

# Cousins clean graffiti from Oswego Vets' memorial

Jan. 18, 2017--Oswego's Veterans Memorial got a facelift Wednesday thanks to two Aurora-area residents.

Oswego resident Bryan Gibson and his cousin Matt Gibson of Aurora spent the morning cleaning graffiti from memorial walls.

The cousins volunteered their time and expertise after vandals defaced downtown business walls and property with drawings overnight.



The Gibsons are employed by Nedrow Decorating, Inc., of Aurora, a commercial painting firm whose specialties include removing graffiti for schools and other clients.

Bryan Gibson said the duo expects to return in the spring to power wash, seal and apply a graffiti-resistant coating to memorial walls.

The project had special meaning to Matt Gibson, an Army veteran. He served as an infantry sergeant, including 2009 in Iraq.

**PHOTO:** Oswego resident Bryan Gibson, left, and Matt Gibson, Aurora, volunteered to clean graffiti from the Oswego Veterans Memorial Wednesday. The cousins are employed by Nedrow Decorating, Inc., of Aurora, a commercial painting firm specializing in removing graffiti for schools and other clients. The memorial was among downtown businesses and property struck by spray-painting vandals last week. (Al Benson photo)