

# The Veteran

DELHI TOWNSHIP VETERANS ASSOCIATION

## Chili Fest & Military Exhibit



The Delhi Township Veterans Association is sponsoring a Cincinnati Style Chili Fest and Military Exhibit.

It is all you can eat for \$5.00. Soft drinks will be fifty cents. Carry out prices will be available as well.

Trustee Howard Brinkdoepke will be the chili chef. He is using the recipe from the original Twin Trolley restaurant that his father-in-law owned in Fairmount from 1946-1980. Over the years, Trustee Brinkdoepke has tweaked the recipe to capture the true taste of Cincinnati-Style Chili, which will be at the Chili-Fest.

The Military Exhibit will have items from the civil war through the present day military items. The exhibit is free.

Merchandise will also be available for purchase: hats, shirts, pins, poems, raffle for a chance to win a home thermostat and installation.

We are now on Facebook!

Chili-Fest & Military Exhibit April 17, 2010

Memorial Day Ceremony, May 30, 2010 at 1pm

Anthony Campbell Jr memorial brick addition to the KIA Memorial

Freedom Isn't Free Dance at American Legion Hall June 26, 2010

**Plain! 2 Way! 3Way!**

**4 Way! 5 Way! Coney's!**

**\$5 children 10 years thru adult; \$3 children 3-9 years; FREE for children under 3**

**Saturday, April 17, 2010 11am-6pm**

**Delhi Senior/Community Center 647 Neeb Road**

**Proceeds go towards an additional wall to the Delhi Veterans' Memorial Park's Wall of Honor Monument!!!**  
Sponsored by The Delhi Twp Veterans Association

**Soda 50¢ Carry Out! Prices Separate**

## Free! Military Display Exhibit



For info 319-6244

Website www.delhiveterans.com

### KIA MEMORIAL ADDS ANOTHER BRICK

TSGT Anthony Campbell Jr , 932nd Civil Engineer Squadron Scott AFB, IL and Cincinnati Police Officer, who was killed on December 15, 2009 in Afghanistan will get a memorial brick in his honor laid in the Killed in Action Memorial during the Memorial Day Ceremony on May 30, 2010 at 1pm.

TSGT Campbell lived in Delhi in his youth and his grandparents still reside in Delhi. Campbell left behind his wife, Emily, and 3 children.

Campbell will also have his name engraved on the Wall of Honor Monument in November. Right: Anthony Campbell Jr.



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### VETERANS' DAY CEREMONY

Delhi honored those who served their country on November 8, 2010.

One hundred seventeen names were added to the Wall of Honor Monument. With the addition of these names there are now 1869 names engraved on the monument.

Estimated crowd of three hundred people were in attendance for the ceremony.

Speakers for the event was the Honorable Steve Driehaus, US 1st Congressional District, Honorable Patty Clancy, Hamilton County Clerk of Courts, Shekar Jayaraman, liaison for Ohio Secretary of State Brunner, and non-speaking guest Brewster

Rhoads, liaison for Ohio Governor Strickland.

Mr. Jayaraman presented the Delhi Township Veterans Association a proclamation on behalf of the Ohio Secretary of State for all the work the Delhi Veterans have done for the veterans' cause.

It was a special treat to have Clerk of Court Patty Clancy as a guest to speak. Patty Clancy was instrumental in implementing the grant money in the capital appropriation for the parks that gave us the grant money to create the Veterans' Memorial Park and Wall of Honor Monument.

Congressman Driehaus presented Commander Don Osterfeld a silver star on be-



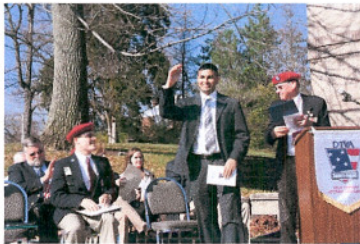
half of Commander Osterfeld's grandfather, Charles Goldfuss for his actions in WWI. It took Commander Osterfeld four years to get the military to certify the silver star for his grandfather.

As well, Congressman Driehaus presented long overdue medal to Charles Stinson for his actions in WWII.

It was an honor for us to have all these speakers take the time to give their remarks on the importance of this holiday.

Above: Hon. Driehaus and Charles Stinson.

Left: Hon. Patty Clancy



Shekar Jayaraman waving, Cmdr Osterfeld at podium, Sec. Lefler seated, Chaplain Duebber seated behind Lefler.



After the ceremony the guest were able to trace the names.- left

Colors being posted-right



A tired guest-right



### NEW WALL ON ORDER - NEED FOUNDATION

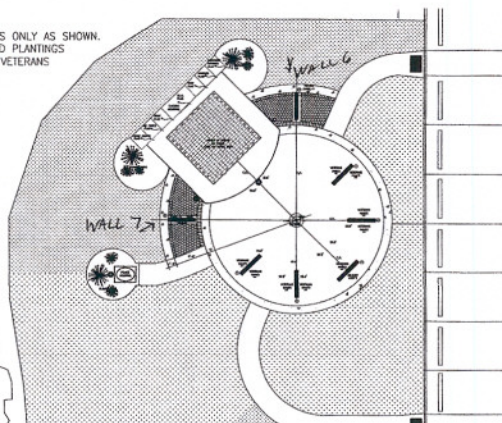
A new wall for the Wall of Honor Monument has been ordered from Schott Monument for a price of \$9300. A deposit of \$4500 was made. A balance of \$4800 still needs to be made Schott Monument Co. This cost is without engraved names.

Before a new wall can be added the foundation for the new wall needs to be placed. This will cost an estimated \$5000.

The total cost of the project will be an estimated \$15,000.

