



## **Raise the flag for Scouting's 100th Anniversary.**

**This year marks the 100th Anniversary of the Scouting Movement, founded in England in 1907 by Robert Baden-Powell. Celebrations were held this past week, including the World Jamboree in England, and 11th Canadian Jamboree at Camp Tamaracouta, in Milles-Isles, Quebec.**

**Nine 1st Bradford Scouts attended the Quebec celebration, accompanied by their leaders – but those remaining in Bradford participated in a Flag-raising ceremony at the Bradford Courthouse on July 30th, and a Sunrise Service on August 1st, at Woodland Trails Camp east of Aurora, where they were joined by a group of Scouts from Bradford, England.**

**Among those attending the flag-raising ceremony, raising the flags of Scouting and the 1st Bradford troop, was Dom Duraes. Duraes has been involved in Scouts in his native Portugal since 1958.**

**He came out for the ceremony because Scouting “has been part of my life, big time.” The Scouting movement builds good citizens, Duraes said. “It gives you a sense of responsibility, the relationship with other people, sharing.... Everywhere, the principles of Scouting are the same.**

**“It becomes part of your life, in a good way.”**

**Mayor Doug White urged those gathered to think of “the number of young people that have benefited from it and have become good citizens,” since Scouting began 100 years ago, and told the Scout leaders, “You are an important part of the community.” Leader Joanne Guay read from the farewell message of Lord Baden-Powell, published after his death: “I believe that God put us in this jolly world to be happy and enjoy life. Happiness does not come from being rich, nor merely being successful in your career, nor by self-indulgence. Once step towards happiness is to make yourself healthy and strong... Be contented with what you have got and make the best of it. Look on the bright side of things instead of the gloomy one.**

**“But the real way to get happiness is by giving out happiness to other people.”.**