



AMERICAN LEGION



DAUGHERTY-HAMILTON POST 234

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Post/SAL meetings held the 4th Wednesday 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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COMMANDER'S MESSAGE

Greetings All,

Legion Softball/Baseball should be finished for the year. I hope you were able to catch a game or two of the teams we support.

The Sheepshead Tournament and the Kids Fishery was a tremendous success last month! Ken Flock continues to up the level each year with prizes and number of boats. Dave Lemieux and Kari Vonderloh-Havrilla had knock-out attendance with the Kids fishery, 50+ participants! Many favorable comments from adults on the Kids Fishery – thanks Dave and Kari!!!

Storage purging happened on the 15th. Still need an inventory done – look for more information to come.

Department (State) convention held 16 – 20 July had great speakers. My personal favorite was John Armbruster, author of “Tailspin.” Fascinating story of WWII tail gunner Gene Moran, a Wisconsin native. Our Post received the Post Excellence Award. We had to qualify in four different areas: Community Activity; 90% Renewal Rate; Consolidated Post Report submitted on time; Membership – (a) attain 103% of our goal, (b) one post officer attend district meetings, we have three! Membership is always a challenge; Kari accepted the award for our post at our last meeting. The big story is Dave Steinert elected State Vice Commander! Be sure to give him a big congrats when you see him.

Winnebago County Fair Veterans Day was the 1st of August. Too hot for me, but I hope some of you were able to take advantage of the day.

Bingo is coming up on the 18th of August. Really need assistance with set up in the morning. If you could spare an hour; it is a wonderful way to socialize and reconnect outside of our meeting nights.

National Convention is coming up and Dave will be attending. If he is back in time, I am sure he will have plenty of news to share at our next Post meeting on the 27th of August.

I have been asked a few times why the different Legion caps. This was a little confusing to me when I was a fresh member. Attached to this newsletter is a reference guide to the caps of the Legion, Auxiliary and Sons. Hope you find this helpful.

On top of the HOT and HUMID weather, the wildfire smoke has added another layer of concern for some with health issues. Keep checking on each other and let me or one of our officers know if help or assistance is needed.

Best,
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CHAPLAIN'S CORNER

As of today, we have no reports of distress or sickness. If you have any reports of sickness or distress, send me an email bigshu03@gmail.com or text me at 920-376-2063 or leave a message. Have a great day and may God bless.

Chaplain Chuck Schumacher

Legionnaires having birthday this month are: Dakota Heried, Maynard Collins, Mark Bohm, Miquel Bernabe Ortiz Dean, Gary Allen, Lyle Wink, Sue Koon, Ed Pierce, Sheila Steinert, Ralph Beck, Dave Tellock, Paul Steinert, James Lange, David Mrstik, and Wesley Fuller Happy Birthday to all!!

S.A.L. MESSAGE

Hello Friends-

I attended the SAL Detachment Convention and it was a very productive weekend. I will be attending the National Convention in Tampa Aug. 22-24 as a state delegate for the SAL. The 7th Annual WaukauFest will be Saturday Sept. 6 from 2-8pm at the Waukau Youth Community Center. Live Music by Drew Hicks & Friends. Please help support our fundraiser event. All Veterans will be honored at 6pm

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AUXILIARY PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Hello everyone,

I hope this message find you all doing well and enjoying the summer months. Our next Auxiliary event is the annual Care Package Drive which will be on Sunday, September 14th. We will be at the Omro Pharmacy from 10:00am – 2:00pm. Please consider helping by shopping for care package items, volunteering the day of the collection, and hanging up posters and sharing the event on Facebook.

We also want contact information for any active-duty service members who would appreciate a package from home. If you have someone(s) in mind, please get in touch with our National Security Committee Chairperson, Kathy Boettner, at (262) 719-5264 or kkboettner@outlook.com. As you know, there are many who have been deployed recently and we want to show our support as best as we can.

Coming up at our next meeting, Thursday, August 21st, we welcome our 2025 Badger State Girls, Lexi Rilling and Lainey Eckstein, for a recap of their experience. I'm eager to hear about their week at Badger Girls and anyone who would like to hear more about this particular ALA program is welcome to join us that night.

Until then, stay cool, stay safe, and remember to be kind -

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AUXILIARY CHAPLAIN'S CORNER

The Auxiliary has more than a few members who have birthdays this month! Help us celebrate the following ALA #234 sisters: Barbara Maloney, Amy Raygo, Ginny Braun, Angie Schuster, Natalia Serate, Debbie Wagner, Ashlee Kallas and Judy Lloyd. Happy birthday!!