The new wall will match the other walls with black granite and with the gold letters "IN GOD WE TRUST"

NOTE: PLANTINGS ONLY AS SHOWN. NO ADDED PLANTINGS WITHOUT VETERANS REVIEW.



The new wall will be two feet shorter the other five walls per township requirements. The new wall will measure 5'hx5'wx8". There will be 248 spaces for names instead of the 424 spaces the other five walls hold.

The new wall will be the sixth wall but will be labeled wall "7" to keep the constant of the odd and even numbered walls being on different sides of one another.

MISCELLANEOUS

- ◆ Vice Commander Henry Armstrong went to Walnut Hills High School to give a talk on WWII to Mr. Keith Semrad's 10th grade class.
- ◆ The DTVA would like to have all your war stories. History is being lost every day with the passing of our veterans. The DTVA would like your story to compile with other veteran stories into a booklet. You need not be a writer or shy. Just express what you saw, felt or experienced.
- ◆ DTVA is working on a date with the Delhi Police to have their canine unit come to a meeting to show us the newest member of the Delhi Police Force.
- ◆ Member Dave Swenson made a suggestion on having a safety presentation. We will be working with him in setting something for our members.
- ◆ If you have a Facebook account become a fan to the DTVA. DTVA is on Facebook.

BOARD ELECTIONS IN JUNE

The positions of Commander, Vice Commander, Second Vice Commander, Trustee-1 and Trustee-2 will up for election this June. The terms are for two years beginning June 26, 2010.

Don Osterfeld, Henry Armstrong, Lenny Kleiner, and Gary Cox who hold the position of Commander, Vice Commander, 2nd Vice Commander and Trustee-2 are term limited for those positions. They cannot run for the same position on the board on which they now hold. Mike Bender who is Trustee-1 is not term limited but has not indicated if he will seek re-election. Swearing-in ceremony will happen at the July 13 meeting.

If interested in being a candidate for any of the positions, please contact Secretary Lefler.

Henry Armstrong has mentioned his intentions to run for Commander.



The DTVA participated in the Pearl Harbor Remembrance on the Anderson Ferry. Above forefront Trustee Gary Cox, Secretary Jeff Lefler, Trustee Jerry Morris part of the color guard. Not pictured V.C. Henry Armstrong and 2V.C. Lenny Kleiner, Trustee Mike Bender, Rick and Jeff Roos.

# Freedom Isn't Free Dance

SATURDAY, JUNE 26, 2010  
8PM-12AM  
AMERICAN LEGION HALL  
4618 RIVER ROAD  
TICKETS \$15/PERSON  
\$25/COUPLE  
MUSIC, BEER, POP, CHIPS & PRETZELS  
RAFFLE TABLE & SPLIT THE POT  
535-1833 RESERVATIONS  
WWW.DELHIVETERANS.COM

## Delhi Twp Veterans Association

STOLEN VALOR ACT BEING CHALLENGED

The 3-year old law makes it a crime punishable by up to a year in jail to falsely claim to have received a medal from the US military even if the liar makes no effort to profit from his stolen glory.

Suits have been filed on behalf of two men. Xavier Alvarez is one of the men whom claimed he was a retired Marine and Medal of Honor recipient. Turns out that Alvarez never served in the military. He was sentenced to 400 hours community service and \$5000 fine.

The other man is Rick Glen Strandlof who claimed he was an ex-Marine and a Purple Heart and Silver Star recipient from his service in Iraq. Military officials have no record that he served. A judge is considering whether to throw out the charges.

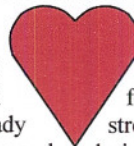
The defense in these suits is that this law is in violation of the First Amendment that protects all speech and bans bragging and exaggerating about yourself.

Many have been arrested under the law at the time when veterans are coming from Iraq and Afghanistan as heroes.

Other veterans are coming out in defense of the law. They contest that deliberate lies are not protected and the Constitution gives Congress the power to "protect the worth and value of these medals." The DTVA will keep you posted on any future developments.

SWEETHEART SWING DANCE

The dance was held on February 13, 2010. There were 170 people who attended at The Farm. The Pete Wagner Band provided the music. A 42" TV raffle was held. Mike Bender won the TV. Match Box Raffles and Split the Pot were also held. A big thank you to Donna Cox for working the Match Box Raffle. She had steady stream of clients. And to Bob Gardner for donating and designing three clocks for the Match Box Raffle. DTVA made \$1619 profit.

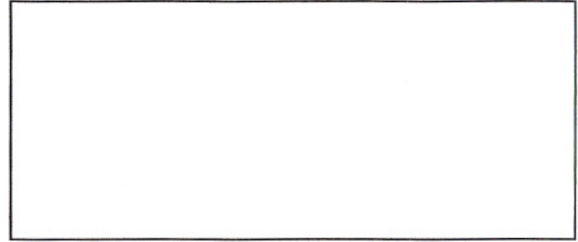


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### MEETINGS DATES

Our meetings are held the 2nd Tuesday of every month at the Delhi Community/Senior Center on Neeb Road. Meetings begin at 7:30pm.

#### Meeting Dates for 2010

|            |              |
|------------|--------------|
| January 12 | July 13      |
| February 9 | August 10    |
| March 9    | September 14 |
| April 13   | October 12   |
| May 11     | November 9   |
| June 8     | December 14  |

To become a Member of the DTVA or to get a form to add a Delhi Veteran to the Wall of Honor; please contact 513-471-8693 or visit the website [www.delhiveterans.com](http://www.delhiveterans.com).



Top: Delhi Veterans Memorial Park  
Bottom: Crowd at Portrait Unveiling

