

Honor Tour set to depart next week

Eight Louisa County Veterans to participate in Tour



Because of generous contributions from a community that respects and honors its veterans, the American Legion Post 27 of Muscatine is able to sponsor the second "WWII HONOR TOUR" from Iowa. Once again we are sending 30 WWII veterans to Washington, D.C. to see their monument and many other sights, at no expense to them. It is our way of saying "Thank You" for serving our country and defending our freedom.

The WWII HONOR TOUR will have a short patriotic send off ceremony at the American Legion, 110 S Houser, at 8:30 a.m. Wednesday, May 13th. Our chartered bus will then

be led in a parade through our GREAT CITY by the local police and sheriff's departments, American Legion Riders, and the Vietnam Vets motorcycle clubs. We will leave the Legion at 9:00. There will also be a convoy behind the bus for those of you who would like to join. If you cannot attend the ceremony, please watch for us and come out of your businesses, schools and homes to wave your hands, flags or signs. Let them know how much we care! Jake Hawley, film producer from San Francisco will be filming this event for a documentary. Please turn out along the route and show him the Muscatine Pride we have in our veterans.

If the weather does not cooperate that day, the ceremony will be inside the American Legion. The parade will still have the same route.

If you have any questions, call Pam Ramer at 563-299-0948.

Parade Route: 1. Houser to Cedar Street; 2. Right on Cedar to 2nd Street; 3. Right on 2nd Street to Pine; 4. Right on Pine to 3rd Street; 5. Right on 3rd to Mulberry; 6. Left on Mulberry to 5th Street; 7. Right on 5th Street to Park Ave.; 8. Left on Park Ave. to Hwy 61; 9. Right on Hwy 61 to I-280; 10. East on I-280 to QC Airport.

Veterans attending this tour are (an asterisk indicates Louisa County Veterans): Gail Greenwood, *Thomas Pogemiller, Otto Parker, *David Russell Orr, Ronald Miller, Joseph William Carter, Howard Harmon, George Warren Collier, *Delmore Evans, Raymond Willson, Donald Gesell, Eddie Bartelt, Clifford Sams, *Farrell Gentzler, *Richard Utter, Asher Schroeder, *Wayne Buster, *Harry William Furnas, Robert W. Toborg, Iris Hetzler, Hans Goetsch, Elwood Roger Howell, Robert King, Leonard Rada, Ernest Root, Harvey Staley, Robert Lehman, Gene Fuller, Junior Otto, *Dennis Brennan.

Mayor proclaims Poppy Week in Community



Columbus Junction Mayor Dan Wilson has proclaimed the week of May 10th through May 15th as Poppy Week in Columbus Junction.

In Flanders Fields

by John McCrae, May 1915
In Flanders fields the poppies blow
Between the crosses, row on row,
That mark our place; and in the sky
The larks, still bravely singing, fly
Scarce heard amid the guns below.
We are the Dead. Short days ago
We lived, felt dawn, saw sunset glow,
Loved and were loved, and now we lie
In Flanders fields.
Take up our quarrel with the foe:
To you from failing hands we throw
The torch; be yours to hold it high.
If ye break faith with us who die
We shall not sleep,
though poppies grow
In Flanders fields.

Remember the Poppy

by Elizabeth Miller
What is the meaning of the poppy?
Show respect to all veterans
Color of the poppy is red which stands for
Blood that our heroes have given.
Wear a poppy as a small token
To show support
For what all veterans, troops, and heroes have given
In the past, present, and future of all wars.
Poppies are made by Disabled Veterans.
Stop-Think-What a poppy stands for
The help it has given to us so--
Freedom can still ring.
God Bless America!

Poppies will be distributed in town on Friday, May 15th

CCHS Students receive \$84,000 in awards

Over \$84,000 in scholarships and numerous achievement awards was presented last Wednesday evening at the Columbus Schools Awards Banquet sponsored by the National Honor Society. Presenters, awards and recipients were:

Masters of Ceremonies - Senior National Honor Society Members.

