

A Thank You to the citizens of Louisa County

American Legion Post # 100 of Columbus Junction and Wapello VFW Post # 5166 would like to say "Thank You" to everyone who contributed so generously to the WWII Honor Tour. It is wonderful that so many came forward to help recognize all of our veterans who have given so much to our great country. The WWII Honor Tour was a great way to say THANK YOU to our GREATEST GENERATION for their service and for our freedom. While in Washington they visited the WWII Memorial and were greeted and thanked by people from all around the world. While there, they also had the opportunity to visit many other monuments. It was a trip of a lifetime, and all of the below contributors helped to make this trip possible for them. One hundred and forty eight Louisa County citizens and organizations came forward to help, giving a total of \$22,914.47 to date.

The next trip on September 28th will be a "Louisa County Honor Trip." Plans are being made to have the group depart from Columbus Junction. Details for a memorable send-off are being worked out, and more will be reported as plans are finalized.

Although the fund-raising efforts are now over, more Louisa County Vets can participate in upcoming tours. Including the September 28th trip, twenty-one veterans from Louisa County have participated in the tour. If you would like to be a part of a future trip, you can contact: WWII Honor Tour, % American Legion Post # 100, 99 Second St., Columbus Junction, Iowa 52738.

Following are those individuals and organizations who contributed to make the WWII Honor Tour in Louisa County such a success:

Jack Estle;
A.C. Bohling;
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Robert & Clarice Lowe - *In Memory of Paul Lowe* ;
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Dave & Candy Pugh;
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Everett Ruchotzke;
Barbara Wiebel;
Thomas E. & Marilyn Thomas;
Farrel & Delores Gentzler;
Robert W. Schlutz;
Milo M. & Donna B. Orris
David L. & Becky Orr;
Dean & Janice Hoehle;
Royal Neighbors of America No #537, c/o Dorothy Diller;
Thomas & Jolene Pogemiller;
Gloria B. Newell - *In Memory of Russell R. Newell* ;
Mark & Judy Shear;
Warren & Patricia Ball - *In Memory of Virgilia (Jill) Williams*

Briefly -

Antique Roadshow in Washington

The Washington County Historic Preservation Commission will be hosting an "Antique Roadshow" at the Washington County Fair on July 24, 2009, from 5 to 7 p.m. Interested persons are invited to bring one or two items for the show. Well-informed panelists will be present to help identify and discuss the treasures we have. Value can be determined. There will be a \$3.00 charge. Everyone is welcome.

CCIC to meet

C.C.I.C. will meet at 7:30 p.m. at the Columbus City city hall on Tuesday, July 28th. Ron and Lucille are the hosts.

CCHS Class of 1994 plans reunion

The CCHS Class of 1994 will be having their 15-year class reunion on Saturday, August 29 at 3:00 PM at the Mary Marr Lodge in Marr Park, Ainsworth, Iowa. The meal will take place at 6:00 PM. Bring the family. There will be a golfing at Cedar Crest at 10:00 AM for those interested. Please contact Vanessa (Van Auken) Proehl at 712-250-2250 or spirtedchic@hotmail.com to sign up to golf. For further details contact Vanessa or Shannon (Story) Hampson at shannon-hampson@uiowa.edu or 319-360-8256.

CCHS Class of 1999 plans reunion

The class of 1999 will be holding their 10-year reunion this summer. The dates for the reunion will be July 31st and August 1st. There will be chances to get together on both days. Plans for the reunion will be sent to classmates through their email or phone. Class of 1999 members can send their email addresses to kasey_keltner@hotmail.com or phone numbers to 319-728-3032. Otherwise, we will try to contact you. If there are any questions you can send them to the same email address or phone number.

Fair books available

The fair books are in for the Louisa County Fair, July 27-August 1. Locations in Columbus Junction to be picked up are: Columbus Junction State Bank, Community Bank, Plants and Things, Special Effects, Columbus Gazette and City Hall.

Grandview-Letts Lions to hold blood drive

The Grandview-Letts Lions Club is sponsoring a blood drive at the Grandview Community Bible Church on Thursday, August 6, 2009, from 1:30 - 6:30 p.m. To donate, call Jack Carter at 319-726-4252. You can give blood if you last donated on or before Thursday, June 11, 2009.

Registration scheduled for Great Beginnings Preschool

Great Beginnings Preschool is now accepting student applications for the 2009 - 2010 school year. Great Beginnings offers quality care and education for children ages 3, 4 and 5. The school also provides transportation to and from the preschool. For more info please contact the preschool at 728-2669 or Beth Hills at 728-3157.

