

Welcome to the "2010" Veterans Trail Ceremony



Trail Honorees

2010: Michael R. Acton, Alan W. Gerard, Paul F. Hain Jr, Delbert L. Hesseltine, Keith M. Potter, Stephen A. Roskop, Alvin G. Schnoebelen

2009: Gerald D. Ambrose, Michael L. Bombei, Leroy C. Lenoch, David E. Malott

2008: James L. Deegan, Deborah L. Holloway, Donald R. Lovetinsky, Kain Schilling, Jerry Allen Slezak, Edward R. Swenka, Peter C. Vanderhoef, Robert Zobeck. 2007: James C. Dickerson III, David Hintze, Michael E. Hull, Douglas P. Gwinn, Larry C. Rummelhart, Doran A.

2006: Leroy Anderlik, John Brown, Marion Green, Patrick Moore, Orval Spilde, Allen Young.

2005: Garlyn Ash, Michael Bruggeman, Steven Clark, Junior Courtney, Danny Curtis, Harlan Henely, Michael Hess, Clarence Hightshoe, MG Robert L. Sentman (RET), Leo Slattery, and Reno Walter.

2004: Michael Alber, Ralph Baughman, Leonard Furhmeister, John Jones, William Peterson, Charles Pratt, Francis Thoman, Patrick Zenishek, and Gordon Zumwalt **2003:** Richard Feddersen, John Fenstemaker, Dale Hill, Charles Hromidko, Victor Kostiw, David Mitchell, Merle Nevenhoven, Charles Plymale, Richard Reihman, Anthony Rocca, Roland Schump, and Gary Spevacek.

2002: Bernard Aldeman, Dean Andersen, Robert Forbes, Harry McGrath, Cyrus Shockey, Theodore Spivey, Leonard Tepoel, Steven Wieneke, and Robert Williams.

2001: John Beranek, Bernard Collins, Leo Embree, Louis Ernst, Donald Erusha, Daniel Knuckey, Leonard Tomash, and Gary Weppler.

2000: George Dane, Terry Michel, Reed Parker, David Patten, Earle Scheetz, Curtis Utley, and John Wilmoth Jr. **1999:** Maynard Sexton, William Knowling, Rex Flansburg, Robert Bowers, Roy McAtee, and Harry Eister.

1998: Earl Barnes, Charles Callen, Bill Crow, Willard Freed, James Lynch, Richard Martin, and Howard Strock.

Williams.

1997: Lauren Tonne, Dale Hostetler, Thomas Fountain, William Hutcheson, Robert Burns, Donald Farnsworth, **1996:** William Tucker, Philip Von Stein, Richard Grell, William Bock, Robert Randall, William Meardon, Harold Cox, Louis Cox, and Donald Cox.

1995: Martin Dvorak, Waunetta Stubbs, Bob Watkins, Fred Hahn, George Neitderhisar, Carl Villhauer, Leo Villhauer, David Villhauer, Louie Villhauer, Herman Villhauer, and Howard Villhauer

1994: Earl Seydel, Guy Seydel, John Seydel, Donald Seydel, Lyle Seydel, Robert Seydel, and Edwin Seydel.

1993: William Doherty

1992: E. Raymond Campbell

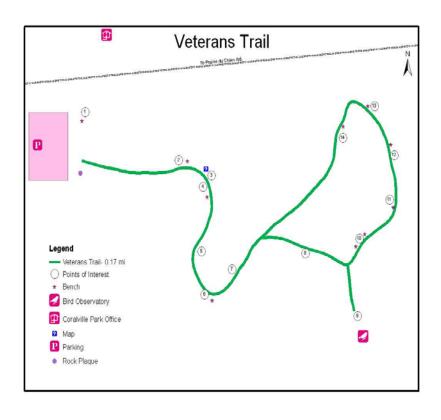
1991: Ralph Neppel and Donald Link

1990: Richard Pelecheck

1989: Daniel Vickroy

Albert Hieronymus, and Donald Brannaman

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Trail Description

The Veterans Trail is a ¼ mile, barrier free trail constructed to accommodate wheelchair users and people with walking disabilities, as well as able-bodied users.

The asphalt and boardwalk trail meanders through mature oak, hickory, and maple trees. Features along the trail include a bird observation area, various rest areas and an 80 foot bridge.

