

CITATION FOR RONALD MATTEY VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR 2008

Mr. Matthey is presently the Chairman of the Buck Lake Community Watch which he co-founded in 1997. In this capacity, he forms committees of executive members and contact persons, establishes fan-out telephone systems for emergencies, and liaises with the OPP. Ron has travelled over the Township giving information seminars on home protection.

Ron is also the Chairman of the Perth Road Alliance Community Watches and assists other groups in forming local watches.

Ron has been the lead volunteer for the OPP Biennial telephone survey on three occasions, donating up to ten hours per week of his time over a four to six week period each time.

Ron volunteers every month with the Kingston Region Seniors Association, and transposes written material onto CD's for the visually impaired; is vice chair of the Associations Programs Committee; leads a group of senior writers that produce both prose and poetry; and is a lead instructor of one of the wood carving groups at the Association, donating about 30 hours per month to these tasks.

Ron was Chairman of the South Frontenac Safe Roads Committee for 2 years until the committee was dissolved.

Ron has also donated his time and skills as a wood worker to the Perth Road Crafters Association to repair and renovate the Perth Road Community Hall, by rebuilding the upper and lower cabinets that form the kitchen area of the hall, painting walls and ceilings and other repairs tasks as needed.

In Ron's capacity as Chairman of the Buck Lake Community Watch, Ron is also responsible for an annual Buck Lake Boatilla which in the past four years has succeeded in bring the community together in a common goal which includes socializing and appreciating the splendours of south Frontenac's natural wonders. Ron has been instrumental in getting members of the community to contribute \$26,000.00 (to date) to send handicapped children to Easter Seals Camp Merrywood where disabled children can enjoy for 10 days what Buck Lakers take for granted all year long.