



DAUGHERTY-HAMILTON POST 234

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Post meetings held the 4th Wednesday of the month, S.A.L. sessions held the 3rd Monday of the month and Auxiliary meetings held the 3rd Thursday of the month at Tanner's Tap & Grill, 207 W. Main St., Omro.

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OMRO VETERANS MEMORIAL

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COMMANDER'S MESSAGE

Greetings Comrades and Friends,

Well it has been awhile since we have been able to get together but if all goes well, we will be having a meeting June 24, 2020 at 7:00 p m at Tanners Tap. Looking forward to seeing everyone, social distancing will be in place and face masks are encouraged. This is all about our fellow comrades.

The Memorial Day program though smaller than usual and at the last minute was a great success and a big THANK YOU to all who helped clean up and put on the ceremony, we couldn't do it without you.

Dewey Foote set up our poppy distribution the first weekend in June. Thanks to everyone who sat for their time at Festival Foods. We did very well again this year. If you didn't have time to help out this year try and keep it in your plans for next year.

With so much of what we usually do having been cancelled or delayed this summer there is much to do with the time that is left. Please attend what you can and have fun but, please be safe. Looking forward to seeing all of you at our next post meeting June 24th at Tanners.

Respectfully,

Commander Gary Allen

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CHAPLAINS CORNER

Well another month is here and things are starting to look somewhat better. We have one member that is recovering at home. I sent him a card. Keep Robert Schulz in your prayers. Also keep our country in your prayers for this virus that it can let us get back to normal. I continue to improve from my surgery and now at the end of the month my wife is going to have surgery. Keep her in your prayers also. Other than that, I don't have anything else to report. Till next month, I am your Chaplain Tom Artz

Tom Artz

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MEMBERSHIP REPORT

We finished this year with 12 new members and ended with a total of 203 paid members. National will soon begin mailing out 2021 renewal notices. Our dues will remain the same, \$35.00. You can pay me at our next meeting, by check through the mail or after July 1st, go to <http://omropost234.org> and pay on line. Thank you.

Dave Steinert, Membership Chair

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August 1, 2020 – Legacy Stone Ceremony Placement. The family of Dave Schmude will be placing a Legacy Stone in his honor. Please contact Dean Larsen at (920) 420-0024 or email dlarsen513@gmail.com if you plan on going so the family can plan on what is needed for lunch. The ceremony will begin at 2:00 pm, but we will leave around 8:30-9:00 am. More details will be in the next newsletter. We are looking for volunteers to help during the ceremony (Color Guard, reading names, ringing the bell, leading the Pledge, singing the National Anthem, etc.). Thank you and stay safe. Dean

S.A.L. COMMANDER'S MESSAGE

Hello Friends,

Despite what has been going on with U.S. events, let us take a moment to honor our great nation with Flag Day on June 14th. Wishing the Legion Family to stay healthy, we are not out of the woods yet with this world epidemic. Have an enjoyable 4th of July with your families and wonderful summer!

S.A.L. Commander
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AUXILIARY PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Hello there! Let me start off with a bit of good news. Our Unit was presented with a Certificate of Appreciation for our donation towards the American Legion Auxiliary Emergency Fund (see picture below).

This fund is a national grant assistance program that provides temporary emergency assistance (up to \$2,400) to eligible members of the American Legion Auxiliary who have endured a significant financial setback as the result of an act of nature or other personal crisis.

Members of the American Legion Auxiliary whose dues are current and who have maintained membership for three consecutive years (the current year and immediate past two years) are eligible to apply in the wake of a financial crisis. Temporary assistance may be considered when:

- * A financial crisis hits, leaving a member without resources for shelter or utilities, and no other source of aid is readily available.
- * A natural disaster or weather emergency leaves a member without shelter or food.

As you can imagine, there are many families who may be in need of this financial assistance, this year more than ever. Thank you for continuing to pay your dues and contribute to our Unit in whatever way you can so that we can pay it forward to others.

This month we have decided to not have a regular meeting. Instead, the Executive Committee will meet and go over some of the items that have been put on hold these last few months. If you have anything you would like brought up at this meeting, please contact me. Ideas, suggestions, comments and concerns are always welcomed!

I hope this message finds you doing well. If you ever are in need of assistance or just want to talk, feel free to give me a call or email message any time. In the meantime, take care of yourself, your family and enjoy the summer months.

Blessings,

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AUXILIARY CHAPLAIN

This Spring has been filled with unprecedented events everywhere we look. Many businesses are closed, but open for curbside pickup. School buildings are closed, but instruction & graduations took place virtually. Visits with friends or family were done by FaceTime, Zoom or other technical ways. Protests are taking place and Wisconsin had a Tropical Storm.

Nothing felt right ... except kindness, caring, generosity, understanding. These things should never end!! Your selfless acts don't have to be huge, just genuine and from the heart.

Birthday wishes this month go to our Auxiliary sisters: Lauryn Rammer, Elianna Luther and Linda Verwiel. Remember those who are facing physical challenges and recovery: Janet Becker, Diana Artz and Jamie Whitaker-White.

"Let your gentleness be evident to all." Philippians 4:5

Peace to all,
Kathy Boettner, Chaplain
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Memorial Day
2020





OMRO VETERANS MEMORIAL

Our Veterans Memorial

This month we pass the halfway point on honoring our lost and missing servicemen. By the end of the year we will have finished telling the full story on our Veterans Memorial.

Dewey C. Josephson

Dewey C. Josephson was born February 4, 1916 in Foxholm, North Dakota. He was the son of Mrs. Hulda L. Rees. Dewey also had a brother, Carroll of Pickett. When Dewey was 12 years old, the family moved to Oshkosh. Before his enlistment, Dewey was employed on the Levi Jones farm in the town of Utica and was a member of the Masonic Lodge of Rosendale.

Dewey entered the service June 14, 1941 and went overseas September 5, 1943. He was in England from that time until the invasion of the Normandy Beaches in France in late June of 1944. He served in the 3rd Armored Division of Hodges First Army, nicknamed "The Spearhead Division". In recognition of the division's role as the spearhead of many attacks during the liberation of France in 1944. The 3rd Armored Division advanced rapidly eastward to the eastern border of Germany and on to capture the city of Cologne. From the time of his enlistment in June of 1941, to the time of his death, Dewey rose to the rank of Staff Sergeant. It was while Dewey was serving with the 3rd Armored Division that they discovered the Dora-Mittelbau concentration camp and immediately began transporting 250 ill and starving prisoners to nearby hospital facilities. Shortly after the discovery and rescue, Dewey gave the ultimate sacrifice for his country. He was killed in action on April 17, 1945, He was 29 years of age.

Yours in Comradeship,
Rick Deiss,
Past Commander Post 234