Trail History

During the Fall of 1988, construction was completed on the Veterans Trail. On Memorial Day of 1989, the trail was dedicated as The Veterans Trail in honor of all veterans who have served in the military. During this ceremony the bird observation area was dedicated. In 1990, the bridge was dedicated. From 1991-1996, the six rest areas on the trail were dedicated.

In 1997, a granite rock was added to the trail. It holds the names of the 1997 – 2001 honorees. A second granite rock was added in 2002. It holds the names of the 2002 – 2004 honorees. In 2005, a limestone bench rest area was added in honor of Major General Sentman. Also in 2005, a granite monument encompassing a bench was also added with the names of the 2005 honorees and is large enough to add honorees for the next several years.

Stops on the Trail

Stop 1: The Donald Link flower garden. Dedicated in 1991.



Stop 2: Added in 2005, this stone bench holds the names of the 2005 and 2006 trail honorees.



Stop 3: Veterans Trail Bulletin Board. See who the latest honored veterans are. A large map and information on why veterans are so special.



Stop 4: The Ralph C. Neppel rest area was dedicated in 1991.



Stop 5: This granite rock displays the names of the 2002 to 2004 trail honorees.



Stop 6: The Seydel Rest Area. This rest area was dedicated in 1994 to the seven Seydel brothers.



Stop 7: This rock, the second of two granite rocks, bares the names of honorees from 1997 to 2001.



Stop 8: The Richard Pelechek Bridge. This 80 foot bridge stretches across a small ravine to the bird observatory. The bridge was dedicated in 1990.



Stop 9: The Daniel Vickroy Bird Observatory was dedicated in 1989. Visitor can see chipmunks, squirrels, and various species of birds from lowa.



Stop 10: This rest area was dedicated to nine local veterans in 1996.



Stop 11: This rest area on the trial is home to the WWII veterans. This was dedicated in 1995.



Stop 12: This is the E. Raymond Campbell Rest Area. It was dedicated in 1992.



Stop 13: This limestone bench was dedicated to Major General Robert Sentman in 2005. Major General Sentman has served on the Veterans Trail Committee since 1989.



Stop 14: This is the final rest area along the Veterans Trail. It was dedicated to William Doherty in 1993.



Memorial Day Ceremony

Every year on Memorial Day, local veterans are honored for their outstanding and unselfish services to preserve the freedom of America.

A formal ceremony is held at Coralville Lake's East Overlook Area each Memorial Day. The Rock Island District Colonel, Coralville Lake Operations Manager and staff, other local military dignitaries, and the public are all present to pay homage to the honorees. During the ceremony honoree's achievements during their military service is acknowledged and the Rock Island District Colonel and the Coralville Lake Operations Manager present them with a framed certificate. As well as the certificate, a portion of the Veterans Trail is dedicated in their name(s).

Honorees are nominated by the public and selected by a committee of Johnson County Veterans organization members and Coralville Lake staff. For nominees to be selected they must meet the following criteria:

- Must be a resident of Johnson County, lived a large portion of their life in Johnson County or be a member of a Johnson County Veterans organization.
- Must have been a member of the armed services and have been honorably discharged.
- Honorees should be living.

If there are any questions or a nomination form is needed, please call Park Ranger Jeffrey Peck at (319)338-3543 ext. 6310.

Local Veterans Organizations

American Legion of Iowa 720 Lyon Street Des Moines, IA 50309 (515) 282-7583 Iowa Veterans' Council Pres. Gerald Moorhead PO Box 73 Granger, IA 50109 (515) 999-2690

Disabled American Veterans National Service Office Second & Walnut Sts 1033 B Federal Bldg Des Moines, IA 50309 (515) 284-4658

Veterans of Foreign Wars of the US 601 Hwy 6 West VA Medical Center Iowa City, IA 52246 (319) 339-7063

Marine Corps League VFW Post 788 3420 Southgate PL SW Cedar Rapids, IA 52404-5415 (319) 393-8126

Donations are greatly appreciated!

Your donations help provide:

- · Purchasing bird seed for the bird blind
- Purchase new monuments
- Help maintain the trail system

If there are concerns or comments on the Veterans Trail, please feel free to contact our office at any time. Please see our address listed below.

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