

**CITATION FOR DOUG LOVEGROVE
VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR 2010**

Doug Lovegrove has worked in leadership roles and on individual projects to make this community a better place. His thoughtful and caring attitude, good humour and genuine warmth for others have welcomed strangers to this community and encouraged others to be more active in community affairs. He is an inspiration for all volunteers.

Doug has been an active member of the Verona Festival committee and Steering committee since the inception sixteen years ago. He managed several duties such as the original festival web site, construction of the entrance kiosks, banners and flags, conducted visitor surveys, assisted with the logistics of setting up and taking down, managed the advertisement and promotion, was active on the Steering committee and was chair for the festival for several years. Presently he manages a well run and innovative recycle waste management system for this event. His leadership style and attention to detail welcomes and mentors others and makes sure that our new Festival volunteers gain confidence through his support and encouragement.

Doug has led a very active volunteer life. Here are just a few of the things he has done in the past. He is a retired member of the Canadian Armed Forces, former director of a culture centre (High River, Alberta), director of a tourism board (High River, Alberta), director and vice president of the Verona Business Association, director of the Verona/Bell Rock Policing Committee, coordinator of the Verona and Area Neighbourhood Watch, President of the PCPS Home and School, reporter for the Triangle “Neighbour to Neighbour”, and columnist for the Triangle “Compute with Me”.

Doug is also active in other Verona Community Events such as the annual Christmas Tree Lighting held every November at McMullen Park.

Doug is a proud member of the “Wednesday Breakfast Club” that originated when the new village signs were under construction in 2009. He and his wife Debbie, volunteered many hours on this project. Doug is very active in all the projects that the Wednesday Breakfast Club undertakes.

We have learned that whatever the project, one need only turn to Doug and he will always be there to help.

Doug also runs his own successful Computer Business and has run many teaching computer programs through CFDC geared towards the public understanding computers and websites.

Doug has endeared himself to our community. We deeply appreciate his years of volunteer service and proudly recommend him for this prestigious award.