



The summer reading club for children wound up Thursday afternoon with a party and awards ceremony at Acton Library. Michele de Braux, left, received a gift for reading the most books, 41. Maureen McNeill was the youngest reader and Karen Venieria was the second youngest reader.

Let region control school board budget

Oakville Councillor Ron Planche has suggested Region Council consider taking over budget approval of the Halton Board of Education or let the Board go out and collect its own taxes.

Mr. Planche made the request on the suggestion of former board trustee Dick Goodin who said he was concerned the board needs \$103 million for 49,000 students now, compared to the \$28 million it needed for 51,000 students when the board was formed.

"Essentially, the suggestion that Mr. Goodin makes is that the Provincial Act be amended to either let the

Region have budgeting approval of the education budget, or let the school board collect its own taxes," Mr. Planche said.

He said the first proposal already has precedent with the police budget, children's aid

society, and conservation authorities.

"Also, many years ago local councils did have a say over the capital budget areas," he said.

Mr. Planche said the second idea would be more costly than the present setup of including

the education levy with the region levy, "but the trustees are not perceived as being responsible for the increase."

Currently about 50 per cent of the regional levy goes to the board of education

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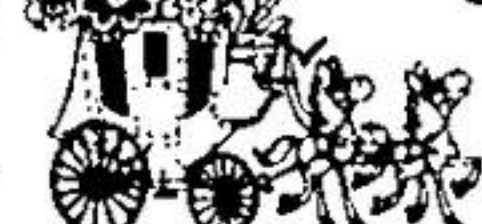
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More stop signs

Halton Hills will be getting some new three-way stop signs even though one of the town's representatives on Regional Public Works Committee says they don't work.

Halton Hills had asked for the signs to be installed, and as they are on town roads, they must be automatically approved by Halton Region.

Councillor Mike Armstrong told other members of the committee he is convinced stop signs "don't stop accidents."

He said this conclusion is based on his own research.

Agreeing with him was Councillor Bill Johnson who said, "people see them, but they don't."

"It's like looking in a drawer for a pair of socks."

"You can't see them but your wife comes over and takes them from the drawer right in front of your eyes."

"You see it, but you don't," he said.

Wins trip

Ben and Lea Douglas of Limehouse will have a free holiday in Florida and at the same time know they helped fight Muscular Dystrophy.

Lea Douglas' name was flashed across the screen during the Jerry Lewis Telethon on Labor Day weekend as a winner in the "Help My Kids" Loblaws project.

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