

# Newsletter

Daugherty-Hamilton Post 234-Omro, WI

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Website: [www.omropost234.org](http://www.omropost234.org)

## FROM THE COMMANDER

Hello Comrades and friends,

The first annual pancake breakfast was a huge success. We made over \$800 the first year. Next year we'll advertise more and the event will continue to grow. This newsletter will have a new addition. John Vonderloh will have a monthly article on membership. Eddie Mason says the hats are in. He'll have them at the meeting this week for those who ordered them. I've heard in the past month some weren't happy that we had Senator Hopper at our meeting because he's a Republican. I've had a chance to think about that and I want to share my feelings on having him at our meeting. First of all I want to point out the American Legion is a nonpolitical organization. We don't endorse candidates of any party. When I said he could come to our meeting it wasn't so he could sway us to his way of thinking. It was so we could sway him to ours. He is the man with the vote in Madison, the one who can support Veteran issues and pass legislation that helps Veterans. If you want someone else at a meeting lets get them on the schedule so we can try to win them over to our side too. The annual post picnic is on the regular meeting night in August. Cocktails at 5:30 diner at 6:30 the cost is free. If you want to come to the picnic a sign up sheet will be at the meeting this week. We had a guest from the 1157 at our last meeting. He was impressed with our organization and we'll be finishing the adoption of their unit. We are gong to jointly adopt them with Post 70. We also had two guests from Post 70 in Oshkosh checking us out. They wanted to find out what makes us tick and why we're so successful. They left with a lot of ideas to take back to their home post. I hope we were able to help them it's just another example of Veterans helping Veterans. Bob Wipf has had another operation on his hip. It was still infected. He'll be on antibiotics for another 3 ½ months before they'll think about trying again. This was the third try since spring to replace the hip. Bob is home now and likes to have friends stop by to talk. It's all about Veterans helping Veterans, stop on by and help cheer up a fellow Veteran. We'll be going over and explaining the Post budget for the coming year this week. I hope to see all of you at this months meeting.

Yours in Comradeship

Rick Deiss

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Additional information about upcoming events can be found on the post website

7/22/09

Post 234 Regular Meeting 7:30 @ Tanner's Tap & Grill, Omro WI

7/23-7/26/09

American Legion Department of Wisconsin Convention @

Milwaukee

7/27/09

Korean War Ended (1953)

8/5/09

High Ground bike ride stops in Omro for ceremonies (see article)

8/9/09

King Day @ Wisconsin Veterans Home King WI

8/26/09

Annual summer picnic Miller Park Lower Shelter (see article)

## The Mission Of Daugherty-Hamilton Post 234 Is To Provide Services To Veterans, Their Families And Our Communities.

### MEMBERSHIP CHAIRMAN JOHN VONDERLOH

For those who attend the meetings and wish to pay their dues I will take care of you then. You can save the postage and the same for the post. We now have 125 members with 28 PUFL's. If you haven't heard we lost two of our members. Gerald Judd Frees and Elmer Manke. I know that some of you have just paid your 2009 dues which is fine. Our goal for this year is to have all our members paid up in December for 2010 as it will help the district and we will continue to be acknowledged as one of the best in the state. Also I will try to list each new member in the monthly newsletter.

For all you members that have email, please give us your email address as it will save the post considerable money in postage. A reminder, we only receive five dollars of the thirty in dues. If you have any questions you can contact me at (920) 252-1893

### THE HIGH GROUNDS BICYCLE RIDE

On August 5<sup>th</sup> at 3:15 there will be ceremonies held at our Veterans Memorial. Our Post has a major role in this statewide event. Dignitaries and honor guards from our unit and others will be in attendance. This bike ride is to raise funds for the construction of a Persian Gulf War Memorial at the High Grounds Veterans Park. Afterwards we will be having a meal with the riders at Tanner's Tap. If you want to attend the meal you'll need to sign up at this month's meeting so we have an accurate head count.

### Annual Summer Picnic

The picnic this year is free. Please sign up at the meeting so we know how much food and beverages to buy. Cocktails will be at 5:30 and dinner will be at 6:30. Come on down and relax and have fun with your friends. The picnic will once again be in the lower Miller Park shelter house. We will have the event rain or shine.