

Staples All Veterans Park Newsletter

Park Association Mission Statement - Working together to provide a park to honor and remember those Veterans and individuals who served and defended their nation and community so well. To offer an educational opportunity for all members of the community to learn more about those that have defended and served their country and community.

DONATIONS TO THE PARK in the last 6 months

Range	# of Donors	Total Amounts
0 - \$199	23	\$1,652
\$200 - \$499	7	\$1,503
\$500 - \$1,999	9	\$6,175
\$2,000 - \$4,999	4	\$10,277
\$5,000 +	1	\$11,366
Total Donations		\$31,273

Most of the donations were designated for the WWII Wall and some were designated to the Flag Fund and some went to individual tributes or general fund.



PARK PROJECTS

We are in need of donations to fund the following projects. Amounts collected so far are on the right

WWII Wall of Honor	\$31,683
Civil War Tribute	\$25
Korean War Tribute	\$35
WWI Tribute	\$25
Vietnam War Tribute	\$725
Learning Center Fund	\$2,125
Veterans side walk trail	\$6,000

By sponsoring a tribute, you can be involved in its design and creation.



FUNERAL MEMORIALS

Designate your gift in honor of a Veteran or in memory of a loved one.



MILT PETERSON JOINS PARK BOARD

Milt grew up on a small farm near Plumber, MN. After graduation in 1966 he joined the Navy and was stationed in San Diego and Charleston. His last year in the Navy was spent in the Central Highlands in Vietnam with a medical advisory team. After his discharge in 1970 he married his wife Janice. Milt attended University of North Dakota and attained a BS in Business Administration. Worked for 40 years in the Farmers Coop System covering MN and WI. Retired in 2015 and moved to Staples and they are happy to live here.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Veterans Day at SMHS	November 11 2019
Christmas Luminaire	December 2019
Annual Fundraiser	March 12 2020
Memorial Day	May 25 2020

Park Board Members

Bob Hamann	President	218-296-0677
Huck Holst	Vice President	218-296-2469
Kevin Jenkins	Secretary	218-820-2081
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Milt Peterson	Director	218-251-1420



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PLEASE JOIN US STAPLES ALL VETERANS PARK FUNDRAISER

THURSDAY, MARCH 12, 2020
TIMBERS IN STAPLES | 5:30 - 8PM

Games, Raffles, Live & Silent Auction

BUFFET DINNER \$30/TICKET

Save the Date

Tickets are available from:

Any Park board member, First International Bank & Trust, Mid Central Federal Savings, Mid Minnesota Federal Credit Union, Unity Bank, and at the Staples World.



VETERAN JOHN ULRICK TO SPEAK AT VETERANS DAY PROGRAM

Senior Chief Warrant Officer (CW4) John Ulrick served in the Army for 32 years, completing 4 overseas Combat tours, 2 in Iraq and 2 in Afghanistan. He retired in 2015 to operate his farm near Hillman in Morrison County. He has attended college for several years and is currently attending the University of South Dakota with a double major in Criminal Justice and Political Science. **The program starts at 10 am November 11 in SMHS gym.** The Veterans Park paver dedication will honor 18 local Veterans. (see Page 2 for the list.) Also, all Veterans are invited to breakfast at the Elementary school at 8:30am.

FOURTH OF JULY AT THE PARK



Blessing Brothers



Speaker
Jack Rengel



Jack Wilson, Mary Ann O'Keefe, Chuck Gillespie, Doug Grossman, Gerry O'Keefe, Ray Garland



Potato Salad Lady
Char Daniels



Bun Lady
Jan Sams

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30 X 60 FLAG IN RAILROAD DAYS PARADE



In Front: Dan Shaw, Del Lecy, Jim Vollegraaf, Tristan Jenkins, Kurt Willson and Jerel Nelen

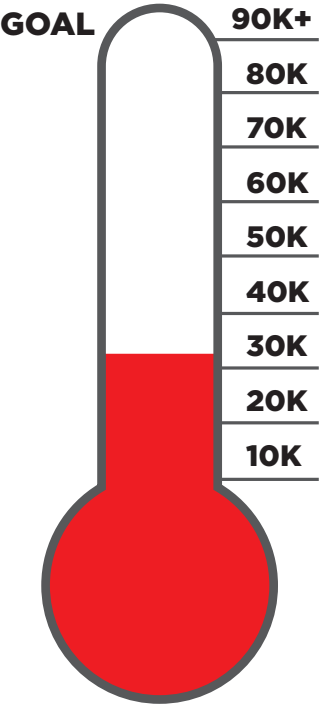
TAX FREE IRA CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE PARK

Must be 70 1/2 or older to be eligible. Simply instruct your trustee to make the distribution from your IRA to the park. The distribution would otherwise be taxable. This will count towards satisfying any required minimum distribution. These gifts are known as “charitable IRA Rollovers.” As always seek the help of a professional planner or funds advisor. The Staples All Veterans Park Association is a 501c3 non-profit.