Currently, I am not aware of any sickness or other distress among our members and families. Please let me know if you are aware of concerns.

Remember that every day holds the possibility of a miracle. Be that miracle for someone!

God's Peace to you,
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BINGO VOLUNTEERS NEEDED* MONDAY, AUGUST 18, 2025 Omro Bowhunters Club, 1230 E Main St, Omro

Volunteers needed for set-up starts at 8:30 am on the day of bingo. 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. Training for all positions.

OMRO AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY SUPPORT OUR TROOPS CARE PACKAGE DRIVE

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 14, 2025

10am – 2pm

OMRO PHARMACY DRIVE-THRU

Requested Items For Care Packages -

Personal hygiene items (under 12oz): baby wipes, lens cleaning spray & cloths, lip balm, hand & foot warmers, eye drops, foot powder, shampoo, conditioner, lotion, sunscreen, cough drops, face moisturizer, hair ties, razors, toothbrushes, toothpaste, deodorant (men & women), bobby pins, topical anti-itch cream, pain relief cream, fingernail clippers, fingernail files. **No aerosol products**

Snacks: Gum, non-melting candy, beef jerky, Slim Jims, tuna pouches, chicken pouches, trail mix, nuts, microwave popcorn, instant oatmeal packets, hot cocoa packets, powdered drink mixes, instant coffee, fruit snacks, granola bars, sunflower & pumpkin seeds, cookies, microwaveable meals. **No large bags of snacks**

Special misc. items: AAA, AA, C, & 9v batteries, cotton or wool socks (men & women), travel-size games, dice & dice cup, stationery, pens, small notepads, envelopes, puzzle books, holiday decorations, sports team decorations, sewing kits, small flashlights, 3M strips & hooks, fly paper, encouraging/thinking of you letters & colored pictures.

No hardcover books

Monetary Donations are also accepted. Mail to: Omro ALA#234, PO Box 234, Omro, WI 54963

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- 08/18 **Bingo @ Omro Bowhunters**
- 08/21 **Auxiliary Unit Meeting 6:30 PM @ Tanner's**
- 08/27 **Post Executive Committee Meeting 5:30 PM @ Tanner's**
- 08/27 **Post 234 Regular Meeting 7:00 PM @ Tanner's**
- 09/01 **Labor Day**
- 09/02 **ALA Winnebago County Council Mtg. 5:30 PM @ OACC**
- 09/06 **WaukauFest**
- 09/14 **Troops Care Package Drive**

The Post received an award in Recognition of Post Excellence. To qualify for the Post Excellence Award, a post is required to achieve excellence in four areas: membership (103% of goal), submission of the Consolidated Post Report (CPR), attaining a 90% renewal rate, and completing a community activity.



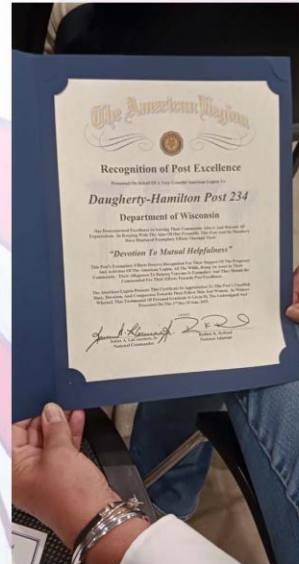
100% American Legion Family flag ribbons were given because the Post, SAL and Auxiliary each reached at least 100% of their individual membership goals.



Then, all the new years officers, you voted for, took their oath of office. Thank them for volunteering and please do everything you can to help them out. They all represent you, the legion and Omro American legion post 234.



Department Convention Hyatt Regency/KI Center, Green Bay Highlights



American Legion Uniform Caps



Sons of the American Legion



Soft Cover Commander's Book

The blurb company has a 30% off sale all August. If you want your own now and want the deal, follow the link. \$18.17 per copy, plus tax and shipping, before the 30% off price. You can also see the book in the preview on the same page.



If you want one now, here is the link...

<https://www.blurb.com/b/12498616-omro-american-legion-2021-to-2024>

Portraits at the Family Picnic



This year at the Legion Family Picnic, David Schuhart, our Historian, will be taking free single and family Portraits. For the next Commanders book & an internal directory. Just bring a smile!

