

# The Listening Post

## Chapter 35 Participates In Memorial Day Observances And At Area Veterans' Events

Original fears of not being able to field a color guard, were awash when chapter members Bob Bodi and Bob Stewart joined the color guard in time for the downtown Toledo Memorial Day Parade. Color guard commander Gene Shurtz, and long time members Mike Redner and Dick Wilson were happy to pick up the two new guys. Other members rode in a trailer pulled by Don Measel in the parade.



Downtown Toledo's Memorial Day Parade—Photos by Don Measel.



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**Next Meeting !**  
Sun. June 12 at 7 p.m.  
Petro Stopping Ctr.  
I-280 & Exit 1-B  
Lake Township

**July Meeting**  
7/10/2011 @ 7 p.m.

### Poor Attendance Marks Vet Event

Hot weather and a very low turnout plagued a Vietnam Veterans event held on June 4-5, at Powertrain's Family Park in Toledo. The poor turnout was even evident in Chapter 35 members who failed to support vice-president Don Measel in staffing the chapter's recruiting tent. **At right, Reagan Roberts, niece of Paul Norton, sings the national anthem at the event.**



Medal of Honor Recipient Ron Rosser salutes.

## Color Guard Members Assist With Memorial Day Ceremony For City of Oregon, May 30th

The City of Oregon's Memorial Day observance was led by the V.V.A. Chapter 35's color guard and was highlighted by a flyover of two F-16's from the 180th Tactical Fighter Wing of the Ohio Air National Guard.

Father Patrick Rohen, a Catholic Priest who served as a Captain in the U.S. Army (Chaplin) provided the keynote address. Ohio V.V.A. District 2 Director Bob Stewart also spoke and associate member Jerry Eversman was the master of ceremonies.

**At right, Gene Shurtz, tolls the bell during the remembrance of the fallen.**



## Rolling Thunder XXIV Washington, D.C. May 28-29, 2011



The lone Marine who stood for more than three hours without moving a muscle, saluting the estimated 15,000+ motorcycles that rolled across Memorial Bridge from Arlington, VA into Washington, D.C. Rolling Thunder had arrived!



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