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## **Concerned Women for America of Iowa Hosts Its 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Veterans Event**

*Monday, November 9, 2009, 7:00 p.m. at Grace Church, 4200 E.25<sup>th</sup> St., Des Moines*

This event is to honor our veterans, thank families with active duty soldiers and remember those who gave the ultimate sacrifice.

Iowa veterans will share World War II stories that younger generations need to hear from those who lived it.

Two special awards will be presented:

The first award is the Glenn McDole Memorial Frontline Award for selfless service and sacrifice in support of our national sovereignty. It is named for World War II veteran Glenn McDole of Ankeny, Iowa, who passed away in September, 2009. Mr. McDole was a Marine sergeant who spent 2 ½ years as a prisoner of war. The award is being presented to Edward “Dale” Pyle of Maxwell, Iowa. Commenting on the award, Tamara Scott, State Director of CWA of Iowa, said, “Glenn McDole was a kind and quiet man to those of us who knew him back home in Iowa, but he was a man of valor who exhibited great emotional strength and physically endured great torment in his love of our country and his undying devotion to protect her. Mr. Pyle is very deserving of this award as he was in the first raid into the Dachau Concentration Camp. His personal photos are quite chilling and tell of his bravery. It is horrific history that we must never forget, or we will allow it to happen again.”

The second award is the Mary Jo Hoffman Memorial Homefront Award in recognition of courageous leadership and advocacy in support of family, life, and liberty. It is named for Mary Jo Hoffman of Sioux City who passed away July 31, 2009. Mary Jo and her family understood standing for freedoms, protecting our values, and fighting to maintain our liberties right here at home – on the homefront. Wendy Wright, President of Concerned Women for America, will fly in from Washington, D.C. to present this special award on behalf of Brent Hoffman and his family. Representative Dwayne Alons of Hull, Iowa, will receive the award for his diligence and commitment to family issues at the State House.

Concerned Women for America, the nation’s largest public policy women’s organization, is celebrating its 30<sup>th</sup> year. More information on CWA of Iowa can be found at <http://iowa.cwfa.org>. You may also contact Patti Parlee, Communications Coordinator, at 515-249-3917.

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