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Memorial garden for late Mike West unveiled



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Mike West's longtime companion, Joy Haynes (seated, second from right), and many family members were on hand for the unveiling of the memorial garden Sunday.

By Robin Downton-Poirier
SPECIAL TO THE CHAMPION

Friends and family gathered in the sunshine in front of the Nassagaweya Community Centre on Guelph Line Sunday for the unveiling of the memorial for Mike West, a long-time dedicated volunteer and Nassagaweya resident who passed away in November 2004.

The memorial is a fitting tribute to honour West's memory and the legacy he has left in Nassagaweya, said Jean Woods, chair of the Nassagaweya Community Consultation Committee (NCCC).

"Mike was loved and respected by so many people in the community and worked so hard, always with Nassagaweya's best interests in mind," she said.

"He was a naturalist, loved nature and the outdoors, so we chose to install this little garden area (where he used to come out for a cigarette), in his honour, to commemorate all that he has done for our community."

West was the chair of the NCCC for 11 years before his

death. He gave his time and efforts to many groups and causes in the Nassagaweya area, was instrumental in building a strong relationship between the community and Halton Regional Police, and initiated several programs that benefited Nassagaweya residents.

The 15-square-metre garden has been completed with a Nassagaweya rock, interlock stone, a bench, shrubs and a

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7:00 - 9:00 pm

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