Night enrolment up 125 in North Halton

Night school enrolment in Halton increased by 1,126 students last year over 1974 according to a report from John Boich, superintendent of program, submitted to Halton Board of Education, Thursday.

In North Halton there were 125 more students taking adult education courses last year and there were increases in enrolment both in Milton and Acton. There was a decrease in the number of students in Georgetown.

Milton High School has 164 more night school pupils last year and seven more classes. In 1973-74 there were 411 students spread over 20 classes and that figure climbed to 575 pupils in 35 classes last year.

The number of night school students taking courses in Acton jumped from 312 in 1973-74 to 350 last year. There was also two more night classes at Acton High School last year.

Enrolment in night school in Georgetown slumped from 760 in 1973-74 to 677 last year. At the same time there was an increase of two in the number of classes.

Milton also leads the way in night school enrolment growth over the past six years.

When the program began in 1969 there were 124 students in adult education in Milton and enrolment has grown by 451 pupils over the six year time period.

In Georgetown enrolment has swelled by 368 over the past six years after a 1969 enrolment of 319.

Night school began in 1970 in Acton with 100 students and has now grown by 256 to 356.

In Milton the most popular programs were in the area of general interest courses in which 404 students were registered, an increase of 84 pupils over 1973-74. There were 68 students involved in family studies, 52 in special seminars and 51 in high school credit courses.

General interest courses also proved to be the most popular aspect of the night school program in Georgetown. At the same time these courses experienced a 160 person drop in enrolment, from 525 in 1973-74 to 365 last year. Enrolment in high school credit courses plunged from 102 in 1973-74 to 55 last year.

There were increases in enrolment for Georgetown in both the special seminar program and family studies. Enrolment jumped by 140 in the two program areas.

There were 21 fewer people registered in general interest programs in Acton last year when 250 people were enrolled in these courses. Two more people took credit courses and family studies climbed from a 1973-74 enrolment of 26 to 36 last year. There were 53 people involved in the special seminars conducted in Acton last year, the first year they were offered.

Teachers think Tom's terrific!

Ramautarsingh first recipient of new award

Tom Ramautarsingh, a past president of the Halton Chapter of the Ontario Secondary School Teachers' Federation, is the first Halton recipient of the S. G. B. Robinson Memorial Award, for outstanding service to teachers.

Ramautarsingh, president of the Halton OSSTF for two years, was chosen for the award by the over 1,000 members of the Halton district. The award is a memorial of Dr. S. G. B. Robinson, first general secretary of the OSSTF and it was struck by the Federation's Provincial Executive Council in June, 1974.

Purpose of the new award is to identify and honor those who have achieved a high standard of service to the secondary school teachers through their organization. Only one Robinson award can be given annually by a district.

An outspoken advocate of teachers' rights, Ramautarsingh twice was elected president of the Halton OSSTF, despite a challenge to his leadership from teachers who felt his sometimes abrasive relations with the Board of Education were damaging the profession. He won easy victories.

Ramautarsingh also achieved the distinction of receiving the Provincial Award of Merit in 1973, the highest award members of the 34,000-member OSSTF can give a practicing teacher.

He received his M.A. in History at Wilfrid Laurier University in 1972 and his Master of Education (University of Toronto) in 1974.

A Georgetown high school teacher, Tom Ramautarsingh has also been active at the provincial level including the Ontario Association for Curriculum Development, Ontario Research Council, Reading '75, '76 (York University), Assisting the Curriculum Branch, Ministry of Education in assessing and reviewing books which are added to the official Ministry of Education booklist.

In his earlier career, he has been among other things, secretary to the Interim School Organization Committee for the Ontario Teachers' Federation before the inception of county boards, delegate to two youth conferences, one in London, England, and the other in Berlin, Germany.

FORMER HALTON Hills engineer Peter Morris says there is room for improvement at the region as far as works matters are concerned.

Morris says

Halton Hills working region must improve

According to former Halton Hills engineer Peter Morris there is room for improvement at the region and he thinks problems in Halton can be laid on the province's doorstep.

Reviewing the time he was in Halton Hills, Morris said "There are problems with the region but I don't think it is the staff's fault or the local and regional councils' fault. Its the fault of the system. I don't think the way the region was set up was the most efficient."

Among the problems at the regional level which have affected his department are the long length of time required to get an answer from the region on a problem, and duplication.

"The region was required to take on things, by legislation, which they don't have the staff to handle," Morris said in a recent interview. He added water and sewer service is a good example of something the region was forced to take over but can't operate efficiently.

"Halton Hills is working well but I think there is room for improvement at the region. The biggest problem this department has had since regionalism is reorganizing into Halton Hills and fitting in with the region programs. The reorganizing hasn't been completely successful but at the same time it hasn't been a flop either."

Morris quit working for the town Friday and has now taken a job with Wimpey Homes and works at their westend Toronto office. He will commute to Toronto and keep his Wilson Court home in Georgetown.

