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ELYRIA POST ALLOWS FOR CAMPUS BEAUTIFICATION

Eaton Rapids, MI— Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 1079 of Elyria, Ohio will help make campus beautification a reality through an extraordinary contribution of \$10,000 made in April. The monies were earmarked for the National Home Facilities Fund, allowing the dollars to refresh the living memorial that is the National Home.

The monies will be used for preventative maintenance, repairs and new equipment, said Todd Marriott, National Home Facilities Director. Protecting the VFW and Ladies Auxiliary's investment in the National Home campus is the main objective of the Facilities Fund.

"The National Home will host thousands of visitors in the upcoming months, and the Elyria Post will make it possible to ensure the campus is ready and waiting for its supporters," Marriott said.

The contribution is in addition to a long list of significant contributions to the National Home from the Elyria Post. Recent donations include more than \$40,000 to the general fund, almost \$17,000 for the Lift Station and \$23,775 in February 2004.

"Elyria VFW Post #1079 is an extraordinary supporter of the VFW National Home for Children as evidenced by this and other recent and generous contributions," said Patrice Green, Executive Director.

The Elyria Post has more than 1,500 members and 1,100 members of its Ladies Auxiliary. Both individual members and the organization donate annually to the National Home and participate in "Ohio Day" each summer.

"We are grateful for their love of the children and for their trust in our stewardship of their contributions to these areas of need at the National Home," Green said.

Since 1925 the VFW National Home for Children has been providing for the children and families of veterans, while at the same time serving as a living memorial to our nation's heroes. For more information on the National Home, please call (517) 663-1521 or visit the Web site at www.vfwnationalhome.org.

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