A day through the generations

Continued from page 123

and Georgia Bogert, listened intently as 94-year-old talked about going to movies, hitchhiking and certain tactics she used to win the favour of the groom to be.

I was just trying to hook him, she exclaimed.

It was also Harvey's duty as a student in a schoolhouse just outside Halifax to stoke the fireplace with wood each day, something that would sound almost outlandish to today's youth.

Those were the types of conversations during a new partnership between CtK and Georgetown's Mountainview Residence called A day through the generations, in which students and seniors were paired up and asked to produce a contrasting collage of pictures representing each participant's era.

The interaction took place over four weekly sessions as part of the Grade 12 Human Growth & Development course and at its conclusion, the students were asked to write a letter to their elder collaborator to sum up the experience.

We ve been doing this for a few years but this year we did a pilot version for one of the three sections of the course where instead of the students just interviewing the seniors, we started with collages and they build a relationship from there, said CtK teacher Mark Knowlton.

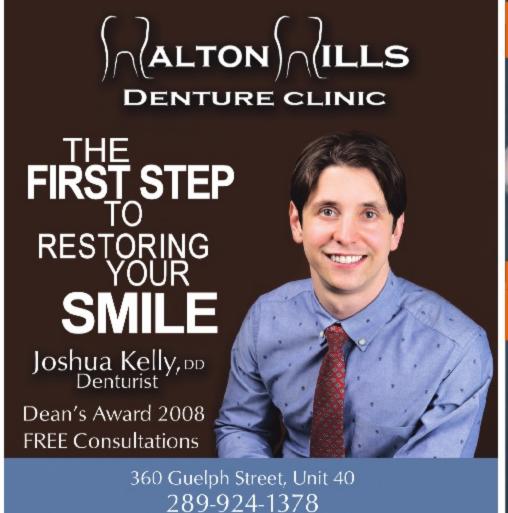
The seniors share what it was like for them to make major life decisions and we ve found that the students appreciate the seniors wisdom about such matters as they make the final transition in preparing for university.

Knowlton said the project was particularly impactful for a terminally ill woman at the residence who was able to show emotional family members the collage containing pictures from her youth.

He added that the school would like to partner with other retirement facilities in the area to possibly expand the program at CtK for next year.

For all the latest news...

www.theIFP.ca



www.haltonhillsdentures.ca





