

Downers Grove high schools to install memorial gardens

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DOWNERS GROVE – Community High School District 99 will honor the 70 alumni who have died serving in the U.S. armed forces by creating memorial peace gardens at Downers Grove North and South high schools, according to a district news release.

Each garden will include extensive stonework, granite stones bearing the names of all the fallen veterans, copper lighting, iron benches and permanent sculptures inscribed with the phrase “May Peace Prevail on Earth.”

At North High School, the Forest Street circle will be remodeled into the memorial. At South High School, a memorial will be installed at the west events entrance.

The district received a donation

from a private landscaping company and will look to raise \$50,000 at its all-school fundraisers to cover the rest of the cost.

Upcoming fundraisers include sales by fashion accessory company Stella and Dot from 3:30 to 5:30 p.m. Dec. 9 at North High School, 4436 Main St., and 3:30 to 4:30 p.m. and 5:30 to 7 p.m. Dec. 15 at South High School, 1136 Norfolk St.

Donations can be made to the memorial fund by visiting <http://shawurl.com/2a9n> or by a check made payable to D99 Memorial Peace Gardens. Checks can be dropped off at the North or South main offices or mailed to: D99 Memorial Peace Gardens, c/o Administrative Service Center, 6301 Springside Ave., Downers Grove, IL 60516.