

Newsletter

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FROM THE COMMANDER

Hello Comrades and Friends

We recently attended the 6th District Spring Convention at C.J.s in Ripon on the 9th of April. Barb Belmont from Post 152 in Menasha was elected 6th District Commander. She will take over for Roy Helms following the state convention in July. Bob Wipf will be stepping down as Adjutant following the state convention. Anyone interested in the position of Post Adjutant please see Bob or myself and let us know of your desire. Our annual golf tournament is coming up the 21st of May at Lake Breeze, anyone not participating in the tournament please let Dave Steinert or someone else from the golf committee know that you would be willing to assist in the running of the event for a few hours to help make this a great event. All help will be greatly appreciated. Those of you whom are going to be out of the area the day of the event can have an opportunity the following weekend and can help the Memorial Committee with the dance. Thanks in advance for your support with these two major fund raising events. I am pleased to announce that Denise Rohan our State Vice-Commander has informed me that she is intending on attending our April meeting. She has heard of the many great things Omro Post 234 has been doing, and will be available to answer any questions you might have of her. Denise is also the national membership chairman. Denise will be the 1st state officer to attend a Post 234 meeting. I am looking forward to seeing you all at the meeting on the 27th of April.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Yours in Comradeship
Ken Flock

Additional information about upcoming events can be found on the post website: www.omropost234.org

- 4/20/11 **Post Executive Committee 7:00 PM Tanners Tap & Grill**
- 4/21/11 Winnebago County Council Of Veterans Organizations 9:30 AM @ James Coughlin Building
- 4/24/11 Happy Easter
- 4/27/11 **Post 234 Regular Meeting 7:30 PM @ Tanner's Tap & Grill, Omro, WI**
- 4/30/11 Vietnam War ends (1975)
- 4/30/11 Battle of Dai Do began (1975)
- 5/05/11 Fall of Corregidor (1942)
- 5/05/11 National Day Of Prayer
- 5/08/11 VE Remembrance Day (1945)
- 5/08/11 Mothers Day
- 5/17/11 Veterans Job Fair, (10AM-3PM) National Guard Armory, Appleton
- 5/18/11 **Post Executive Committee 7:00 PM Tanners Tap & Grill**
- 5/19/11 Winnebago County Council Of Veterans Organizations 9:30 AM @ James Coughlin Building
- 5/21/11 Armed Forces Day
- 5/21/11 6th Annual Post 234 Golf Tournament @ Lakeside Golf Course Winneconne
- 5/21/11 Greenlawn Memorial Park Armed Forces Day Program 1:00 PM
- 5/25/11 **Post 234 Regular Meeting 7:30 PM @ Tanner's Tap & Grill, Omro, WI**
- 5/28/11 **Veterans Memorial Dance @ American Bank Pavilion, Scott Park 6-12 PM (see article)**
- 5/29/11 Memorial Day Services Work Day (Contact Ken Flock 685-6858 to see how you can help)
- 5/30/11 **Memorial Day Parade/Ceremony starting at 9:00 AM**



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



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Members At Large

John Vonderloh (3 yr)

Ken Jungwirth (2 yr)

Dean Larsen (1 yr)

MEMBERSHIP REPORT

Here we are ready for our trip to the High Grounds. We should have a great time with fellow legionnaires and friends. Last month we gained another two new members.

Debra Johnson and James Salzwedel. Debra lives in Waupaca and James lives in Waukau. Welcome to the best post in the State. Also I ran into a life member Bob Gruetzmacher who will turn 80 soon. I know that all members can't make our meetings, but for those of you that do, thank you. Vondy.

CHAPLAINS CORNER

Phillip was born with Down's syndrome. He attended a third-grade Sunday school class with several 8 year-old boys and girls. Typical of that age, the kids didn't really accept Philip with his differences. But because of a creative teacher, they began to care about Philip and accept him as part of the group, though not fully. The Sunday after Easter the teacher brought Legg's pantyhose containers, the kind that look like large eggs. The children were told to go outside on that that day and find some symbol for new life, and put it in their "egg". Back in the classroom, they would share their new-life symbols, opening the containers one by one. After running about the church property in wild confusion, the students returned to the classroom and placed their "eggs" on the table. Surrounded by the kids the teacher began to open them one by one. After each one, whether it was a flower, butterfly, or leaf, the class would ooh and ahh. Then one was opened, revealing nothing inside. The children exclaimed, "That's stupid. That's not fair. Somebody didn't do their assignment." Philip spoke up, "That's mine." "Philip, you don't ever do things right!" the student retorted. "There's nothing there!" "I did so do it," Philip insisted. "I did do it. It's empty. The tomb was empty!" Silence followed. From then on Philip became a full member of the class. He died not long afterward from an infection most normal children would have shrugged off. At his funeral this class of eight-year-olds marched up to the altar not with flowers, but with their Sunday school teacher, each to lay on it an empty Legg's pantyhose egg. Happy Easter.



