



# DAUGHERTY-HAMILTON POST 234

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Post meetings held the 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday of the month and Auxiliary meetings held the 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of the month at Tanner's Tap & Grill, 207 W. Main St., Omro.  
S.A.L. sessions held 1<sup>st</sup> Monday of the month.

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## COMMANDER'S MESSAGE

Happy New Year, I hope everyone had a fun and safe holiday season. It should be another fun year for the Post, hopefully we can get everyone involved in everything we do. We need someone willing to chair the County Youth Government Day, if you are willing, please let me know.

Hope to see all of you on the 24<sup>th</sup>.

Thanks,  
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## CHAPLAINS CORNER

Greetings Legion Family and Happy New Year,

I will be at my home in Florida until the April meeting and Duane Canon will cover my Chaplain duties while I'm gone. Since the November meeting there has been no report to me on any sickness or distress. The only one with health issues is myself as I have been in the VA hospital in Orlando with a severe infection and ulcer in my left leg that developed blood clots which they have addressed. I am under home care with Enhabit Home Health and Hospice and once a week back in the VA hospital with their wound center until further notice and observation. Hopefully everything should improve and get better.

*"The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want." Psalm 23:1*

Your Post 234 Chaplain  
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## S.A.L. MESSAGE

Hello Friends & Happy New Year

I need continuous prayers for my dad John Sr. as he is battling a left leg infection since Christmas. Dad spent 5 days at the Orlando VA Hospital. At-home nurses are visiting him. He is going back to Hospital to see wound specialist for further stay as well as numerous VA clinic appointments.

There will be no SAL meeting this month, as I will be in Florida with my Dad.

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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Hello and Happy New Year!

We are going to kick off 2024 running, my friends! On January 25<sup>th</sup> we will be co-hosting a community event with the Omro Area Community Center. I'm very proud to announce Damascus Road Project will be doing a presentation on human trafficking. You may not realize it, but there are more enslaved people alive today than any other time in history. Damascus Road Project was founded in 2009 and is dedicated to fighting the evil of human trafficking and sexual exploitation. Please help us get the word out about the upcoming presentation. It only takes one person to make a difference.

At our January meeting, we will be choosing American Legion programs and community organizations to donate to as well as discussing more fundraising ideas. I hope you can join us at Tanner's Tap on January 18<sup>th</sup> beginning at 6:30pm in the dining room section. If at any time you want to attend but need a ride, just let me know. We also can Facetime our meetings if you are interested in attending that way.

We have a lot to discuss and I'm so excited to see what 2024 will bring! Until then, Please remember to check on your neighbors & family, stay warm, and be kind –

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## AUXILIARY SUNSHINE COMMITTEE

Believe it or not there are no January Birthdays. Looking ahead, most waited until February! Just remember if you want to see the Sun or Son shine you just have to keep looking up!!

Have a wonderful day!

Sunshine Chairman  
Teri Curtis

## WHAT'S HAPPENING

### *CALENDAR OF EVENTS*

- 01/15 Bingo @ Omro Bowhunters**
- 01/18 Legion Auxiliary Unit Meeting 6:30 PM @ Tanner's**
- 01/24 Post Executive Committee Meeting 6:00 PM @ Tanner's**
- 01/24 Post 234 Regular Meeting 7:00 PM @ Tanner's**
- 01/25 Damascus Road Project, Bridge of Faith Baptist Church, Omro**

### ***BINGO VOLUNTEERS NEEDED\* MONDAY, JANUARY 15<sup>TH</sup>***

Set-up starts at 8:30 am on the day of bingo (third Monday of every month). In addition to setting up tables and chairs, we must make sure the equipment is set up and working properly.

The doors open at 5:00 pm and bingo starts at 6:30 pm. Volunteers sell bingo cards and raffle tickets, work the cash register, are floor workers and bingo callers and clean-up at the end of the night.



## DAMASCUS ROAD PROJECT

Bridge of Faith Baptist Church  
124 E Main St, Omro, WI

The Omro American Legion Auxiliary and Omro Area Community Center are proud to bring Damascus Road Project to the Omro community. Join us as we learn more about human trafficking in our area, across the US, and abroad.

Damascus Road Project is a non-profit organization. They are dedicated to fighting the evil of human trafficking and sexual exploitation by bringing awareness through educating the public. They are committed to help prevent & abolish human trafficking and empower those who have been abused.

This presentation is free to the public and we encourage you to attend. Seating is limited. Doors open at 5:30pm and the presentation will begin at 6:00pm. For more information on Damascus Road Project visit their website at [www.damascusroadproject.org](http://www.damascusroadproject.org)

### WISCONSIN AMERICAN LEGION

### 2024 MIDWINTER CONFERENCE

January 18 - 21, 2024

Radisson Hotel

200 Harbor View Plaza, La Crosse, WI 54601

Join us in La Crosse for the 100<sup>th</sup> Midwinter Conference. The Midwinter Conference is full of planning, learning and fun and has become the year. For more information go to the Department website: [www.wilegion.org/midwinter](http://www.wilegion.org/midwinter)