

# Volunteers Come from Everywhere

There were more than 200 specially trained volunteers and coaches at this year's 28th National Disabled Veterans Winter Sports Clinic, but anyone can volunteer their talents in a unique fashion.

For instance, in addition to volunteer work to support attending sponsors, Mrs. Lettie Blackburn has been volunteering her gift as an accomplished painter to the clinic for more than 10 years.

Volunteers come from all walks of life. You don't have to be an artist, a coach, a skier or even live close to Snowmass, Colo., and attend the winter sports clinic to volunteer in your community.

I am sure many of you have a talent that could give back to your neighbors who are veterans. Everything from being a volunteer driver, making sure a veteran's grass gets mowed, helping with shopping trips or even just lending a friendly ear are all very important and essential to DAV's spirit of volunteerism.

I urge all of us to look inward and find what our hidden and unrealized talents may be and how we can turn those into benefitting our veteran neighbors in our individual communities.

Veterans stood up for us. Now let's use our individual talents to stand up for them.