

**WI Department, American Legion Post 234  
Minutes of the General Membership Meeting  
February 23, 2011**

**Opening:**

The meeting was opened by Commander, Ken Flock at approximately 7:30 PM @ Tanner's Tap & Grill, a recitation of the Pledge to Allegiance, Mission Statement, POW/MIA Ceremony and a prayer by the Dave Lemieux.

**Roll Call:**

**\*Not in attendance # Excused**

<b>Commander</b>	<b>Ken Flock</b>	<b>1st Vice</b>	<b>Dave Steinart</b>
<b>2nd Vice</b>	<b>Tom Bryson*</b>	<b>3<sup>rd</sup> Vice</b>	<b>open</b>
<b>Adjutant</b>	<b>Bob Wipf</b>	<b>Sgt.-at-Arms</b>	<b>Jack Haynes</b>
<b>Finance Officer</b>	<b>Dave Lemieux</b>	<b>Parliamentarian</b>	<b>Jim Romnek</b>
<b>Chaplain</b>	<b>Steve Goller#</b>	<b>Historian</b>	<b>Darryl Schmidt</b>
<b>Service Officer</b>	<b>Pete Hennes#</b>	<b>Past Cdr</b>	<b>Rick Deiss</b>
<b>Members-At-Large:</b>	<b>John Vonderloh, Dean Larsen, Ken Jungwirth</b>		

**Special Presentations:**

- Commander Flock presented Nick Kloiber a \$100.00 award for placing first in the Post Oratorical Contest. Nick introduced his father Steve Kloiber.
- Commander Flock presented Tracey Miller a \$75.00 stipend for coaching the Oratorical Contest.

**Installation of Finance Officer:**

- Commander Flock installed Dave Lemieux as the new Post Finance Officer.

**Sergeant-at-Arms Report:** Sgt-at-Arms, reported 23 members and 3 guests. Jack Quigley, a new member, introduced himself to the Post.

**Minutes of Previous Meeting:**

The minutes of the PEC and Post Meeting on 1/26/11 were distributed and approved as printed. Minutes are also on the Post website.

**6<sup>th</sup> District Legionnaire Of the Year:**

- Commander Flock acknowledged John Vonderloh as 6<sup>th</sup> District Legionnaire Of The Year.

**Correspondence:**

- Bob Wipf reported on the Warrior Summit being held in Milwaukee at the WTC, see Bob or the Post website for details.
- The Veterans Capitol Rally is April 13<sup>th</sup> in Madison, see Bob for details or see the Post website.
- There are several awards for recruiting of new members. See Bob Wipf for application form for member awards.

**1<sup>st</sup> Vice-Commander Report:**

- Dave reported that our golf outing is May 21, 2011 at Lakebreeze Golf Course, Winneconne.

**Financial Officer Report:**

- Dave Lemieux presented the Post account balances as of the end of January. A copy of the financial report is available on the back table.
- The audit committee audited the books before the Post meeting. The Post will be receiving a check from the Omro Veterans Memorial, Inc. \$1520.88 for the memorial to complete the separation of the two organizations.
- A motion was made by John Vonderloh and seconded by Darryl Schmidt to accept the finance report as printed. The motion carried unanimously.

**Adjutant Report:** no report

**Historian:** no report

**Membership Report**

- John Vonderloh nominated Jeff Chappa for Post membership.
- A motion was made by Bob Wipf and seconded by Dave Steinert to accept Jeff Chappa as a new member to post 234. The motion carried unanimously.
- John Vonderloh nominated Debby Johnson for Post membership.
- A motion was made by Bob Wipf and seconded by Dave Steinert to accept Debby Johnson as a new member to post 234. The motion carried unanimously.

**Post 234 Bowling Tournament:**

- The tournament will be held March 6, 2011 at Legends in Omro. There will be two shifts at 12:00 PM and 3:00 PM. The cost is \$20.00 and will include bowling, prize money, one free drink. There will be a 50/50 raffle for Post general funds.

**Honor Guard:**

- Dean Larsen reported that the Honor Guard has been ask to lead the St. Parrick's Day parade.
- The Honor Guard will been attending the High Ground Ceremony on April; 16, 2011. See Dean if you are available to attend.
- Dean reported that the Honor Guard has conducted 14 funerals so far the year.

**The High Ground:**

- Ed Goss reported on the arrangements for the bus going to the High Ground to honor Ted Nortman and Chuck Albashion on April 16, 2011. Cost of bus trip is \$15.00. Bus will leave for the High School west parking lot at 7:45 AM. Ed requested help with making sandwiches for the lunch.

**Chaplain/Sickness & Distress:**

- Ed Goss read a note from member Ray Hoeft.
- Toni Viegut is having surgery this week to install a pain pump into her back.
- Dean Larsen reported on the progress of his daughter and Post member, Bev Snider.

**County Commander/District VC Report:**

- Ken Ochalla reported on the recent County Council Meeting. The County Council decided to continue assessing the individual Posts to support the County activities.
- Bob Wipf reported the County Council has requested a resolution be written to reform the rules of the oratorical contest.
- Spring Conference will be April 9, 2011 at 9:00 AM at CJ's. District 6 elections will be held. Elections will be held.
- The next county meeting will also be elections.

**Memorial Dance:**

- Rick Deiss reported the memorial dance will be the Saturday of the Memorial Weekend. Post members will be asked to help with this event. All proceeds will go to the Omro Veterans Memorial, Inc for the upkeep of the memorial.

**Veterans Dinner:**

- Rick Deiss reported the dinner date has been change from October 15, 2011 to October 22, 2011.

**BBS/BGS:**

- John Hoeft reported that the checks for BBS/BGS representatives have been sent out for the 2011 sessions.

**Legion Baseball:**

- John Hoeft will report on the plans for the beginning of the season at the March meeting.

**Piggly Wiggly Meat Sale:**

- Dave Lemieux reported we will be manning a table during the meat sale on April 16, 2011.
- Ed Goss will chair the fundraiser will help from several members.

**Good Of The American Legion:**

- John Hoeft reported on his meetings with the Governor and legislators on Veterans issues.
- Bob Burns would like to speak to the Post about a program his doing for Veterans.
- Rick Deiss provided humor.

**Closing**

The meeting closed at approximately 8:49 PM with retiring of the POW chair and a prayer by Dave Lemieux.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Bob Wipf  
Post 234 Adjutant