

6 Packwaukee On August 23, 1942 the congregation of Trinity Lutheran Church in Packwaukee formally dedicated the US flag, the Christian flag and the Service flag in an impressive service. The flags now hang in the narthex of the lovingly maintained little church in Packwaukee at W5940 Chestnut St, The service flag and stars were a gift from the Ladies Aid. The flag cost was \$3.10 and the stars were \$2.40. The flag measures 22"x36", is edged in red and has 20 stars on a field of white. Seventeen silver stars depict those who served overseas and three blue who remained stateside in WWII. Robert Hollender's silver star was replaced by a gold one when he was killed in the defense of his country on November 19, 1943. View on Sundays or by appointment.



7 Endeavor The Village of Endeavor has a special Veterans Memorial with both an M60A3 tank as well as UH-1 Huey placed by the Vietnam Veterans of America Chapter 659. This helicopter was used in Viet Nam and carried a crew of two officers and two enlisted men.



8 Briggsville Carl E. Grabman American Legion Post 329 placed an M1A2 155mm howitzer in the pretty memorial in the park right in downtown Briggsville. The U.S. Army adopted the M1 155mm howitzer in 1941. During WWII it proved to be one of the best artillery pieces of its type in the world. After WWII it was renamed the M114 and continued to serve through the Korean and Vietnam Wars. The gazebo provides the perfect place to pause and rest.



Marquette County offers events and activities honoring Veterans every year. * Memorial Day activities take place in every Village and the City of Montello. A special service is held each year at the Moundville Methodist Church where lilacs are placed on Veteran's graves.



* The public can attend flag burning ceremonies at the Westfield American Legion Hall, a touching and meaningful service.



*Montello Public Schools present a special Veterans program every year in November and the public is invited.



*Each year a motorcycle Thunder Run takes place in Westfield to raise money for the American Legion and VFW.

*The American Legions and VFWs in Marquette County sponsor a Youth Government Day each year for high school students. It's an entire day of learning about our country and government.



*Marquette County Senior Services presents a program remembering the victims of 9-11 that also honors Veterans. These are just a few of the activities that you can attend in Marquette County that honor Veterans. Watch for them in the



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Marquette County Veterans Memorials



Marquette County, Wisconsin

The communities of Marquette County honor Veterans with memorials as well as events held each year. Take a drive around beautiful Marquette County and stop to view memorials that honor the men and women who have served our country. These small town, meaningful markers represent America at its best, citizens who have taken it upon themselves to set down tangible tributes that honor those who have served in the military. Be it a piece of granite, a flag, a piece of military equipment, names on a wall..... the meaning behind the markers is the message that to honor another who steps up to serve makes us a nation proud, strong and committed to freedom and liberty, the ideals that begot our country. Taking time to visit a memorial is taking time to realize and pay tribute to ideas and events greater than ourselves as well as to those who were farmers, neighbors, school chums, brothers and others who became Veterans.



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3 Neshkoro The old mill town of Neshkoro honors Veterans

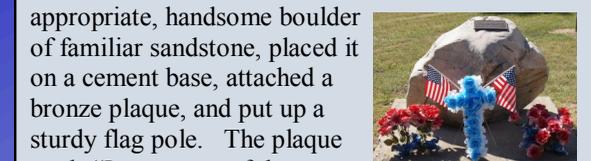


with a series of murals sponsored by Neshkoro VFW Post 10892 and American Legion Krause-Gley-Crane Post 423.



The murals are downtown in Veterans Memorial Park. Dean Dennis Crane was the first Marquette County serviceman to die in Viet Nam. His helicopter, of which he was crew chief, was shot down in Binh Dinh Province on June 21, 1967.

4 Harrisville The Town of Harris Veterans Memorial is in front of the Town Hall/Fire Department and old school on County Roads J and B. This memorial is truly from the heart. Citizens found an



