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to revive the sport, and are proving positive. Plus people, including adults, have signed up for youth Softball League in a ceremony to launch the league last week was both exciting, with Mr. Softobs throwing out the first pitch. There was also the late Kevin Powers, a husiast who died tragically.

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**SPORTSBEAT**

**aims baseball title**  
Ildogs mosquito AA team captured the Mary memorial Invitational base-ment in Corner Brook, team went undefeated illee. Field en route to the tip. The Compass spoke im's coach about some of es from the tournament ressions of how his team

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## A gift of gratitude

*Dr. Leslie A. Wells makes unique donation to Carbonear*



Photo by Terry Roberts/The Compass

Dr. Leslie A. Wells poses in front of the nearly eight-foot tall armillary sphere sundial he donated to the Town of Carbonear last week. The presentation took place on the same day — July 10 — as his 87th birthday.

By **TERRY ROBERTS**  
THE COMPASS

A respected surgeon who holds a special place in his heart for this region has made good on a commitment to give something back to the town that gave him so much during his 30-plus year medical career in Conception Bay North.

Dr. Leslie A. Wells, looking spry and energized on what was his 87th birthday, presided over a unique ceremony on the grounds of The Railway Station Museum in Carbonear on July 10.

With the help of his son, Andrew Wells, Mayor Sam Slade and Brian O'Grady, the town's director of operations and public works, Dr. Wells pulled down a tarp to reveal a nearly eight-foot tall armillary sphere sundial, thought to be the first of its kind in this province.

Wells hopes the sundial will serve as a tourist attraction, and also an educational tool for students.

Fabricated from steel and aluminum, the sundial was the culmination of a nine-month project led by Andrew, who has held what he described as a "strange fascination" with these centuries-old devices that determines time by the position of the sun.

And the timing of the unveiling couldn't have been better, with a cloudless sky allowing the sun to shine down with its full force on the rod-like gnomon, which forms the axis of the sphere, and cast the time-telling shadow on the equatorial ring.

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## Regatta marking

