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Frantic search

Lifeguards and hundreds of beach-goers waded through the shallow waters of Kelso Sunday afternoon (at approximately 4 p.m.) for more than 20 minutes in search of a missing six-year-old girl. She was later found safe and sound in another section of the waterfront area.

Halton wants out of chlorine battle

By BRAD REAUME
The Champion

Halton Region has gone AWOL in the battle to remove chlorine from Milton water.

Despite protests by Milton Councillor Colin Best, members of the health and social services committee agreed Tuesday to take no further action in the fight to have chlorine removed from Milton's water supply. Mr. Best pleaded with committee members not to turn away from the problem because Halton Region's support on the issue could be critical in securing a solution on the floor of the provincial legislature.

Noting the people of Milton were owed a status report, Halton Chair Joyce Savoline tried to put the best spin on the committee's recommendation, saying the region still stands behind its application to have water standards amended. The new position of Halton Region is simply to take no further action, she said.

"The committee's position has no bearing on the political process," she said. "We have to show the people of Milton what we did and what the response was."

Attempts to resolve the problem through the Ministry of Environment have run into a bureaucratic wall. Milton was invited to apply for an exemption to the

regulations, however, drinking water standards do not allow for such exemptions.

Attempting to solve the problem in another way, ministry officials requested that Halton Region take on any legal liability stemming from granting an exemption. Halton Region has



"I still get comments weekly on this issue. There is a great deal of anger out there."

Colin Best

refused to accept that responsibility, claiming the province should simply change the standards.

"The ministry is hamstrung by their own rules and regulations," said Ms Savoline. "They are not prepared to

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NEWSLINES

A summer concert in the park

The Milton chapter of the Ontario Academy of Music will host their annual summer concert this Saturday, June 21 at Victoria Park.

All are welcome to attend the event, which begins at 12:30 p.m. Local musicians will perform a variety of tunes on keyboards and guitars. A few vocal numbers will be added in the mix.

A picnic lunch and a lawn chair will help area residents fully enjoy an afternoon of musical entertainment.

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Campbell gets a wrist slap

The head of Choose Life Canada and leader of a Milton-based religious group was fined \$100 for protesting outside a Toronto abortion clinic.

Reverend Ken Campbell, president of Choose Life Canada and outspoken leader of Renaissance Canada, was found guilty of obstructing a police officer in Ontario Court (provincial division) in Toronto Tuesday.

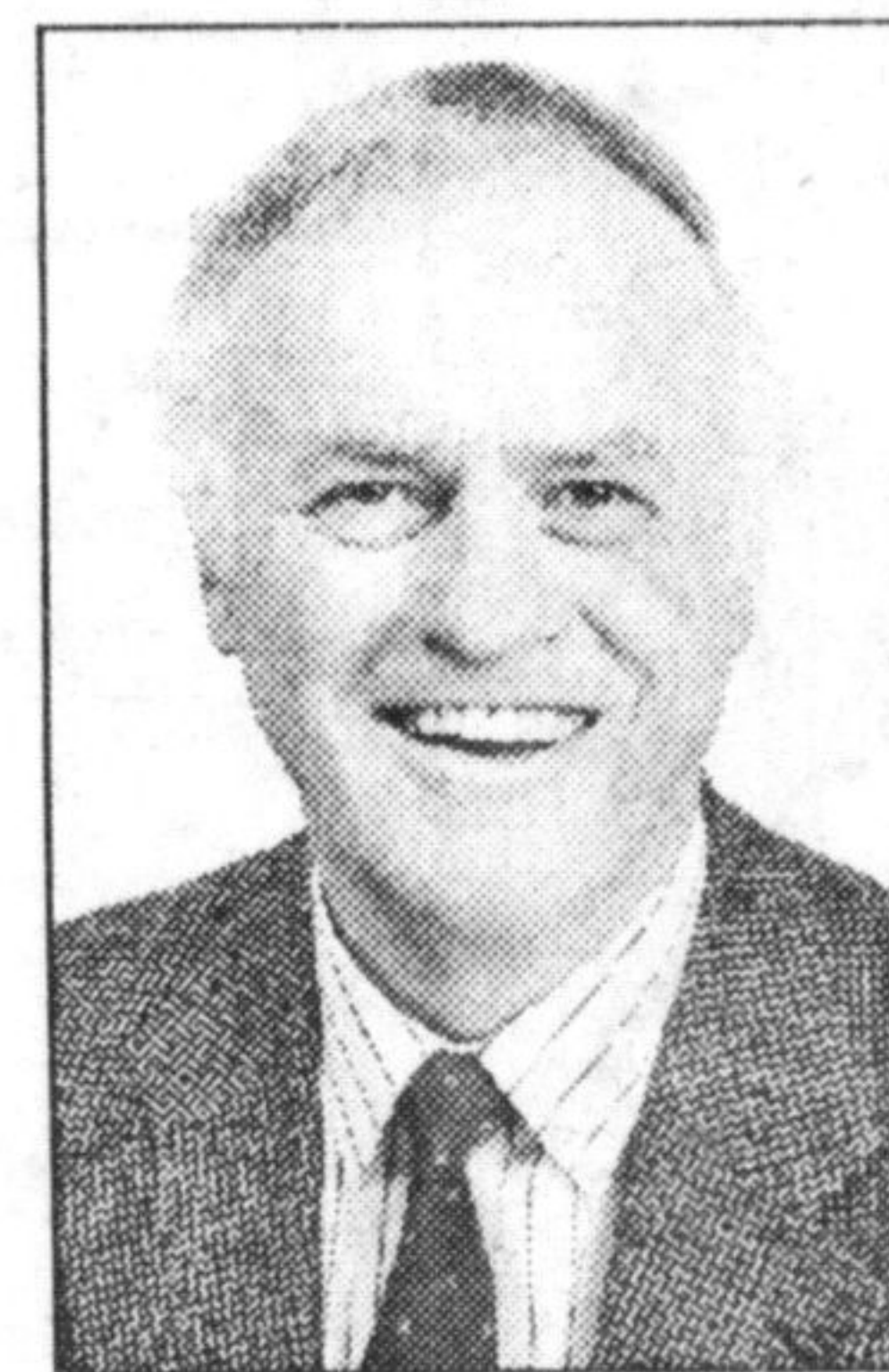
In a press release, Rev. Campbell called the ruling "a token \$100 fine," noting that the judge rejected the Crown's request for a jail sentence or a two-year suspended sentence with probationary conditions.

Rev. Campbell was arrested January 22 after he refused to leave an area outside the Scott Clinic on Gerrard Street, contrary to a court injunction.

He was praying alongside abortion protester Linda Gibbons when a Metropolitan Toronto police officer told the pair to leave.

Toting a sign in support of Ms Gibbons, Rev. Campbell said the two were given three warnings to move along or be arrested, but both refused to budge.

A court injunction bans protesters from the immediate area of the clinic.



Ken Campbell

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