



# AMERICAN LEGION



## DAUGHERTY-HAMILTON POST 234

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Post/SAL meetings held the 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday of at Wedgewood Golf Course, 1200 E Huron St, Omro. Auxiliary meetings held the 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of the month at the Omro Public Library, 405 E Huron St, Omro.

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### COMMANDER'S MESSAGE

Hello Comrades!

For having our meeting at Wedgewood for the first time there was a great turn out, seen some of you for the first time in months and it was great to catch up! We will be meeting there again on May 26.

Last night, along with Diane Steinert from the Auxiliary and Dave Schuhart our historian, I attended scholarship night at Omro High School. On behalf of Post 234 two Scholarships were handed out, Tanner Piper received the Baseball Scholarship; Tyler Rowlands received the Scholastic Scholarship – worth \$500.00. We were also able to recognize four of our Student of the Month recipients. Dave did a wonderful job capturing each of the students receiving their awards. Look for photos on our Facebook page, Omro Herald, and a future copy of the Badger Legionnaire.

As May is the observance of Comrades past, we will be placing Flags at three cemeteries this year: Forest Hill; St. Thomas; and Liberty Prairie. Please contact **Dean Quast** (920-527-8065) to help and get more information. Forest Hill and St. Thomas are two small cemeteries, will not need too many volunteers. Liberty Prairie has a larger population of veteran's – a few more volunteers needed here.

BINGO on the 18<sup>th</sup> – We do not have to set up or tear down tables and chairs this month. We do have to set up / take down our BINGO equipment, so come on out and enjoy some socializing while a light set up / take down is happening.

**A cool fact:** On August 31, 1949, Secretary of Defense Louis Johnson created Armed Forces Day with the first celebration held on May 20, 1950, themed “Teamed for Defense”. This unification was established to replace the separate Army, Navy, Marine Corps, Air Force, and Coast Guard Days. Be sure to make our meeting in May as our Auxiliary will be honoring us with snacks for the meeting!

Have you called or visited your County Veteran's Service Office lately? If you have not, and need to check in, contact information is below:

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920-303-3030 – FAX

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Neenah, WI 54956  
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See you at Wedgewood on Tuesday May 26!

Commander Laura Heried

920-859-5003

[cdrlaurapost234@gmail.com](mailto:cdrlaurapost234@gmail.com)

## CHAPLAIN'S CORNER

I currently have no reports of sickness or distress to share. If you have any updates to provide, please call or text me at (920) 376-2063. You may also reach me via email at [bigshu03@gmail.com](mailto:bigshu03@gmail.com). Stay safe and God bless.

Chuck Schumacher, Post #234 Chaplain

Legionnaires having birthday in May are Steve Goller, Paris Anderson, Mike Gilbertson, Kaylee Kriha, Dean Larsen, Scott Wagner, Charles Mier, Richard Coffren, Robert Lee, Gary Johnston, Mark Allermann and Wayne Manning. Happy Birthday to all!!

If your name is not noted, please send an email or text message to Kari Vonderloh ([kariian@yahoo.com](mailto:kariian@yahoo.com) or 920-379-5009) so we can update your birthday on our roster.

## AUXILIARY PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Hello Legion Family,

I truly hope you are all doing well. This month we are joining with the Samantha James Boutique in Omro for a fundraiser. The boutique has offered us a percentage of all purchases made on Saturday, May 16<sup>th</sup>! Stop into Samantha James Boutique that day and support the Auxiliary with a little local shopping excursion. Thank you, Samantha, for this generous offer of support.

We may occasionally participate in the Omro Thursday Night Market this summer with a bake sale as another fundraiser idea. Stay tuned and I'll let you know when to get your baking aprons on! If you have any other ideas for us to get our name out there and raise money for our Auxiliary programs, please get in touch with me.

Our next meeting will be on Thursday, May 21<sup>st</sup> at 6:30pm. Remember, our meeting location is now the Alder Room of the Omro Public Library where we enter on the side door. If you need a ride or are unable to attend in person, let me know and we can arrange transportation or have you join us via phone.

Until then, take care & be kind -

Jodi Kallas, President  
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## AUXILIARY CHAPLAIN'S CORNER

*"After winter comes summer. After night comes the dawn. And after every storm, there comes clear, open skies." — Samuel Rutherford*

This month our Auxiliary has only one member with a birthday. We'd like to wish a very Happy Birthday to our faithful member Diane Steinert! Please extend your personal wishes when you see her!

