



FRIENDS OF THE REGIMENT

References: Nil

AIM

1. The intent of this program is to develop and maintain a group known as the 'Friends of the Regiment' (henceforth 'Friends'). Membership in the 'Friends' is based on support for the Regiment and the promotion of its interests. It is intended as a form of outreach.

SELECTION

2. The adoption of new 'Friends' shall be controlled by the Honoraries. Senate members, the CO, and the CO of the affiliated Cadet Corps can nominate 'Friends', but the decision to appoint rests with the Honoraries. Nominations should come in the form of a one page recommendation. 'Friends' should be chosen on the basis:

- a. Prominence in the community;
- b. Demonstrable level of support for the Regimental family; and
- c. Willingness to be a 'Friend'.

3. The target audience is prominent Canadians or community leaders in the greater Kingston area, potential future Honoraries, and supporters of the Regimental family.

PROCESS

4. The formal adoption of new 'Friends' shall be done only on prominent occasions, including but not limited to:

- a. The annual birthday dinner;
- b. The Vimy Parade;
- c. A Change of Command; and
- d. A Change of Stick.

5. The adoption would occur as a part of the ceremony, and the senior Honorary present would call the individual forward for the presentation with a short speech ending with the citation: "For your support of the Regiment, we award you the title of 'Friend of the Regiment' with full privileges and honours." The individual is then presented a Regimental coin with a handshake, blazer crest, tie and a single gold-plated officer's collar dog (as a lapel pin).

FULL PRIVILEGES AND HONOURS

6. If an individual becomes a 'Friend', they receive the following in addition to the gifts:

- a. A personalized (but not subsidized) invitation to subsequent Regimental mess dinners;



- b. Seating of reasonable prominence at those dinners (i.e. in the centre leg, close to the head table);
 - c. An introduction at the event along with the members of the head table; and
 - d. Their names will be listed on a 'Friends of the Regiment' listing in the Officers' Mess stating their name, rank (if military), post-nominals and the date that they became a 'Friend', i.e. January 2011.
7. 'Friends' may exercise these privileges indefinitely.
 8. Financial support for the gifts will be provided by the PWOR Foundation.



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