

Dairy farm resident named 2001 Fall Fair Ambassador

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Growing up on a dairy farm gave Amy Winter first-hand experience about the agricultural industry.

And that experience paid off Wednesday when she took home the crown and sash as the 2001 Milton Fall Fair Ambassador.

Ms Winter competed against another young woman from Milton at Hugh Foster Hall.

"I've never competed before (for the Fall Fair Ambassador)," the 18-year-old said. "My friends had (competed) before and my family is involved with the fair. It looked like fun."

As part of the competition, the girls were asked questions by three judges and gave speeches.

"I spoke about the (Halton) 4-H and the fall fair," said Ms Winter, who's also an active member of the Halton Junior Farmers Association and is a junior director for the Milton fair.

"I was asked how I felt about Youth Day and I said it was a really good idea because it exposes kids to different types of agriculture."

When her name was announced as the winner of the 2001 Milton Fall Fair Ambassador competition, she said she "was surprised and just sat there and smiled."

"I thought she (other competitor) did a very good job," Ms Winter said. "She made it a difficult competition. But I enjoyed it."

Because she won the competition, she won't be eligible to compete again for the ambassador title.

"Once you win, you can't enter again."

As the 2001 Milton Fall Fair Ambassador, Ms Winter will tour the fair September 21, 22 and 23 and place ribbons on the winning animals.

And next year she'll gear up represent the Halton Agricultural Society at the C.N.E.'s Ambassador of the Fairs Competition in Toronto.

"Everyone in Ontario who won their (town) fair competition will compete against each other," she said. "I'm not worried about it yet."

Upon graduating from Milton District High School at the end of this school year, Ms Winter plans to attend university to study agricultural business.



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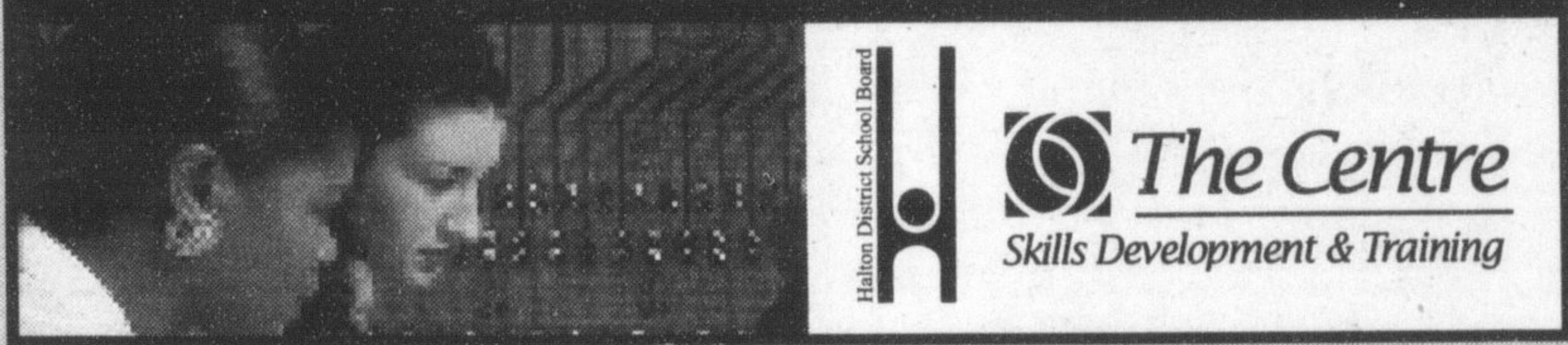
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