Matt Kingsbury - Welcome and Introduction of Senior National Honor Society Members

Entertainment (Band) - Band Solo - "Scene and Air" - Jesus Lizarraga.

Duncan Bell, Matt Storm, and Tom VanAuken - Outstanding Teacher of the Year - Kathleen Almelien; Masonic Scholarship \$300 - Amanda Bausch.

Curt Braby - Louisa County Sheriff's Patrol "Most Valuable Student" Award \$500 - Janessa Townsley.

Jeff Maeder - Bernie Saggau Award - Jordan Lyon

Dorothy Sywassink - Louisa County Farm Bureau Women's Scholarship \$500 - Elyssa McFarland; Iowa Farm Bureau Federation Scholarship \$1,000 renewable - Elyssa McFarland.

Judy Shear - Order of the Eastern Star Scholarship \$500 - Bret Carlson.

Sam Bell - Roy H. Gerling and Joan Huber Gerling Scholarship Trust Up to \$5,000 - Jade Kauffman, Jesus Lizarraga; Charles E. Shellabarger Educational Trust Up to \$4,000 - Olivia Romero, Janessa Townsley; One-time \$1,000 - Bret Carlson, Austin Conaway, Megan Leyden, Jesus Lizarraga, Elyssa McFarland, Tyler Parker.

Tom Sands - Columbus Junction State Bank Scholarship \$1,500 - Ali

Ryan.

Shane Morgan - Columbus Junction Sons of the American Legion Post 100 Annual Citizenship Scholarship \$1,000 - Bret Carlson.

Steve Moore - American Citizenship by Iowa Bar Association - Janessa Townsley.

David Duncan - Tyson Fresh Meats, Inc. Scholarship \$1,000 - Jade Kauffman, Tyler Parker, Olivia Romero.

Alan Edmondson - Molly Marie Edmondson Memorial Scholarship \$1,000 - Bret Carlson, Matt Mouglin.

Sara Griffin - Julie Woodard Memorial Scholastic Leadership Award Program \$1,000 - Janessa Townsley.

Brett Hafner - Agriland FS Foundation Scholarship \$600 - Elyssa McFarland.

Jerry Gerot - Columbus Junction Lions Club Annual Scholarship \$500 - Bret Carlson, Jade Kauffman.

Shannon Abbott - Chapter CX P.E.O. Scholarship \$250 - Elyssa McFarland, Janessa Townsley.

Doug Pugh - J.D. Pugh Memorial Scholarship Approximately \$1,000 - Matt Mouglin.

Dave and Donna Wittmann - Lisle (Doc) and Jeanette Luthly Scholarship Approximately \$500 - Jordan Lyon.

Dan Vogeler - Louisa County Soil and Water Conservation District Scholarship \$300 - Elyssa McFarland.

Matt Kingsbury and Chris Wulf - Beryl and Wilma Sime Roundy Charitable Foundation \$920.27 - Hillary Bausch, Austin Conaway; \$5,000 - Elyssa McFarland, Olivia Romero; Beryl O. and Wilma S. Roundy Scholarship Foundation \$2,207.80 - Bret Carlson, Cindy

Gonzalez, Tyler Parker, Janessa Townsley, Molly Wilson.

Lelia Lintner Memorial Scholarship \$1,500 - Cindy Gonzalez.

Federation Bank Scholarship \$500 - Jordan Lyon.

Miscellaneous Scholarship: Eastern Iowa Light and Power Cooperative \$500 - Bret Carlson.

Muscatine Community College Foundation Scholarships \$800 - Jesus Lizarraga, Olivia Romero; \$750 - Jade Kauffman; \$500 - Austin Conaway, Megan Leyden.

Christina Hixon Opportunity Award Over \$13,000 over 4 years - Jenna Wolfe.

Katie Lewis - FFA Scholarship "Arysta LifeScience North America" \$1,275 - Elyssa McFarland.

