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Park board honors employee

The Anderson Township Park District awarded its 2009 Lonnie Bettle Service Award to Don Bennett, operations.

Bettle, a member of the ATPD team from 1988-1999, was an exemplary employee who performed his job diligently and admirably.

Bennett, like Bettle, has made a significant, positive contribution to the development of the Park District.

Bennett has been part of the ATPD team since the spring of 1998. He is a part-time employee who splits his time between Veterans Park and the Heritage Center, making sure they are in top shape for park users.

He also is deeply committed to his country, having served in the Navy Active Reserve from 1950-1951, and the Air Force from 1951-1955; he remains an active member of the American Legion Post 72.

Bennett is known as the "Commander" of Veterans Park, but some former service members, especially Navy veterans, call him "Admiral."

Bennett was formally recognized at the recent Meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners. The Park District has awarded 15 Park District employees with the honorable Service Award.
