

# BOYD AMERICAN LEGION FAMILY NEWSLETTER MAY 2008

## MEMORIAL WEEKEND EVENTS

**SUNDAY MAY 25<sup>th</sup> LINE-UP AT 12:30**  
Boyd Ringlespiel parade – **Legion, Sons of the American Legion, and Senior & Junior Auxiliary** members line up on corner by St. Joseph's School. **Please invite any Veteran or returning soldiers to join us in the Parade.**

Let's have a good turnout for the parade and demonstrate pride and honor as we carry and march behind our colors.

Gerry Gully will have at least one car available for veterans to ride in. Possibly two of his old cars. If you know any Legionnaire who wants to drive one of the cars, let Gerry know.

### **MONDAY MAY 26<sup>th</sup> at 9:30 a.m.**

Memorial services at the cemeteries for our deceased Veterans – meet at the Boyd Legion Hall at 9:30 a.m., Legion, Sons of the American Legion and Auxiliary members.

Wilson Cemetery - 10:00 a.m.

Edson Cemetery - 10:30 a.m.

Sacred Heart Cemetery - 10:45 a.m.

St. Joseph's Cemetery - 11:00 a.m.

Cadott St. Peter's Cemetery - 11:15 a.m.

At 12:00 in the Lotz Park in Boyd, there will be a flag disposal ceremony. Please bring any flags you may have to the disposal ceremony.

**After the Flag Disposal there will be a light lunch and a little card playing, at the Boyd Legion Hall.**

Contact Gerry Gully at 667-3486 or 667-3898 to sign up for a shift at our **American Legion Family Food Stand** at Ringlespiel Days, May 23-25.

## LEGION & AUXILIARY MEETINGS

Legion and Auxiliary meetings are held on the **3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday** of each month at **7:00 p.m.** At the Boyd American Legion Hall on Clark Street.

**MAY 20, 2008**

**Americanism Essay Contest awards  
presented on May 20<sup>th</sup>**

**JUNE 17, 2008**

**JULY 15, 2008**

## BOYD AUXILIARY ELECTIONS

The Boyd Auxiliary will hold elections on **Tuesday May 20, 2008.**

## BADGER STATE DELEGATES

The Delegates selected to attend **Badger Girls State**, June 15-20 at the University of Wisconsin-Oshkosh campus are: **Samantha Ramp and Brittany Manley**

The Delegates selected to attend **Badger Boys State**, June 14-21 at the Ripon College Campus are: **Matthew Holub and Steven Stasek**



## BLUE STAR BANNER

A Blue Star Banner displayed in the window of a home is an American tradition. The banner lets others know that someone in the home is serving in the U.S. Armed Forces.

Do you know a family that has an active military person that would like a Blue Star Banner to proudly hang in the window?

Contact Teresa Isensee at 667-3528 or Rose Gully at 667-3486.



## THE POPPY STORY

In the World War I battlefields of Belgium, poppies grew wild amid the ravaged landscape. How could such a pretty little flower grow wild while surrounded by death and destruction? The overturned soils of battle enabled the poppy seeds to be covered, thus allowing them to grow and to forever serve as a reminder of the bloodshed during that and future wars.

The poppy movement was inspired by the poem *"In Flanders Fields"* written by Lieutenant Colonel John McCrae of the Canadian forces in 1915 before the United States entered World War I. Selling replicas of the original Flanders' poppy originated in some of the allied countries immediately after the Armistice.

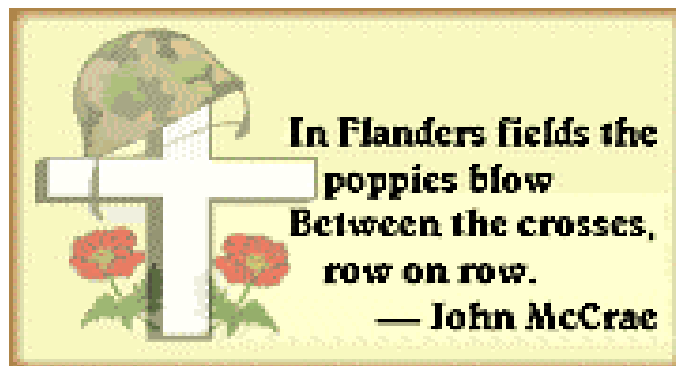
## AMERICAN LEGION AND AUXILIARY STATE CONVENTION JULY 18-20

The Department of Wisconsin annual Legion and Auxiliary State Convention will be held on Friday July 18 through Sunday July 20 at the La Crosse Center, 300 Harborview Plaza. Registration information will be in the Badger Legionaire.

Each nine-piece poppy is made by veterans for veterans in Auxiliary sponsored Poppy Shops that supplement physical and psychological therapy needed by hospitalized and disabled veterans. The Auxiliary provides the materials and the volunteers. The veteran makes the poppy and is paid a small amount for each painstakingly made flower. For some it is their only income.

## EDUCATION

Remember to save and record the number of Campbell's labels, 5-cent Milk Caps, and Box Tops for Education you donate to any school of your choice.



## HALL RENTAL Air-conditioned both floors

The Boyd American Legion Hall is available for renting. Contact Teresa Isensee at:  
**715-667-3528** (evenings after 5:30)  
**715-839-2173** (8:00 a.m.–4:30 p.m. weekdays)



**2008 AUXILIARY DUES**  
Senior - \$15.00 Juniors - \$2.50

Boyd Unit #326 is currently at 72.99%, we need 57 more memberships.

**2008 LEGION DUES**  
\$30.00

Boyd Post #326 is currently at 88.04%, we need 11 more memberships.

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**GOD BLESS YOU AND GOD BLESS AMERICA  
SUPPORT OUR TROOPS  
AND  
SUPPORT OUR VETERANS**

**BOYD AMERICAN LEGION FAMILY WEBSITE**

<http://www.boydlegionfamily.org/>

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