CITATION FOR BOB HARDING VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR 2011

Bob Harding initially became part of Scouting partly to spend time with his two sons, who grew up through the top levels, receiving Chief Scout Awards.

His boys benefited from their father's guidance but were not handed this award. Instead, Bob made sure his sons put forth full effort and learned the necessary skills for success.

Over the years, Bob served as a Beaver Leader, Cub Leader, and Scout Leader. He also served for a few years in the local Scouting Group Committee.

Since 2006, Bob has been the Assistant Group Commissioner for the South Frontenac Scouting Group.

In 1997, Bob took 10 South Frontenac youth to a Canadian Scout Jamboree in Thunder Bay, Ontario. Two years later, he took six local youth to a World Jamboree in Santiago, Chile. He even made the extra effort of learning Spanish to allow himself and his charges to feel more comfortable in a country foreign to them.

Bob has been part of South Frontenac Scouting since 1989, taking local Scouting youth to great distances for jamborees.

Bob continues to support, educate, advise and organize the Beavers, Cubs, Scouts and Venturer groups in South Frontenac.

Parents can thank Bob Harding for helping to educate their children in the ways of Baden Powell; respecting nature, respecting themselves and others, while learning to work as a team member. Under Bob's guidance and leadership, and in keeping with the Scouting philosophy, youth develop into strong and honest contributing members of society.

We wish to thank Bob Harding for his many contributions to Scouting in this community by recognizing him as a Volunteer of the Year.

Bob was also involved in the early years of the Sydenham Lake Canoe Club serving as Vice-Commodore for six years.

He helped to write the Club Constitution for incorporation as well as organizing several regattas, including a Master's Regatta as a fund raiser for "Racing Against Drugs" program.

Bob was involved in the local Ducks Unlimited Canada for approximately eleven years, achieving the "Distinguished Service Award." He served as a volunteer at Ducks Unlimited Kingston Fall Banquet and as Chairman of the Kingston Spring Banquet.

Bob attended Sydenham's Grace United Church and was an Elder and Steward.

Bob is an avid runner having engaged in some grueling foot races and has served as a course volunteer for the last four years at the Sydenham Fall Run.

Bob is not a boastful person. Instead he quietly and steadfastly commits himself to his community through volunteering his time in many organizations and activities. He is described as someone who does not look for recognition or accolades for his good deeds, but that "he simply just does it."

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