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I OWE YOU!
It's part of our deal!

MEET YOUR MEMBER-AT-LARGE

DEAN LARSEN

Charter member of Post 234
Commander of the Honor/Color Guard.
Member of the Memorial Committee/Tribunal.
Member of the United Veterans Honor Guard
Winnebago County 40 & 8 Voiture Locale 751
where I am the Chef De Train (1st vice) and
Directour of the Flags for 1st graders program.
Am proud to be associated with such fine
veterans groups.



CONSOLIDATED POST REPORT (CPR)

Each year the Post files a CPR report with the National American Legion Organization. This report is used to provide information to Congress about the combined activities of the members of the American Legion. I have attached a form with this newsletter for each Post member to record your activities this past year. Record your hours and any expenses spent on you activities. Use additional sheets if needed. Please complete the form and bring it to the April Post meeting or send it to Bob Wipf 8004 Broadway Rd. Omro, WI 54963 or wipfbc@gmail.com

MEMORIAL DANCE - MAY 28, 2011

The Omro Veterans Memorial is having a public dance (6-12PM) at the American Bank Pavilion in Scott Park. DJ Dan Sanchez will provide the music. Everyone is invited to join us. Veterans should show up by 7 PM for a Veteran's Tribute. There will be a sign up sheet at the Post meeting. We need help with food service, the bar, and clean up the night of the dance.

THE HIGHGROUND – BY ED GOSS

The trip to “The HighGround” on Saturday, April 16 was a great day with a bunch of great Veterans and their ladies. The bad weather did dampen the day considerably. I spent 10 minutes out in the cold and got chilled to the point where I never thawed out until a couple hours after I got home. The placing of the Legacy Stone for Ted Nortman was touching and greatly appreciated by the family. Before we left The HighGround Mary came to the bus and thanked the Post for everything we did. We have to respect out Honor Guard and Rifle Squad for braving the elements. A big thank you to them and the rest of the participants; Dave LeMieux led the Pledge Of Allegiance, Julie Quinn sang the National Anthem, Dave Schmude rang the Liberty Bell with Gary Schmude being the flagger, John Vonderloh and Ken Jungwirth read the KIA names from action in Iraq and Afghanistan, Gordon Cady didn't miss a note playing taps, and Eugene Ertmer helped mix the dirt with Kirk Rodman prior to the placing of the Legacy Stones. Thanks to the following Post members who provided sandwiches and cookies for our lunch: Jack Haynes, Earl Miller, Shorty Miller, Ken Jungwirth, and Bob Wipf. I'm sure their wives helped. Gordon Cady provided Keebler cookies and crackers. A Super thanks to Earl Miller for his efforts in solciting the beer, soda, water, ice, chips, and cheese. These efforts resulted in no expense for the Post. The following businesses donated; Veola Environmental Services, Starlight Bar, Kwik Trip, Condon Omro Store, General Beverage, and Omro Building Center. These people support us, we should support them. Once again a big thank you to Earl for a job well done. One last note, the Legacy Stone for Chuck Albashian will be placed on June 11th at The HighGround. There will be no bus.



America will never be destroyed from the outside. If we falter, and lose our freedoms, it will be because we destroyed ourselves. ~Abraham Lincoln

CONSOLIDATED POST REPORT ~~MONTHLY~~ WORKSHEET
ANNUAL

PROGRAMS	ACTIVITIES	\$ EXPENSES	MAN HOURS	# PARTICIPATING OR HELPED
<u>VA & R</u> (Cases Handled, Funds Disbursed, Volunteer at VA Hospital)				
<u>National Security</u> (# Blood Donors and Pints, ROTC Medals)				
<u>Public Relations</u> (Community Events, Mention in Media: <i>Radio, TV, Cable, Newspaper</i>)				
<u>Uniformed Groups</u> (Funeral Honors, Cost of Uniforms)				
<u>Economics</u> (Referred to LVER or DVOP, Placed in Employment, Job Training)				
<u>Americanism</u>				
<u>Children & Youth</u>				
Boys State, Baseball, Oratorical Contest, Shooting Sports				
Scouting				
Scholarships				
School Awards				
Other Educational Programs				
Flag Education/School Flags				
Other Children & Youth Programs				
Community Service (donated hall usage, flag presentation at community events, Main St. Flag program, ect.)				
<u>Administrative Costs</u> (paper, equipment, postage, etc.) list program				
<u>Contributions</u> (Hall rental for Red Cross, other civic activities)				
<u>Other</u>				

POST MEMBER NAME _____

This tally sheet can help you keep a monthly record of the work your post does in the programs of The American Legion. Using these forms monthly allows you to complete the Consolidated Post reports when they are published by National.