The Legacy Veterans Garden at the Eastern Nebraska Veterans' Home

The Legacy Veterans Garden is a project to help memorialize those that have chosen to protect our freedom. The memorial will be a place giving respect to each of the branches of the armed services. The memorial is aiming to be completed in the Fall 2011, and will reside outside of the Eastern Nebraska Veterans' Home at 12505 40th St in Bellevue, NE.

The Legacy Veterans Garden began as the four founding members, Aimee Middleton, Bill Bowes, Courtney Kucirek and Julie Bruning, began a program through the Sarpy County Chamber of Commerce - Leadership Sarpy. In this program, they were asked to come up with the concept for a project that would be a legacy for Sarpy County. Two of Courtney's brothers happened to be deploying to Iraq at that time and the group thought it would be a great idea to have a Veteran's Memorial built in Sarpy County, as there was not an existing place for the garden.

The Eastern Nebraska Veterans Home, a new facility located on the corner of Capehart and 40th Streets, had planned on creating a garden for the residents to relax, rehabilitate and enjoy. Unfortunately the project ran out of funding. Fortunately, the Eastern Nebraska Veterans Home has a large, unused area outside for a memorial. It also access for the public to enjoy it too. It was the most logical place to put the memorial.

The team did not just set out to provide the idea to others to build it. Instead they took on the challenge of raising the money and building the memorial themselves. They have teamed up with the American Legion and CMs Lawn and Landscape to make their dream a reality.

In late 2009, the team started their own non-profit organization, a 501 (c)3, called Legacy Veterans Garden.

The plan is to have CMs Lawn and Landscape build the Memorial at the Eastern Nebraska Veterans Home and maintain the landscape for years to come.

For further information, to volunteer, contribute or help, please visit www.lvgnebraska.com or contact Aimee Middleton at aimeemiddleton@msn.com or call 402-672-5050.
TEE OFF FOR A VET!

You are invited to the Second Annual Legacy Veterans Garden Golf Tournament that will take place Friday, April 29, 2011!

Sign up and bring your own foursome, or partner up with fellow golfers at the course. Either way you are sure to have a great afternoon while you raise money for the Veterans Memorial planned for the campus of the Eastern Nebraska Veterans Home in Bellevue, Nebraska.

The Veterans Memorial Golf Tournament will be held at Tregaron Golf Course, 13909 Glengarry Circle, in Bellevue. Check-in begins at 11:00 AM with a shot gun start at 12:30 PM. An Awards Dinner will follow at 5:30 PM at Tregaron.

Registration is $75 per golfer or $300 for a foursome. Registration includes 18 holes of golf with a cart, the chance to win great prizes and an invitation to the steak dinner before the Awards Celebration.

Holes can be sponsored for $50 each. Sponsors are also invited to donate merchandise as flag prizes. Dinner Only Reservations are available for $25 per person.

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