

SENIORS LIVING

Seniors' stories featured at the library

"Every Picture Tells a Story" is a new local history project at Georgetown Library featuring photos and stories of Halton Hills' seniors.

The first five photos of the project, coordinated by community volunteer Marinela Batulski, were recently unveiled in the Seniors' Lounge on the lower level of the library.

Batulski, a photographer and former graphic designer, brought new life to the photos with the help of digital scrapbooking.

"I thought this was such a great idea," said one of the participants, Florence Riehl. "We have a lot of interesting people here in Halton Hills with great stories to share from our lives."

Her photograph depicts the day in June 1950 when Hanover High School's All Girls Trumpet Band won first place at the Canadian Band Festival in Waterloo.

"It was the happiest day of



Marinela Batulski adjusts a photo on the display, Every Picture Tells a Story, at the Georgetown Library.

my life. The band and our musical director were the reason I stayed in school after Grade 11 and shaped my life the way it is now," said Riehl.

Betty McHale is another area senior who shared a photo for the project. Photography was always a passion for her and she was very happy to pull together some of her

old pictures to share with others.

Other seniors who have shared their memories are Neville Palmer, Sandy Loke and John Daley.

The project will continue with rotating new pictures every month. Seniors interested in sharing their photo memories are asked to contact Batulski at 289-314-4425.

Photo by Jon Borgstrom

Town offers activities for Seniors Month

The Town will be offering events at both Georgetown and Acton senior centres and libraries next month as part of Seniors Month. All older adults are encouraged to come out.

The month of June is a time for seniors to celebrate their lives and the many ways they continue to make their communities a better place to live.

This year's theme is "The Art of Living."

"Seniors are such an important part of our community," said Halton Hills Mayor Rick Bonnette. "Through their volunteer work, their leadership in the community and their inspiration to our young people."

Activities in Georgetown are planned for June 13 and 14 and in Acton on June 25 and 26.

For more information visit www.haltonhills.ca/seniors.

World Elder Abuse Aware-

ness Day will be recognized on Thursday, June 13. Everyone is encouraged to wear something purple that day to show they care about ending elder abuse and neglect. Everyone is welcome to come out to the seniors centres in Acton or Georgetown for tea and coffee and awareness gathering that day beginning at 10 a.m.

Seniors scam alert

Halton Police are warning seniors to be cautious of phone calls from people claiming to be with the Heart and Stroke lottery or Mega-Millions.

Seniors are reminded not to provide anyone with personal information over the telephone unless they initiate the call themselves.

For more information on how people can protect themselves from scams and frauds visit the Halton Police website at www.haltonpolice.ca.

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