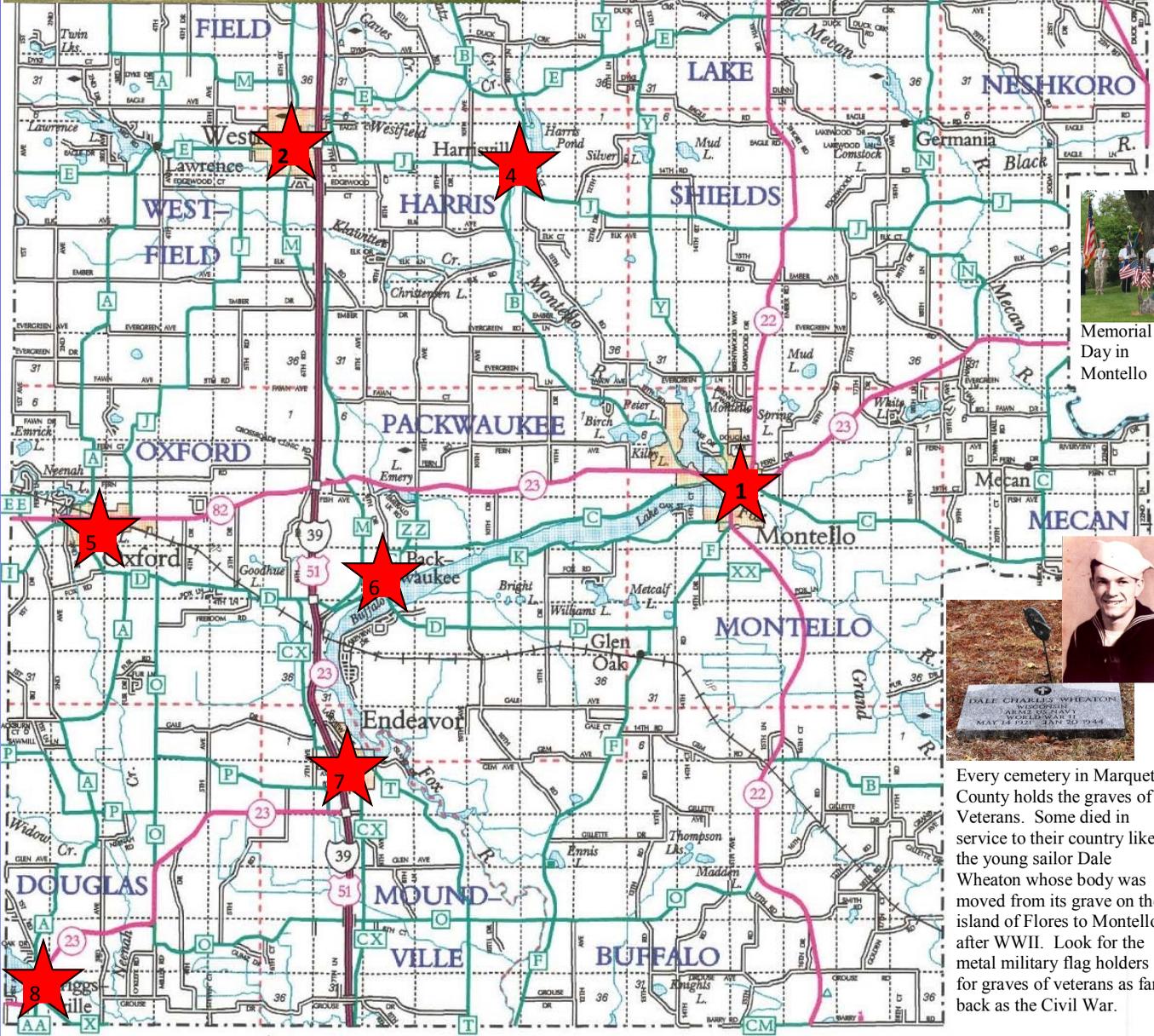
appropriate, handsome boulder of familiar sandstone, placed it on a cement base, attached a bronze plaque, and put up a sturdy flag pole. The plaque reads "In memory of those men and women from the Town of Harris who served in the Armed Forces of the United States." It was rededicated recently by VFW Eubank-Ulrich-Zuelke Post 8718 and American Legion Metz Moser Post 244, both from Westfield.

5 Oxford Neenah Valley VFW Post 6003 at N3250 1st Dr. just outside of the Village of Oxford, has an M60A3 tank. Read more about this tank in the Montello section. Stop in this friendly VFW post open to the public.





Marquette County Veterans Memorial dedicated 2014 Montello



1 Montello There are at least four stops you'll want to make in Montello. First, is the Marquette County Veterans Memorial in front of the Courthouse on Park Street. The Montello granite monument in the center was placed on the hill in 1929 at the urging of the Marquette County Chapter of the American War Mothers. It was moved to the present location in 2014. Walk up the hill and view two other granite markers in front of maple trees the Mothers planted, one in 1927 in memory of "our World War Boys" and the other in 1947 in memory of Women and Men Veterans of WWII. Your second stop is at the Weiske-Farrell American Legion Post 351 east of Montello on State Highway 23. The post is named after servicemen who lost their lives. George Weiske was a US Marine who died in 1919 in WWI in France. John Farrell was the first Montello serviceman killed in WWII. He lost his life in New Guinea. At the post you can view an M60A3 tank. The M60, a descendant of the M47 and M48 Patton tanks, was the first American tank to be given the designation "Main Battle Tank". The M60 series of tanks served the US from 1960 through 1991 before being replaced with the M1 Abrams tanks. Over 15,000 M60s were produced; with the M60A3 being the final production variant. The "TTS" suffix to the M60A3 model designation stands for "Tank Thermal Sight" for tanks fitted with the AN/VSG-2 thermal sight. Don't miss the Navy memorial with anchor in memory of Sonny Drew. Another stop in Montello is the City Cemetery on Underwood Avenue west of downtown. Relocated recently to the front of the cemetery is a Montello granite monument to the Unknown. The W.R.C. was the Women's Relief Corp, the auxiliary to the Grand Army of the Republic established for Civil War Veterans. The WRC was established nationally in 1883. The W.D. Walker G.A.R. was founded in Montello.



Memorial Day in Montello



Every cemetery in Marquette County holds the graves of Veterans. Some died in service to their country like the young sailor Dale Wheaton whose body was moved from its grave on the island of Flores to Montello after WWII. Look for the metal military flag holders for graves of veterans as far back as the Civil War.



2 Westfield Westfield has several stops for you including the M60A3 tank placed by VFW Eubank-Ulrich-Zuelke Post 8718 that sits on County Road J (2nd St) and Pioneer Drive just off I-39. Read about the M60 tank in the Montello section. Then head to 127 N. Main Street and view the beautiful memorial wall, sculpture, and mural. This site has a gazebo for sitting and reflecting as well as a flowing artesian fountain and an accessible fishing pier on the mill pond. Of special interest in Westfield is the grave of a Daughter of the American Revolution in the South Cemetery on South Main Street across from the fairgrounds. Mary "Polly" Crandall Barber's father fought in the Revolutionary War and her husband in the War of 1812. Then head to 125 Lawrence Street to the Marquette County Historical Society open Wednesdays 1-4, Sundays 1-4 in the summer and by appointment. You'll find an extensive collection of military history on exhibit, all from Marquette County. It includes Civil War, Spanish American War, WWI, WWII, Korea, Vietnam as well as other artifacts telling the stories of Veterans and those who waited for them back home.



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