Sandra Martin - Ralph and Adeline Crawford Scholarship \$1,000 - Olivia Romero; Outstanding Girl in Drama - Ali Ryan; Outstanding Boy in Drama - Matt McAfee; Herbert Hoover Uncommon Student Award \$1,000 - Olivia Romero.

Mary Wilson - Outstanding Girl in Speech - Megan Leyden; Outstanding Boy in Speech - Matt McAfee.

Matt Kingsbury and Chris Wulf - Principal's Leadership Award; Wendy's High School Heisman National Nominee - Janessa Townsley; Student Council President - Molly Wilson; Senior with 3.00 Grade Point Average: Zach Barnhart, Amanda Bausch, Hillary Bausch, Bret Carlson, LuRanda Clark, Austin Conaway, Omar Dirzo, Cassie Gartzke, Erick Gaytan, Cindy Gonzalez, Brandon Harris, Micah Hills, Jade Kauffman, Megan Leyden, Jesus Lizarraga, Jordan Lyon, Elyssa McFarland, Ethan Mendenhall, Lizzie Morris, Matt

Mouglin, Tyler Parker, Olivia Romero, Ali Ryan, Tyler Stewart, Janessa Townsley, Molly Wilson, Brandy Winters, Jenna Wolfe, Alberto Zapata.

Jay Hauenstein - Senior Vocal Awards - Lizzie Morris / Tyler Parker.

Steve Helscher - Drum Major - Jenna Wolfe; Senior Band Awards - Jesus Lizarraga.

Larry Abrams - Mississippi Valley Regional Blood Center "Gallon Grad Award" - Molly Wilson, Alberto Zapata; Senior Student Mathematics Award - Janessa Townsley.

Katie Lewis - Senior Student Agricultural Education Award - Jade Kauffman.

Kathleen Almelien - Youth Art Month - David Lagunas, Marisa Leyden; Senior Student Art Award - Amy Bethke, Austin Conaway.

Robin McClanahan - Senior Student Business Education and Technology Award - Hillary Bausch.

Tom McGehearty - Senior Student Industrial Technology Award - Matt Mouglin.

David Suter - Senior Student Science Award - Janessa Townsley, Molly Wilson.

Sandra Martin - Senior Student English Award - Zach Barnhart, Ali Ryan.

Lois Mincks - Senior Student Family and Consumer Science Award - Jade Kauffman

Jeff Martin - Senior Student Social Studies Award - Elyssa McFarland

Matt Kingsbury - Senior Student Foreign Language Award - Jenna Wolfe; Senior Girls' Physical Education Award - Olivia Romero; Senior Boys' Physical Education Award - Tony Marin.

Briefly -

Legion Auxiliary to meet

The American Legion Auxiliary will be meeting Tuesday evening, May 12, at 7 o'clock. Poppy distribution will be discussed. Judy Shear will be hostess. Remember your coupons and stuffed animals. The Auxiliary will be distributing poppies in the downtown area on Friday, May 15.

CJUMC Mother/Daughter Banquet

Columbus Junction United Methodist Church Mother Daughter Banquet will be held Wednesday, May 20 at 6 p.m. The evening will include Dinner/Dessert and a program. Tickets are \$6.00; 6 and under free. Tickets can be purchased at the church office. Bring a friend or just come yourself.

Columbus City Clean-up Day

Saturday, May 9, 2009 - Have all items at the curbside by 7:00 a.m. Saturday morning. There will be a \$15.00 charge for all appliances and a tag must be attached to all appliances. Those include refrigerators, stoves, freezers, microwaves, humidifiers, dehumidifiers, water heaters, air conditioners, and florescent light fixtures. **We will not take:** tires, batteries, paint/paint cans, hazardous materials, spray cans, wood/demolition materials, garbage/anything in garbage bags or yard waste.

Mother's Day Tea at Conesville United Methodist Church

The Conesville United Methodist Women will be having a Mother's Day Tea at the church on May 7, at 7 p.m. Lena Schrader from Columbus Junction will give a talk and show slides taken during her visit to the Holy Land. Refreshments will follow the program. All are welcome.

