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Three Musketears Skate Park officially re-opens

By: Dawn Brown

Local residents and politicians all turned out to celebrate the official grand opening and ribbon cutting of The Three Musketears Skate Park in Acton on Wednesday, October 7. The park was relocated as a result of the recent expansion of the Acton Arena and Community

Halton Hills Mayor, Rick Bonnette, spoke of the planning process, and the importance of input from the skate park users. As a result of that input, the bowl feature was added to the design. The mayor also thanked donors and the project team who worked to complete the park on time and on budget.

"It's here, and we did it," Bonnette

The park was built in memory of three youths who died in 2000; Mark Everson, Travis Toth and Rory Dick. Kathy Everson of The Three Musketears Memorial Golf Tournament explained that they had raised \$70,000—\$30,000 donated previously—and another \$40,000 for the new multi-purpose court in memory of Raymond Getty who died in 2003.

The multi-purpose court can act as a basketball court or road hockey space in warm weather, and will be flooded and used an outdoor rink in the winter months.

As well as musical acts, representatives from West 49 in Georgetown and Spokes 'n' Slopes in Acton were on hand to provide demonstrations and give away prizes. Domino's Pizza provided free pizza.



Dawn Brown photos





Josey Bonnette chosen as Acton's 2015 Citizen of the Year

By: Jane Dougan

When Josey Bonnette got a call last week to say she was Citizen of the Year 2015, she was "blown away, totally surprised. I didn't know I'd been nominated. It means the world to me, and it's such a humbling experience. There are Rotary looks after the so many other people more deserving.'

Josey is the tenth woman to be so-honoured since the Acton Rotary Club began its Citizen of the Year (COY) Award in 1958. As Rotary president Dick Crane explains, process - a responsibility chaired this year by Rotarian Nancy Wilkes - but nominations come from the community at large. The winner is selected by an undisclosed committee made-up of three previous COY's. Long-time Rotarian Bill Beaton has seen first-hand how seriously the committee takes this responsibility. The winner must exemplify the altruistic Rotary axiom, 'Service before Self'.

Nancy Wilkes has no doubt that ex-BIA (Business Improvement Area) Chair Josey Bonnette demonstrates such service. "Josey has always gone above and beyond for Acton, way more than her already-extensive

mandate with the BIA. She's volunteered with numerous local boards and organizations from the Salvation Army Kettle Campaign to the Georgetown Hospital Committee. I've never met a more tireless worker and champion for Acton. If anything can bring a spotlight to Acton or give it a greater voice, Josey's there making it happen. Just after retirement, already she's joined the Heritage Acton board."

Josey confirms that helping support Heritage Acton has long been on her bucket list, along with other pro-Acton initiatives she "didn't had time to do before. I grew up in Acton. I love my community, its small town spirit. People saying 'hello' to one another on the street, helping their neighbour."

Josey will be honoured at a Citizen of the Year Award Dinner November 10 at the Acton Town Hall.







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