

# Shaking up regional seats

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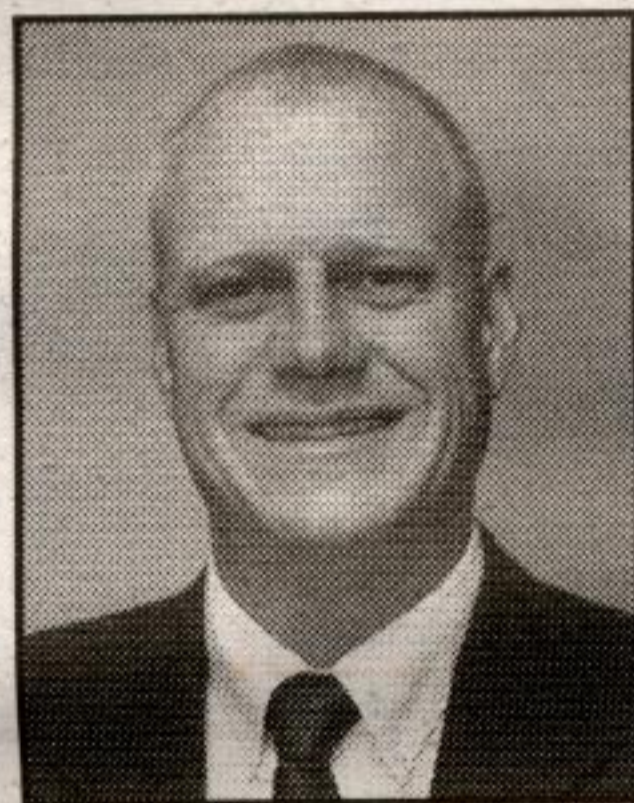
While it may seem that Ontario has been embroiled in one election after another, November 10th's municipal election finally brings the season to an end. While stalwarts like Milton's Mayor Gord Krantz and Regional Councillor Barry Lee will remain on hand to offer advice and support to Regional Chairman Joyce Savoline, Halton Regional Council will see a few familiar and a few new faces around the table at its inauguration ceremony on December 3.

Barry Lee, who has served on Council for over 12 years comments that, "This will be the biggest turnover I've ever seen." There were five vacant seats on the Council up for grabs in the recent election.



Barry Lee

Oakville saw two of its Regional Councillors, Kurt Franklin and Kevin Flynn, forsake municipal politics to represent the Progressive Conservative and Liberal parties in the provincial election. These two seats were filled by Janice Wright, who had previously served as a Town Councillor and newcomer Mike Lansdown.



Clark Somerville

Old is new in Halton Hills, with a mixture of familiar faces in new roles taking part around the Regional Council table. Former Acton Regional Councillor Rick Bonnette will move into his new position as Halton Hills Mayor on December 3. "It will be different role for me, representing all of Halton Hills when I've spent 18 years representing Wards 1 and 2," Mr. Bonnette admits. "But I always went to Regional Council as a Halton Hills Councillor."

Bonnette's vacant seat will be filled by Clark Somerville who has served as an Acton Councillor for the past six years. Missing from Regional Council this term will be incumbent Mayor Kathy Gastle and Regional Councillor John Day, both of whom were defeated by Bonnette in the race for mayor. Day's seat will be filled by former local Councillor Jane Fogal.

Milton will also be sending one new face to the Region on December 3. Former Regional Councillor Rick Malbouef relinquished his seat during his unsuccessful campaign for Milton Mayor. This seat will be filled by long-time

local Councillor Ron Furik.

"I'm very excited about this new Council," says Chairman Joyce Savoline. "Four of the five were local councillors so there's experience in local politics and the fifth, Mike Lansdown, brings



Ron Furik

extensive experience in community work and the political processes. They should all move quickly into their roles, given their experience."

Councillor Barry Lee, who was acclaimed, laughingly commented that perhaps no one else wanted his job, before remarking on the positive aspects of the new Councillors. "New

blood never hurts," he said. "I'm looking forward to working with whoever shows up and I hope that they can bring added experience in other areas to the table that some of us don't have."



Jane Fogal

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