Ice Cream Social in Oakville

The Oakville Community Club is having a homemade ice cream social on August 8 at the Oakville Community Building. It will include hot sandwiches, chips, drink and desserts to go with the ice cream. Bring a carload and join us. Serving will be from 5 to 7:30 Saturday, Aug. 8. The free will offering proceeds will go toward improvement of the Edwards Cemetery Road.

Fair to hold kick-off supper after parade

The Louisa County Fair will hold a kick-off supper on Saturday, July 25, 2009, from 5-7 p.m. Join us after the parade at the Louisa County Fairgrounds for: Grilled tenderized pork loin sandwich, potato salad or chips, baked beans, apple or cherry pie or brownies, tea or lemonade (pop and ala carte items extra). The cost is \$6.00 per meal. The meal is sponsored by St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Columbus Junction.

Ice Cream Social at Spring Run

There will be an ice cream social held at Spring Run United Methodist Church on Tuesday, August 4th. Serving will be from 5-7 P.M. On the menu will be: Hot chicken sandwiches, beef burgers, potato salad, pie, cake and homemade ice cream. A Free Will Offering will be accepted. Our church is now air conditioned.

Farmers' Market this Friday

Fridays 4:30 to 6:30 at the American Legion parking lot, through October 9. The market offers fresh produce, baked goods, homemade noodles, jams and jellies, frozen meat, plants, iced tea and lemonade, crafts and even dog treats! Buy fresh and local - taste the difference. Support the local economy. For more information including how to participate as a vendor contact Mallory or Nitzza at 319-728-7971.

Pork Chop Dinner at Fair

Come to the Fair! Louisa County Habitat for Humanity will serve mouth-watering pork chop sandwiches and dinners at the Louisa County Fair Tuesday, July 28. They will be serving from 4:00 pm to 6:30 pm near the 4-H Variety Building. Tyson Fresh Foods is providing the pork for this event.

Six contestants vie for 2009 Louisa County Fair Queen Title

COLUMBUS JUNCTION, IOWA, July 16, 2009—On Monday, July 27, 2009 Abby Webb, 2008 Louisa County Fair Queen, will crown one of SIX young ladies vying for the title of Louisa County Fair Queen 2009. The new Louisa County Fair Queen receives a \$500 scholarship, \$250 cash award, crown, sash, trophy, and many other prizes from our very supportive local sponsors. There will also be awards for 1st Runner-up, 2nd Runner-up, Miss Leadership, and Miss Personality. This year's fair queen will make many appearances at the 2009 Louisa County Fair as well as go on to compete at the 2009 Iowa State Fair Queen Contest in August with over 100 other contestants.

The 2009 Louisa County Fair Queen Contestants are as follows:

1. Abbey Wilson, 16-year-old daughter of Doug and Vickie Wilson of rural Columbus Junction. Abbey will be a Junior at Columbus Community High School this fall.

2. Lindsay LaFayette, 19-year-old daughter of Jack and Lori LaFayette of Wapello. Lindsay is a

2008 graduate of Wapello High School and will be a sophomore at the University of Iowa this fall majoring in Elementary Education.

3. Sonjia Allen, 16-year-old daughter of Rebecca and Tom Bonnichsen of Letts. Sonjia will be a Junior at Louisa-Muscatine High School this fall.

4. Bailie Bonnichsen, 18-year-old daughter of Craig and Dana

Bonnichsen of Grandview. Bailie is a 2009 graduate of Louisa-Muscatine High School and will attend Iowa State University this fall to major in Graphic Design.

5. Alexandria Edwards, 17-year-old daughter of Rob and Jodi Edwards of rural Columbus Junction. Alex will be a senior at Columbus Community High School this fall.

6. Heather Partington, 17-year-

old daughter of Pam and Larry Berg and Rick Partington of Wapello. Heather will be a senior this fall at Wapello High School.

The 2008 Louisa County Fair Queen is **Abby Webb**. She is the 19-year-old daughter of Douglas and Janice Webb of Wapello. Abby is a 2008 graduate of Wapello High School and will be a sophomore this fall at Iowa State University.



Abbey Wilson



Lindsay LaFayette



Sonjia Allen



Bailie Bonnichsen



Alexandria Edwards



Heather Partington



2008 Louisa County Fair Queen
Abby Webb

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