At this time, we are not aware of any new concerns in our membership. We'd like to remember all those affected by recent flooding. Remember that there are still numerous sites and organizations collecting donations of money and supplies.

God's peace to you,  
Kathy Boettner  
(262)719-5264  
[kkboettner@outlook.com](mailto:kkboettner@outlook.com)

## S.A.L. MESSAGE

Hello Friends,

Please come out and support the 6<sup>th</sup> District SAL Brat Fry, Saturday May 30<sup>th</sup>, from 10-2 at the Fond du Lac Post 75. All proceeds will go towards our ALF Dog Program.

John Hoeft II, Squadron Commander

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### *CALENDAR OF EVENTS*

- 05/10 *Mother's Day*
- 05/16 **Legion Golf Outing, Lake Breeze Golf Course, Winneconne**
- 05/18 **Bingo @ Omro Bowhunters**
- 05/21 **Legion Auxiliary Unit Meeting 6:30 PM @ Omro Library**
- 05/22 **National Poppy Day – poppy distribution at Red's Piggly Wiggly, Omro**
- 05/25 **Memorial Day**
- 05/26 **Post Executive Committee Meeting 5:30 PM @ Wedgewood**
- 05/26 **Post 234 Regular Meeting 7:00 PM @ Wedgewood**
- 05/30 **SAL Brat Fry @ Fond du Lac Post 75**

## **21<sup>ST</sup> ANNUAL GOLF TOURNAMENT**

Our annual golf tournament will be held Saturday, May 16, 2026 at Lake Breeze Golf Course in Winneconne. Volunteers, please arrive by 7:45 am. **Raffle Prizes** - If you still have items to donate, please contact Diane Steinert at 920-573-1846 to arrange pick up.



**MONDAY, May 18, 2026**

**Omro Bowhunters Club, 1230 E Main St, Omro**

**Doors open at 5:00 pm and bingo starts at 6:30 pm.**

### **🌸 National Poppy Day<sup>®</sup>, May 22, 2026**

On National Poppy Day<sup>®</sup>, May 22, 2026 the members of The American Legion Post 234 and American Legion Auxiliary Unit 234 will be distributing red poppies from 9:00 am. to 6:00 pm at Red's Piggly Wiggly, 142 Alder Ave, Omro. There are times available from 10:00 am to 12:00 pm and 2:00 pm to 4:00 pm to assist with distribution. If you could spare an hour to help with this important fundraiser, please contact Kathy Boettner at (262)719-5264. Thank-you!

**Volunteers Needed** – We will be setting Veteran Memorial Flags at the Forest Hill, St. Thomas and Liberty Prairie Cemeteries on Saturday, May 23<sup>rd</sup> at 10:00 am. If you can help out or have any questions, please contact Dean Quast, (920)527-8065 or [quastdean@gmail.com](mailto:quastdean@gmail.com)

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## *MEMORIAL DAY - Monday, May 25<sup>th</sup>*

Procession begins at 9:00 am at the E Huron & Jackson St Intersection (8:30 am line-up). A trailer will be provided for those who prefer to ride. The Memorial Day Program will begin at approximately 9:30 am at the Omro/Rushford Firehouse.

*Attention all Color Guard members.* If you are able to march in the procession for Memorial Day, be at the E Huron & Jackson St Intersection by 8:30. Full uniform with black ascot. We will also be posting colors at the Firehouse and doing the rifle salute.

### **POST OFFICER NOMINATIONS & ELECTIONS**

Nominations are being accepted for the following elected positions: Commander, 1<sup>st</sup> Vice Commander, 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice Commander, Chaplain, two (2) Sergeant-at-Arms, Service Officer, Historian, Parliamentarian, and one (1) Executive Committee Member-at-large. If you are interested in stepping up or know someone that is, please contact Nominating Committee Chairman Dean Larsen at (920) 420-0024.

Elections shall be held at our regular Post meeting in June. The Nominating Committee shall present its recommendations for each Post elective office. Nominations from the floor shall be opened at this meeting.

Also, if you would be interested in any of the appointed positions (Adjutant, Finance Officer, and Honor/Color Guard Commander), let the Post Commander know as he/she will be asking after the elections.

## **Winnebago County Youth Government Day**



Thanks to the Dean Larsen, Dean Quast, Kari Vonderloh, and Dave Schuhart for taking up my slack at the County Youth Government Day!

Winnebago County Commander Gary Schmude