

## **S.M.A. WELCOMES PATRIOTIC MEMBERS**

THE SOLDIER'S MONUMENTAL ASSOCIATION OF PICKAWAY COUNTY IS SEEKING NEW MEMBERS TO THE ORGANIZATION. WE ARE A PATRIOTIC CLUB LIKE THE OTHER VETERAN ORGANIZATIONS WITH THE ONE BIG DIFFERENCE. IT IS THAT WE ALSO ACCEPT MEMBERS WITHOUT PRIOR MILITARY SERVICE. MANY OF US ARE VETERANS AND WE KNOW OTHERS WHO NEVER SERVED ARE ALSO VERY PATRIOTIC. WE RECENTLY HAD OUR ANNUAL MEMORIAL DAY PARADE THAT WE HAVE SUCCESSFULLY ORGANIZED FOR YEARS. WE ALSO HELP MAINTAIN VETERAN GRAVES IN THE COUNTY WITH HEADSTONES AND FLAGS. ONE FINE EXAMPLE IS HIGH STREET CEMETERY IN CIRCLEVILLE. WE HAVE HAD NON-MILITARY MEMBERS FOR YEARS. JACK MADER, TONY ROBINSON AND GRANT CLIFTON ARE GOOD EXAMPLES. THEY ARE VALUABLE MEMBERS OF THE S.M.A. THEY HAVE FAMILY TIES WITH THE MILITARY. IN FACT, TONY LOST A BROTHER IN VIETNAM. WE ARE PREPARING TO REOPEN UP OUR COUNTY'S ONLY MILITARY MUSEUM IN THE NEAR FUTURE. THE MUSEUM IS LOCATED ON THE SECOND FLOOR OF MEMORIAL HALL. IT HAS A TREASURE OF DONATED ARTIFACTS RELATING TO OUR LOCAL INVOLVEMENT IN MILITARY HISTORY. PLEASE CONTACT ANY OF OUR OFFICERS FOR FURTHER INFORMATION. OUR PRESIDENT IS SID LIMING (740-207-5462); VICE PRESIDENT CHARLIE WEAVER (740-474-7238); TREASURER TERRY SLOAN (864-314-2232); SECRETARY DIANE LESTER (740-474-7704); AND PROPERTY OFFICER PETE HARTINGER (740-474-6773).

THE MEMBERSHIP FOR S.M.A. IS ONLY \$5.00 PER YEAR. OUR ADDRESS IS 165 1/2 EAST MAIN STREET. THIS ANNOUNCEMENT IS DEDICATED TO THE MEMORY OF THE LATE DENNIS LESTER, A TRUE AMERICAN AND FORMER PRESIDENT OF S.M.A. AND COMMANDER OF AMVETS.