DAUGHERTY-HAMILTON POST 234

PO Box 234, Omro, WI 54963-0234 www.omropost234.org

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

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COMMANDER'S MESSAGE

Post 234 Comrades,

I want to extend my gratitude to everyone who participated in this year's Fourth of July parade. Your dedication, patriotism, and pride in our Post were on full display for our community to see. Whether you marched, carried the colors, drove a vehicle, helped with setup, or supported the event in any way, your efforts helped make our presence both memorable and meaningful. Your participation reflected the values of service, patriotism, and community that define Post 234. As a side note, it is great to hear "Hey Grandpa" yelled out as we travel through the parade, and Maynard managed to stay on the float for the entire ride *(wink)*!

July is a month rich in American history:

- **July 4, 1776** – The Declaration of Independence was adopted, establishing the United States as a free and independent nation.
- **July 1–3, 1863** – The Battle of Gettysburg, a turning point in the Civil War, was fought in Pennsylvania.
- **July 20, 1969** – Neil Armstrong became the first person to walk on the moon during the Apollo 11 mission.
- **July 27, 1953** – The Korean War Armistice Agreement was signed, ending major combat operations on the Korean Peninsula.

As we look ahead, our next big event is the Sheepshead Tournament and Kids Fisheries on July 11. This is one of our signature community events and provides a wonderful opportunity to showcase both Post 234 and the City of Omro. By bringing together families, visitors, volunteers, and local supporters, we continue to strengthen the bond between our Post and the community we proudly serve. I encourage everyone to come down to show our community who we are and help make this event another remarkable success.

The Honor Guard is also looking to add members to its ranks. We invite anyone from the American Legion Family—Legionnaires, Auxiliary members, and Sons of the American Legion—to consider joining this important team. Opportunities are available for flag bearers, parade marchers, funeral honors details, buglers, ceremonial participants, and firing squad members. The Honor Guard plays a vital role in honoring our veterans and representing our Post throughout the community. If you are interested in serving in this meaningful capacity, please reach out to a member of the Honor Guard.

A reminder that we will continue to hold our meetings at Wedgewood Golf Course on the 4th Tuesday of the month. Social begins at 6:30 p.m. and runs until 7:00 p.m., with our General Membership Meeting starting promptly at 7:00 p.m. **Please note that the Post Executive Committee (PEC) meeting time has changed and will now be held from 6:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.**

Thank you again for your commitment to our veterans, our Post, and our community. Together, we continue to make a positive difference while honoring those who have served before us.

For God and Country,
Commander Laura Heried
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AUXILIARY PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Hello everyone,

What a ride the 4th of July parade was! We had a great time decorating the UTV and driving up and down Main Street handing out American flags. Overall, we handed out over 1,600 flags! Thank you to everyone who donated towards this, it was so fun. We'll be doing it again next year.

Congratulations to our 2026-2027 Unit Officers. President, Jodi Kallas; Treasurer, Diane Steinert; Secretary, Angie Schuster; Sergeant-at-Arms, Kathy Boettner. The positions of Vice President, Chaplain, and Historian are available for anyone who may be interested.

On that note, another project which needs a leader is our Sunshine Club. We are looking for someone to send greeting cards to our Unit members. This is for Birthdays, Get Well, Sympathy, etc. (we have all the materials). If this is something you are interested in doing for us, please let me know.

Our next meeting is Thursday, July 16th at the Omro Library beginning at 6:30pm. I hope you are able to attend. Until then, take care and remember to be kind…

Jodi Kallas, President
Omro ALA#234
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AUXILIARY CHAPLAIN'S CORNER

"*Whatever happens, do not lose hold of the two main ropes of life - hope and faith." Anonymous*

Our Legion Auxiliary family has had both joys and sorrows since our last newsletter. Congratulations go to Paige (Roesler) & Taylor Albright as they welcome their little girl Vivian Marie born on June 6th.

Those celebrating birthdays this month are: Chelsey Henry, Wendy Roesler, Sandy Rupp and Morgan Schuster. Happy birthday to all!!

Our sympathy is extended to David and Roxanne Lemieux on the death of their daughter Theresa after a brief illness. Our sympathy also to Ginny Braun on the recent death of her mother.

As we head into "real" summer, have fun, be safe, remember to hydrate and use your sunscreen!

Be Kind. God's peace to you.
Kathy Boettner
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S.A.L. MESSAGE

Hello Friends and Happy 250th Birthday America!

My dad & I attended Oshkosh and Omro's Parade. Both were very patriotic.

I attended Winneconne Post 364 meeting last month to talk about SAL, ALF Dogs, and successfully got their squadron active again. My Uncle Don Mongan Vietnam Army Veteran was a member of Post 364 prior to his passing. Omro Squadron 234 membership is at 30.

I will be attending State Convention in Appleton this month, All SAL members are welcome to attend.

John Hoeft II, Squadron Commander
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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

07/11 Sheepshead & Kids Fishing Tournament
07/15-19 Dept Convention, Hilton Appleton Paper Valley
07/16 Legion Auxiliary Unit Meeting 6:30 PM @ Omro Library
07/20 Bingo @ Omro Bowhunters
07/28 Post Executive Committee Meeting 6:00 PM @ Wedgewood
07/28 Post 234 Regular Meeting 7:00 PM @ Wedgewood

Legionnaires having birthdays in July are Greg Gibbons, Louis Daniels, Joeseph Lamira, Cynthia Robison, Gerald Honl, Jay Kargus, Al Lloyd, William May, James Freeman, Rick Deiss, Richard Baker and Toni Viegut. Happy Birthday to all!!