Decategorization Board to meet

The Quad County Decategorization Board will meet today, Wednesday, May 6, 2009, from 10-11 a.m., in the Burlington Chamber of Commerce, 610 N. 4th, Burlington, Iowa.

Doctor's Office to be closed

Dr. Masonholder's office will be closed all day May 14.

Family Night Parade

Family Night Parade May 14th, 2009 6:45 p.m. Columbus Community School Track Parade will feature mini-floats created by your child's classroom sharing areas of study from the 2008-2009 school year. Refreshments will be provided after the parade. Parking will be available at the high school or elementary parking lot.

Half Hour Club to meet

The Half Hour Club will meet on Tuesday, May 12th, 2009, at 9:30 a.m. for breakfast at the home of Connie Lewis. Hostesses are Margaret Bloomquist, Dorothy Allen, and Doreen Fuller. The program will be reading the report and election of officers.

Conservation District to meet

The Louisa County Soil and Water Conservation District Commissioners will meet today, Wednesday, May 6, 2009, at 4:30 p.m. at the NRCS Office in Wapello. Topics on the agenda will be an update on cost share projects. For more information please contact the office at 260 Mulberry St. STE 2, Wapello, or phone 523-6411.

Letts UMC Mother/Daughter Banquet

The annual Mother-Daughter Banquet will be held at the Letts United Methodist Church on Wednesday, May 20, 2009. Serving starts at 6:30 p.m. The theme this year is "Birds." Kathy Dice from the Louisa County Conservation office will present the program. Make reservations with Margaret Thomas (319-726-3286), Margaret Ann Carter (319-726-4252), Joyce Crull (319-726-5671), or the church office (319-726-3641) by Monday, May 18th. Please bring a salad to share.

Lions Club Spring Breakfast

The Columbus Junction Lions Club will hold their annual Spring Sausage/Pancake/Egg breakfast at the newly re-opened Columbus Community Senior Center on Saturday, May 16th and Sunday, May 17th. They will be serving pancakes, sausage, scrambled eggs, coffee, milk and a fruit drink from 7 a.m. until 11 a.m. both mornings. Cost for all you can eat will be \$6.00 for adults, and \$4.00 for children under 12.

Prevent Child Abuse Iowa to meet

Prevent Child Abuse Iowa - Louisa County Council will meet Thursday, May 7th following the Interagency meeting at the Briggs Center in Wapello. 10:00 a.m. -11:00 a.m. Anyone interested is welcome to attend. Contact Lori Kuntz, Stork's Nest at 319-527-6378 for more information.

Clydesdale Team at Econ-O-Mart

The Budweiser Clydesdale team will be at the Econ-O-Mart parking lot on Friday, May 15th from 11:00 am to 1:00 pm. Anyone wishing to have their pictures taken with the team are invited to stop by.

Amateur Radio Club to meet

The Muscatine Amateur Radio Club will meet on Monday, May 11, at 7:00 pm at the Flickinger Learning Center, 413 Mulberry Avenue in Muscatine. (Please use the 5th Street entrance.) All amateur radio operators, and those interested in learning more about amateur radio, are invited to attend. For more information, visit muscatinehams.org.

Postage rates to increase

Postage rates will increase on Monday, May 11, 2009. The cost to mail a one-ounce letter will increase to 44 cents. Post card rate will increase to 28 cents. The additional ounce will remain the same at 17 cents. This is a smart time to purchase the forever stamp. The forever stamp sells at today rate is good for one-ounce letter postage forever.

Public viewing and discussion times for revitalization project

The following times have been set for members of the public to come to view and discuss plans for the revitalization of Columbus Junction with representatives from Keep Iowa Beautiful and Keep America Beautiful.: Wednesday, May 6th - 1:30 p.m. to 5:00 p.m., and again at 7:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. Thursday, May 7th - 7:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. Friday, May 8th - 5:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. All meetings will be at the Civic Center. The public is encouraged to come at any of these times to give your input and ideas.