

More women are becoming vice-principals

Women teachers have made major strides into positions of added responsibility with the Halton Board of Education in the past four years.

The progress is most pronounced in the position of elementary school vice-principal where the number has climbed from 10 to 21 between 1984 and 1988.

At the elementary level, women make up 72.4 per cent of the teaching staff and now hold 52.5 per cent of the vice-principal's jobs compared to 29 per cent in 1984, according to board statistics.

The relative improvement in the number of principalships is almost as great. In 1984, there were six female principals, forming nine per cent of the total. Now there are 13 making up 19 per cent of the total.

Their combined representation at the elementary level is 34 of 109 positions or 31 per cent.

Female representation in positions of responsibility at the secondary level has traditionally been higher than at the elementary level in comparison with the number of teachers.

Here 39.5 per cent of the teachers are female. In 1984, they held 19.5 per cent of the positions of responsibility. This year they held 24.5 per cent.

The number of female vice-principals increased from six to nine during that period and principals went from two to four. This converts to a total of 13 of the 53 positions of responsibility available.

Overall, females make up 57.3 per cent of Halton Board of Education teaching staff in both panels and they hold 29 per cent of the principals' and vice-principals' positions, up from 17 per cent in 1984.

The application-selection process

for vice-principals in the 1987-88 school year continued to show a trend toward more women in this position.

At the elementary level, 17 of the 28 vice-principal applicants were women and six of the nine selected were women.



Tyler Koshurba sits on the oak hall seat which earned him fifth place in a national woodworking contest.

Winning woodworker credits shop teacher

A large oak hall seat, with a bevelled octagonal mirror is Tyler Koshurba's most ambitious woodworking project to date.

But all the hard work payed off for the 19-year-old E.C. Drury student, who recently received \$100 for placing fifth in the senior division of the nation-wide eleventh annual Stanley Tools Woodworking Project Contest.

Tyler has taken woodworking class at the high school since Grade 9, and credits his teacher Dave Lawrence with providing him with the knowledge to complete the hall seat that won him the prize.

The piece of furniture, which now sits in the Koshurba home, is made of oak, and the seat is lined with cedar for storage.

Tyler designed the project himself, and built and finished it during his woodworking classes over one semester.

The oak for the seat cost Tyler \$150, and the bevelled mirror was \$180.

"In the original design the sides of the seat were more rounded," said Tyler. "But I wanted to give it a more modern look so I made the sides more angular."

To add some detail to the bottom

of the piece Tyler incorporated raised oak panels. He finished the seat in a medium stain.


Although he enjoys woodworking and would like to continue building on a hobby basis, he plans to attend the architecture program at Ryerson next year.

Repair means cleaner water


Lake Ontario water which will eventually be piped to Milton could be cleaner after a sanitary sewer in Oakville is rehabilitated.

The Maple Avenue sewer will cost an estimated \$493,000 to repair, a cost being shared by the provincial government and Halton Region. Environment minister Jim Bradley announced last week that the region would receive a grant of \$165,000 for the project.

This grant is made through the LifeLines infrastructure renewal program which is expected to pump \$330 million into such projects over the next decade. Total cost of these projects is expected to be \$1 billion during the next 10 years.



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