

# Local company gives Oakville clock a striking facelift

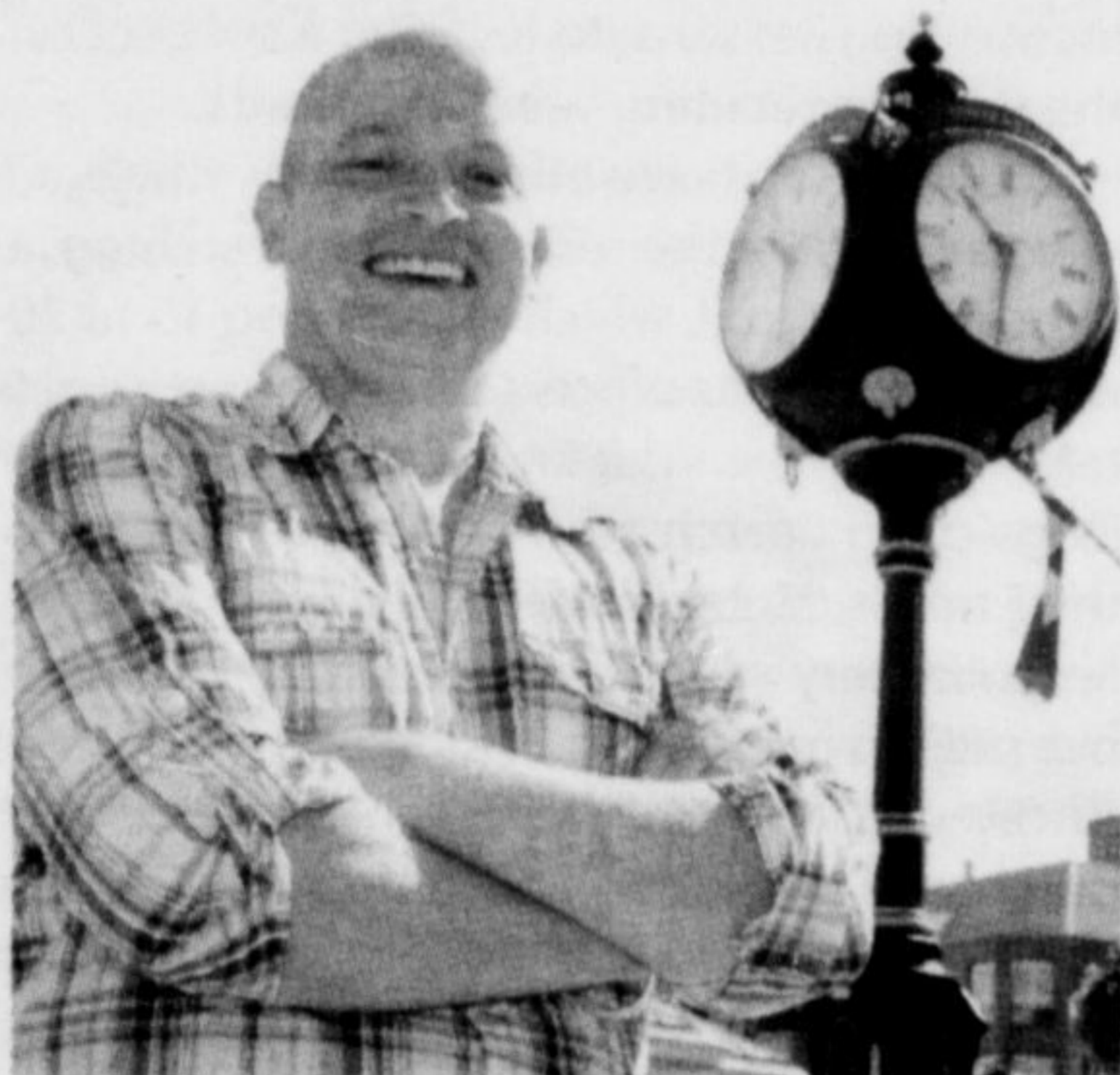
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SPECIAL TO THE CHAMPION

Oakville's Millennium Clock Tower has had a facelift — thanks to a Milton company. After 15 years, the Towne Square's tower clock was looking a little haggard so a painting contracting company gave it a make-over.

"The Canadian weather and sun exposure, and all the other elements, faded the clock over the past 15 years," said Ed Forte, president of CIP industrial/commercial painting contractors of Milton.

"All the gold accents were worn off over the years," he said. "All the lettering had basically disappeared. There really wasn't much gold left."

Earlier this summer, Forte's workers got to work on the refurbishing project with the



final touch-up applied in early August. "There was also some corrosion that was

of Oakville for the past 25 years. When it became known the Town wanted the clock to be spruced up, Forte submitted a proposal and his bid was accepted.

"The Town wanted it done before the long weekend so we fortunately had great weather and we managed to do the job," he said. Forte has so far received a lot of positive feedback.

"Some people actually thought it was a completely new clock," he said. "One person said they thought they liked the old one better."

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