PAVERS TO BE DEDICATED ON VETERANS DAY

Corporal James C Wentworth U S Army WWII	MMFR Thomas W Rubel US Navy Vietnam 1964-1968
Fireman 2nd Class Lester “Ace” Demmon US Navy WWII 1945-1946	Airman David J Rubel Us Navy 1960-1964 US Air Force 1967-1969
Staff Sgt Millard J Demmon US Air Force Korea 1950-1954	Lance Corporal Manvel A Knutson U S Marine Corp Korean War 1951-1959
Spec 4, Corporal Reginald De Mars U S Army 1961-1963	Tech 5 Warren J Rubel US Army WWII 1942-1945
Sgt Kevin Olmschenk US Army Vietnam 1968-1969 Bronze Star	Corporal George N Weinans US Army WWII 1942-1946
Pvt Brandon Christiansen National Guard 2013-2017	Technical Sergeant C Richard Longbella U S Army WWII 1943-1945
Sgt Keith M Rubel U S Army & Nat Guard 1994-2014 Iraq 4 tours	Master Sgt William D Taylor U S Army Air Force 1962-1988 Vietnam
Sgt Kevin D Rubel National Guard & U S Army 1989-2006	Sgt Jerry L Lindeen National Guard 1989-1999
SSG Kenneth J Rubel U S Army Vietnam 1967-1970 & 1975-1980	PFC () Ivan E Voeltz Jr US Army 1951-1953

WWII HONOR WALL



HONOR WALL DONATIONS

Julie & Ryan Jagim	Rita Stone
Barbara Dahl	Cecil Johnson
Donna Johnson	Zeigler Family
Still Cruisin Car Club	Lions Club
Rose Hoemberg	Jane Eickhoff

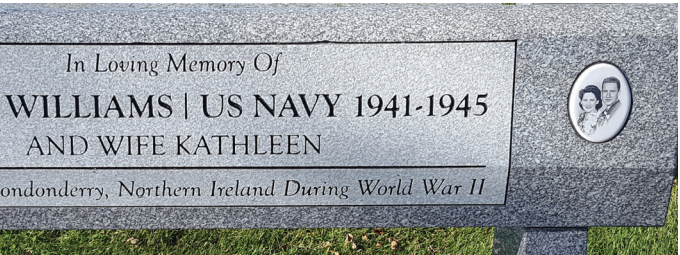


NEW PARK ASSOCIATION POLICY

All items ordered from out order from must be placed directly with the Park Association. Any items donated to the Park are subject to board approval. The board reserves the right to accept or reject any donated item. Bench orders are a long process and we try to ensure the benches are ready before one of our dedication ceremonies.

Due to increased granite costs, effective January 1, 2020 bench prices will increase. Benches without backs will sell for \$2,500. Benches with backs will sell for \$3,000.

All prices are subject to changes.



Photographs can be applied to benches for additional cost.

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ZIEGLER 5K RAISES \$2,500 FOR PARK

The August 10th 5K race at Pine Grove Park raised \$2,500 for the Veterans Park



5K winners Mens: Overall Derek Dilly, 1st Sam Hemmerich, 2nd Joe Zimmerman, 3rd Keve Ziegler



Kids fun run: 1st Vance Vejtasa, 2nd Estella Mcgruder, 3rd Aabree Hove



5K winners Women: 1st Alison Olssen, 2nd Crystal Mcgruder, 3rd Dawn Captain



Jenna Jobe presents check to Park Board members



ROSE HOEMBERG DONATION

Rose gave \$1,000 for the WWII Honor Wall and \$500 to the Flag Fund. Shown holding a picture of her late husband Fritz who entered the Army during WWII and served as a Sergeant with a Combat & Engineering Div. in the European Theater. Rose and Fritz were married in 1947.



RITA STONE DONATION

Rita gave \$500 to the WWII Honor Wall and \$500 to the Flag Fund. Shown holding a picture of her late husband Phil who served as Staff Sergeant during WWII and then again in the Korean War. Rita and Phil were married in 1949.



LIONS PAR 3 CHALLENGE RAISES \$3,689 FOR THE PARK

Lion Izzy Israelson, tournament organizer and Lions President Mike Gold present check to park Association President Bob Hamann. Funds are designated to the WWII Wall of Honor