



# Aldershot Community Honour Roll 2011 *Pat Baldry*

Seniors' Chair, Aldershot Community Council. Organized computer lessons, initiated walking groups and planned day bus trips for seniors.

Vendor Coordinator, Aldershot Community Festival. Initiated 'Hospitality Tent' in appreciation of vendors & volunteers.

Editor, 'Partnering Aldershot Press', community newspaper.

Organized 'Lunch & Learn' series for Aldershot seniors.

Edited and printed Burlington Horticultural Society Newspaper.

Dedicated to acts of kindness and helping others.



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## *Edith Duesbury*

Recognized by the Region of Halton for outstanding contributions to community safety as a school crossing guard in Aldershot for 28 years.

Committed youth leader through service as Brown Owl Leader and Girl Guide Captain.

Life Member of the Hospital Auxiliary Association of Ontario for nearly 50 years of “*Caring for the Community*”.

Actively canvassed annually for the Canadian Cancer Society.

Volunteer at East Plains United Church.

Tireless community worker who, despite adversity, demonstrated acts of giving, kindness and patience.



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## *Jacob Cooke and William Cooke*

Jacob or “Jake” began making concrete blocks by hand in the 1940s.

“Bill” was born in 1931 and passed away in 2005. He became President of the National Concrete Producers Association and a Director of the Concrete Masonry Association of the United States.

By 1960 Aldershot’s “J. Cooke Concrete Blocks” was the largest automated concrete facility in Canada and the British Empire.

The father and son Cooke team built 900 new homes in the Bay area, many in Aldershot, including “Birdland”, Fairwood Place West, and Oaklands Park Court. They produced concrete slabs and wall panels used in constructing Burlington City Hall, Hamilton Place and the swimming pool at McMaster University.

Bill developed the Cooke Business Park on Cooke Boulevard in Aldershot and provided inspirational leadership in the effort to construct a full interchange at Waterdown Road and Highway 403.