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

MONDAY, JULY 20, 2026
Omro Bowhunters Club, 1230 E Main St, Omro
Doors open at 5:00 pm and bingo starts at 6:30 pm.

DAUGHERTY-HAMILTON POST 234

The 1st of July marked the official start of the 2027 American Legion membership drive year. Now is the perfect time to renew your membership and continue making a difference. Your **$35 Annual Dues** help us provide support to Veterans and military families, mentor our youth, promote patriotism, and strengthen our community throughout the year.

Renewing is relatively easy:

- **Online** - Renew for one year or three years (our recommended option for added convenience!) at: **myleigon.org.** Please note that you will need your membership # and a credit card.
- **Over the phone** - Call National HQ customer service (800) 433-3318 or (877) 525-2239. Again, have your membership # and credit card handy. They are able to assist with one year & three-year renewals and Paid Up For Life (PUFL) memberships.
- **By Check** - Make checks payable to AL Post 234 and mail to: American Legion Post 234, P.O. Box 234, Omro, WI, 54963 or bring to our next meeting.

Renew today. Stay involved. Continue making a difference!

Dave Steinert, Adjutant
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WINNEBAGO COUNTY CVSO

MILITARY APPRECIATION

WEEKEND AT THE FAIR

JULY 31 & AUG 1

RESOURCE FAIR
MOTORCYCLE SHOW
CORNHOLE TOURNAMENT

ADVANCE TICKET DISCOUNTS 6/15-7/28

Military FREE • Family & Friends $8/each
Good only for 07/31/26 & 08/01/26

Get your tickets at:

Winnebago County Veterans Service Offices:

Oshkosh	Neenah
220 Washington Ave, 3rd Floor	211 N. Commercial Street

Winnebago County Fair

SUNNYVIEW EXPOSITION CENTER
500 E COUNTY ROAD Y, OSHKOSH

MILITARY APPRECIATION

WEEKEND AT THE FAIR

Spread the word and invite a veteran you want to appreciate! Let's show our gratitude together!

WINNEBAGO COUNTY CVSO

EVENT SCHEDULE

JULY 31
9:00 AM
TO
3:00 PM

RESOURCE TABLES

- Department of Veterans Affairs: Pension Team
- Department of Veterans Affairs: Advanced Directive Team
- Central Wisconsin Veterans Memorial Cemetery
- Fort McCoy Retirement Specialist Nick Gimson
- Aging & Disability Resource Center: Elder Care
- UW-Extension: Planning Ahead - Wills & Trusts
- Medicare Specialist: How Medicare works with the VA

JULY 31
11:00 AM
TO
1:00 PM

LUNCH, RAFFLES & ENTERTAINMENT

- Pig Roast Lunch from 11:00 - 1:00 (FREE)
- Raffle Drawings throughout the day!

Oshkosh Truck & Military Veterans Musuem Vehicals

AUG 1
9:00 AM
TO
2:00 PM

MOTORCYCLE SHOW

Sign Me Up!

- Join us for our First Ever Bike Show.
- Registration is FREE
- Limited to 75 Bikes - Prizes Awarded

AUG 1
10:00 AM
TO
2:00 PM

CORNHOLE TOURNAMENT

Sign Me Up!

- Join us for our First Ever Battle of the CVSO Bags Tournament
- Meet the surrounding CVSO's to discuss benefits - Prizes Awarded

AUG 1
10:00 AM
TO
2:00 PM

RESOURCE TABLES

- Winnebago/Outagamie/Calumet/Fond du Lac CVSO will be present!
- WDVA -VORP
- Green Bay Vet Center

JULY 31 & AUG 1

WINNEBAGO COUNTY FAIR

Sunnyview Expo Center
500 E Cty Rd Y, Oshkosh
https://winnebagofairoshkosh.com/

MILITARY APPRECIATION WEEKEND AT THE WINNEBAGO COUNTY FAIR

CORNHOLE TOURNAMENT

Winnebago County Veterans Services Office (CVSO)
Oshkosh (920) 232-3400 • Neenah (920) 729-4820

SATURDAY, AUGUST 1ST @ 10:00 AM

AT SUNNYVIEW EXPO CENTER
500 E COUNTY ROAD Y • OSHKOSH, WI 54901

Grab a partner or come solo—
we'll match you up! All skill levels
welcome. Family-friendly event.

Prizes for top teams!
Food & Drinks available

Registration Fee:
FREE*

This event is part of the CVSO Military Appreciation Weekend at the Winnebago County Fair. After 9:00am (or to go on Carnival Rides) you will need a Daily Admission Ticket.

Register Online
https://forms.gle/syY9hWaWfa4gPgcT9

Prizes, Raffles, Music, & Food

Spots are limited.
Don't miss out on the fun

***COUNTY FAIR ADMISSION TICKETS:** The CVSO offers free tickets for military/veterans and discounted tickets for family & friends. Please stop by or contact us to get your tickets.
Don't miss out - ticket discounts end at close of business on Tuesday, July 28.
Tickets are $15 at the GATE from Wednesday, July 29 - Sunday, August 2.

Let the bags fly and may the best team win!

WINNEBAGO CVSO

MOTORCYCLE SHOW

FREEDOM, CHROME & COUNTRY

1ST AUGUST 2026

Register Online:
https://forms.gle/syY9hWaWfa4gPgcT9

LIMITED SPOTS AVAILABLE

75 Riders Only

FREE!* All bike types are welcomed

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MEETING TIME/POINT: 9:00 AM

Sunnyview Expo Center
500 E County Rd Y, Oshkosh, WI 54901

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