

## **VETERANS ENCOURAGED TO REGISTER FOR SOLDIERS FEST**

Veterans of all eras, as well as current servicemen and women, are encouraged to take part and share in the activities at the Dennison Railroad Depot Museum's Third Annual American Soldiers Homecoming Tribute August 7-9, 2009 in Dennison, Ohio. Museum Director Wendy Zucal shares that the Homecoming is an event planned specifically to honor veterans, and they can attend as guests of honor for free.

The emphasis this year is the Vietnam era, so the Museum specifically encourages Vietnam veterans to register for FREE Battlepasses to the Homecoming. Those registering will receive all event details mailed directly to them in advance, including details on programs at the Vietnam Wall and Ohio Flags of Honor, as well as the Roundtable and Speakers information.

Throughout the event, veterans are honored guests, treated to free coffee, honored in the Opening and Closing Ceremonies, and honored in the Ticker Tape Parade Saturday, August 8<sup>th</sup> at 9am.

Veterans can attend all events including WWII battles, entertainment, exhibits and the Museum for free.

This event, held in Dennison once known as Dreamsville USA during WWII for serving 1.5 million soldiers free coffee and food, honors and remembers our servicemen from all military periods.

A popular highlight of the event are the WWII battle reenactments, which have grown over time and will include trenches and bunkers for the first time. Each year, the battle strategies change. A youth reenactment is also planned for this year. Musical entertainment includes the Big Band Recollections performing at a USO Dance and the Trumpet-In-The Land Singers performing a 70s show. Other entertainment includes a General Eisenhower and Frank Sinatra impersonator.

To register, veterans can call the Dennison Depot toll free at 1-877-278-8020 or they can email the Depot at [depot@tusco.net](mailto:depot@tusco.net). Additional information on the event is available at [www.dennisondepot.org](http://www.dennisondepot.org). Complete schedules of festival events are also available.

Battlepasses for non-veterans are \$10 for adults, \$8 for seniors and \$6 for students 7 to 17. Under 7 are free. Family passes are available for \$25 per family. **EARLY BIRD PASSES PURCHASED BEFORE JUNE 30 SAVE \$2.00 PER TICKET.**