

## **2009 Patch Recipients**

Madelyn Dunley 10

Sarah Fargiorgio 13

Matthew Yundt 3

Madelyn and her cousins Sarah and Matthew were returning home from the park in July of 2008. Their house is located in a historic part of Milton so bats are a part of the environment. On this particular occasion, somehow a baby bat had ended up on the driveway and was in obvious distress.

Madelyn and her cousins were concerned about the bat and they wanted to help. Sandra Fargiorgio, the parent present, was concerned. She didn't want the kids to contract anything from being around the bat. Madelyn and her cousins came up with the idea to call the shelter to get help for the bat. Officer Barrett attended and the bat was brought to the shelter. We contacted Toronto Wildlife who took in the bat to rehabilitate it and return it to the wild.

Often the animals that have "bad" reputations often are overlooked. Madelyn and her cousins extended their kindness to make sure that the little bat found the help he needed.