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Retirements

Bob Brunet

Bob Brunet has retired from educating paramedics. He taught courses in the Paramedic Program at Algonquin College from 1985-1991 and La Cité Collégiale from 1991-2016.



Norm MacRimmon

After 43.5 years our good friend Norm MacRimmon retires from Cornwall SD&G Paramedic Services. What an accomplishment! Congrats Norm!



Spartan Race

Congrats to Ottawa Paramedics (and friends); Pat Harkin, Allison Huckstep, Loni Pisani, Erin Brown, and Daiva Slenys for completing the grueling Spartan Race on June 18.



Emergency Service Coins

The Royal Canadian Mint just released a collector coin series to commemorate Canadian First Responders. The set of four coins features paramedics, fire fighters, police officers and military personnel. The Paramedic coin was released on June 7.

Alex Reeves, a senior manager at the Royal Canadian Mint states how the design of the paramedic coin was established.

"In the case of the Paramedics coin, the Mint consulted the Paramedic Association of Canada (PAC), who helped us arrive at a mutually acceptable design. You should note that a previous concept of two male paramedics working inside a helicopter was abandoned on the advice of the PAC, since "flight paramedics" are only a small minority of your profession and women represent a significant percentage of Canadian paramedics. Therefore, we showed paramedics working from an ambulance on the recommendation of the PAC and also asked Mr. Ryan to depict both a male and female in his final design."

We want to thank the Royal Canadian Mint for considering to put paramedics to be on these coins!



The "Sweetest" Person at the Civic

Jill from the Civic Hospital is the lovely person who puts a smile on every paramedics face when they see that the candy jar is full! Jill's last day at the Civic was a few weeks ago. We will miss the candy, but we will most importantly miss Jill!



PPAO Welcomes New Paramedics to OPS

Eighteen new Paramedics were recently invited to work for The Ottawa Paramedic Service! Congratulations for your hard work and determination. We are excited to see you on the road soon.



#ParamedicWeek

#ParamedicWeek was yet again, another huge success. Communications Officers worked extremely hard to try to get all crews back to HQ to enjoy the juicy burgers, sausages and numerous snacks.

A whopping \$2700 was purchased for this event. A big thank you to the Algonquin College graduating for donating part to this event as a Thank You to all the preceptors!

All of this couldn't have happened without Gord Perolli along with the help of Sonya Fung (Algonquin College graduate) and all of the student volunteers.



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