

THE COLONEL OF THE REGIMENT

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The Right And Proper Thing To Do • The Volunteer Patricia Program

The Regiment has always voiced the motto “Once a Patricia, Always a Patricia”. In this issue you will see an article and a separate brochure that deals with the Associations initiative to put in place a program to help retired members in need. This is the right and proper thing for the Association to undertake and is long overdue. It is consistent with our motto and our continuing obligation to support members of our Regimental family.

The Volunteer Patricia Program (VPP) was approved by the last Association AGM and



thanks to the special efforts of Major (Retd) John Hunter it is now underway. Although it is a National Association program, it is dependant on the active involvement of all Branches. It needs volunteer coordinators and individuals to act as mentors for those that request assistance. I am certain that you will gain a strong feeling of satisfaction from your involvement in the program.

In many ways this initiative is of the same importance to our Association as the creation of the Hamilton Gault Memorial Fund in 1964. The success of the VP Program will emphasize our belief in the Regimental family and illustrate our compassion for our members. It must be a success. I ask all Branches and Association members to get behind the effort to ensure the program achieves its objectives.

Support the VPP and Volunteer to Help!!

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