He was hired as engineer for Georgetown in August of 1973 and prior to that was the engineer in Dundas, Ontario, for two years. Morris worked for the Borough of Scarborough as an advanced studies engineer before going to Dundas. An engineering graduate from the University of Toronto, he has also worked for the Ministry of Transportation and Communications as a surveryer.

Morris and his family from England came to Canada when he was 20-months-old and lived in Vancouver for five years before moving to Toronto.

He listed storm sewer work and reconstruction of Sargeant Road, reconstruction of the Eighth and Ninth Lines and storm sewer work in Acton among the accomplishments of the works department under his leadership. Morris added that reconstruction of Church Street in Acton, work on Raylawn Crescent, Rexway Drive and Normandy Boulevard in Georgetown and culvert work in Esquesing were other important projects completed or at least started while he was the town's engineer.

Lots of staff changes

Halton Board of Education approved a number of personnel moves Thursday which will affect the teaching staffs at a number of Acton and area schools.

Sharon Watson is leaving Brookville school and John Dodd and Karen Knickle have been hired to teach at the school.

Joan McDonald and Linda MacDonald are leaving Limehouse school while Kristine Hannon, Pat Alter, Donna White, and Moi Heng Ng are joining the staff.

Robert Little school has three new teachers coming to the school next fall, Paul Kirby, Jacqueline Gardner, and Martha Pitts.

Jacqueline MacFarlane has joined the teaching staff at Stewarttown school and Isabelle Weaver has been hired at Speyside school.

Carl Cayer and James May are leaving Acton High school and Jennifer Lee, Wayne Bridle and Eugene Kriksciunas are joining the staff.

Ann Thyret has been transferred from Speyside school to Limehouse school. Limehouse school teacher Carol Lawson has been granted a leave of absence.

SANDY CHAMBERLAIN, R.R. 4 Acton, adjusts a shining white Stetson as King waits patiently for the next class at the Bayshore Pony Club Show last Sunday. The event attracted a host of fine horses and riders to compete in the beautiful new show ring at Al Hage Farms. Glen Williams.

Liberals executive

Oakville school teacher Walter Elliot got the nod as president of the Halton Federal Liberal Association at the group's annual meeting.

Other executives include Oakville's Slim Streek as executive vice president, vice-president Don Whitfield of Oakville, vice-president Laurie Harris of Georgetown, secretary Ernie Zechman of Oakville and treasurer Bob Loree of Oakville.

Secretaries in the Oakville riding office are Liz McDermott and Jane Ann Lloyd.

M-m-m good

Barbecued chicken was a delicious item at the July 1 festivities at Prospect park, Tuesday night.

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Driver ed. part of adult courses

Halton Board of Education decided Thursday to make driver training part of the its adult education program.

Superintendent of Program John Boich told the board regular school based driver education programs are running into problems with time, staff and facilities.

The board decided that as of the first of this month driver education will be operated by the adult education department.

In addition, the board decided means must be found to make all mini-courses offered through community schools self-sustaining and that the parents participating in the courses should bear the cost. The mini-courses will be administered through the adult education department.

New road link 403 and 401

The possibility of a road known as Dorval Way, connecting Highway 403 and 401, just south of 401 at the Fourth Line, was announced to Halton Hills planning board, in an indirect way, Tuesday night.

A letter from the town of Milton informed the board, an industrial area between 401 and Five Sideroad, and both sides of Highway 25, would be zoned an industrial area if an amendment to the Milton Official Plan is adopted. Part of this area was in the former township of Esquesing before the reshuffling of the boundaries.

The letter asked if Halton Hills agreed with the proposed amendment.

Councillor Ernie Sykes said Dorval Way would come into Halton Hills at the Fifth Line.

Planner Mario Venditti said there was a possibility of a cloverleaf at 401, and the Fifth Line

Councillor Harry Levy said Halton Hills should know what they plan to do in the southern end of the town before agreeing to this amendment.

"If this Dorval Way runs into Halton Hills why haven't we been informed about it?" asked Sykes.

Planner Mario Venditti was asked to meet with Milton and Provincial representatives to gain more information.

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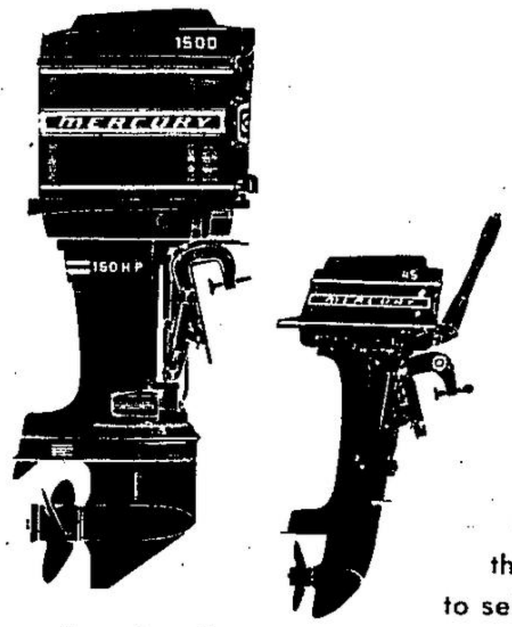

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