

# BELLEVUE VETS TIMES

Independent Newsletter of the Bellevue Veterans Club

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**SIXTY YEARS** of serving the community...that say's a lot. We have provided baseball for fifty years & volleyball for thirty-five years.

**OPENING DAY** was scheduled for Sunday April 24<sup>th</sup>, but thanks to Mother Nature we had to reschedule to Sunday May 1<sup>st</sup>. Last year we were forced to rain it out completely. The weather was nice and the parade took place on time. We had a special guest GAPPER mascot from the Cincinnati Reds. The kids loved him. GAPPER walked in the parade, played with the kids and gave autographs for over four hours. Due to work I missed this special day. Thanks to everyone who helped make this day happen. FIFTY years of baseball & THIRTY FIVE years of volleyball. **That say's a lot.**

**MONEY BALL KICK OFF DINNER** was Monday night's floor meeting on April 25<sup>th</sup> the food was good and we managed to get the raffle tickets out to all the members. I hope all the members sell the 25 plus tickets we issued to each member. We have fewer members this year, so the club needs each and every member to sell their raffle tickets. We depend on six ways to raise money to cover the club expense's this is one of them.

**NIGHT AT THE RACES** had to be rescheduled due to state licensing. We have moved this event to Saturday June 18<sup>th</sup>. Mark your calendar, we need your support for this fun event.

**FUN, FUN & more FUN** at the Bellevue Vets. We are up and running full speed. So far we have our youth leagues is playing every night of the week, Men's, Women's and Co-ed horseshoes are pitching, plus softball has started, Men's on Friday night, Co-ed on Sunday. We have a DJ on Friday nights and live entertainment on Saturday nights. Bingo on Sunday nights. If you are looking for something to do, visit the Vets any night of the week or on the weekend. You will find plenty to do, kids baseball &/or volleyball, softball, horseshoes & more. We appreciate your support.

Please mark your calendar. Below is a list of events scheduled for 2005:

### **MAY - MEMORIAL DAY PARADE** **Monday, May 30th**

**JUNE - Night at the Races**  
Saturday June the 18<sup>th</sup>  
We continue to raise money & support our youth leagues  
Lots of gambling, food & FUN  
Please mark your calendar & join us.

**JULY - ALL STAR DAY** Sunday,  
July 24th Youth league

**AUGUST** – (busy month just ahead & we need volunteers to help)  
>Carnival Thu/11, Fri/12, Sat/13  
Please get the word out.  
>Club Raffle Saturday August the 13<sup>th</sup> at midnight we will give away \$7000.00  
>Golf Outing Saturday August 20<sup>th</sup> all day event. Need hole sponsor's see Kris or Jerry  
>Volunteer's Picnic Saturday August 27<sup>th</sup> we will entertain the family during the day & the adults

at night. This allows the Vets to say thank you to everyone that helped support each and every club event. If you coached a team, sold raffle tickets, cut the grass, striped a field, or whatever, please join us on this fun filled day. Our youth league kids will be selling candy & raffle tickets over the next few weeks.

**SEPTEMBER**  
Bellevue Veterans Club 60<sup>th</sup>  
**ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION**  
on Saturday, September 10<sup>th</sup>.

**REMINDERS**  
**WE NEED VETERAN MEMBERS...**  
>The membership drive is on. If you know of a veteran tell them about our great club.  
>We have updated the web site feel free to visit us on the web at [www.bellevuevets.com](http://www.bellevuevets.com)  
>If you have interest in a new shirt see Jerry (orders are due by Friday May 13<sup>th</sup>)

GOD BLESS AMERICA  
*Terry W. Hatton*  
Bellevue Veterans Club  
President-2005

### **BELLEVUE VETS**

**By Dick Schaiper**

As spring moves along with all the flowers along with those flowering trees and shrubs that give off a wonderful fragrance in the air. Just knowing that those dreary cold winter days are gone and nothing but warm sunny days is ahead makes everyone feel much better. It makes us want to get outside and enjoy this time of the year because it's not too hot but just right.

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Our Youth Baseball and Volleyball team has been playing for a few weeks now and the kids are having a great time. For some of these players it's the first time they have been involved in an organized sport of any kind. We hope they enjoy this league which will teach them how to play baseball or volleyball and how to win and how to lose. Each player gets to play regardless of his or her skills. With the parents help we can make it an enjoyable season for these youngsters. Please support your child and his team by coming to the game and please don't ride the referees and umpires.

As everyone knows we will be celebrating Memorial Day with a parade from Dayton to Bellevue. This parade is one of the largest in our area. It's a day that is set aside to honor all those men and women who gave their life to keep us free. Many of these men and women were friends, relatives or neighbors. We will always remember all the good things they had done and the fun we had. They will always be remembered. Our members march in the parade to honor all these fallen comrades. After the parade we will hold a service on patio in the rear of our building. At this same service we will also recite all the names of our club members who have past away. The flags will be flown at half-staff until dark to honor all fallen veterans. May God bless their soul and bless all the men and women in harms way.

The City of Bellevue had asked us to help them with a program to send items that are needed by the troops over in Iraq. As a veterans organization we are always glad to

help our troops. At a meeting at the city building they decided to adopt the 101st. Airborne Division to receive these items. They also had asked students to send letters to these troops to be a pen pal with them until they get to come home. This is to show these troops that we support them in what they are doing over there. If you are interested in helping give Mary Scott a call at Bellevue's City Building.

Our members are selling tickets on our Money Raffle which will be raffled off at our Carnival on Saturday night August 13th at 11 p.m. Be sure and get your ticket from a member.

Youth Baseball is selling raffle tickets for season tickets for the Cincinnati Bengal's home games. The raffle will take place at the Youth Leagues All-star Game on July 31st. So see a player for your ticket.

Don't forget to check our web site at: [BELLEVUEVETS.COM](http://BELLEVUEVETS.COM) for information on our club and it's events.

## WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

**Jeffrey Ferguson**  
Vet  
James Delaney  
Vet

Chucks Shorts

### Tales from the bar

J.W., obviously drunk, walks into the front door of a bar. He staggers up to the bar, seats himself on a stool and, with a belch, asks the bartender for a drink. The bartender politely informs J.W. that it appears he has already had plenty to drink and that he could not be served.

The bartender offers to call a cab for him. J.W. softly scoffs, grumbles, climbs down from the bar stool and staggers out the front door.

A few minutes later, J.W. stumbles in the side door of the bar. He wobbles up to the bar and hollers for a drink. The bartender comes over and - still politely if not more firmly - refuses service to the man and again offers to call a cab. J.W. looks at the bartender for a moment confused, curses, and shows himself out the side door, all the while grumbling and shaking his head.

A few minutes later, J.W. bursts in through the back door of the bar. He plops himself up on a bar stool, gathers his wits, and belligerently orders a drink. Finally fed up, the bartender comes over and tells him that he'll either call a cab or the cops, and that J.W. has five seconds to decide which it'll be.

J.W., obviously surprised looks at the bartender and in hopeless anguish cries,

"Man! How many bars do you work at?"