

500 More Names Remembered

Two New Monuments in Iola

American Legion Sheveland-Taylor Post 14 will dedicate two new monuments at 11 a.m. Monday, May 29, at the Veterans Memorial Park in Iola.

Names were added to four existing monuments and five new service flags and flag poles installed at the park located at 200 N. Main Street. The guest speaker will be Mark Sether.

There were previously more than 700 deceased veteran's names on the monument. The American Legion has research and found more than 500 additional names that were missed and were added to the monument.

The names include veterans dating back to the Civil War through today. Due to the large number of names that were added two additional granite monuments measuring 84 inches tall by 54 inches wide and 8 inches thick were purchased and added to the existing four granite monuments that create the memorial. A bronze donor's plaque will list all donor names.

The monuments honor all those from Iola and Scandinavia area who have served in the military with their name being engraved in memoriam after they pass away.

The flags of the Army, Marine Corps, Navy, Air Force and Coast Guard will be on display 24 hours a day to honor those who have served or currently serving in the military. The flag poles were sponsored through special donations. A bronze plaque on each flag pole shows those that are honored or the sponsors of the flag poles.

The public is also invited to attend the pork roast at the Iola Historical Society sponsored by the Iola Historical Society and The American Legion Sheveland-Taylor Post 14. All veterans will receive a free dinner.

The American Legion will also have a display showing the new Walk of Honor Monument for which funds are currently being raised.

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One of the two monuments being set at the park.