

**WI Department, American Legion Post 234
Minutes of the General Membership Meeting
May 25, 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 Chaplain Steve Goller.

Roll Call:

***Not in attendance # Excused**

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

Minutes of Previous Meeting:

The minutes of the PEC and Post Meeting on 4/27/11 were distributed and approved as printed. Minutes are also on the Post website.

Sergeant-at-Arms Report: Sgt-at-Arms, reported 28 members and 2 guests, Rosemarie Pitz Post 70, Duane Roslansky

Memorial Day Service:

- A sign up sheet is in the back of the room to sign up to help with the Memorial clean up (10AM) on Sunday and set up chairs on Monday morning.
- Parade line up will be at 8:30 AM
- Rick Deiss will be this year's keynote speaker.
- Bob Wipf requested that 3-4 members stay after the meeting to put the Memorial Day Program together.

Memorial Dance:

- Rick Deiss reported on the arrangements for the Memorial Dance to be held on May 28, 2011 6-12 PM.
- There is a sign up sheet in the back of the room to help with food and bar duties.
- There will be a Veterans Tribute at 7:00 PM all Veterans are encouraged to participate.

Correspondence:

- July 3, 2011 is a free Veteran Day at Milwaukee County Zoo, see fliers on back table.
- Country USA is offering free admission for Veterans on Tuesday and Saturday, see fliers on back table.
- August 14, 2011 is the AL All-Start baseball game at the Milwaukee Brewer Game, see Bob or Department website to purchase tickets.
- Department State Convention is July 14-17 at the Paper Valley in Appleton, see Bob Wipf or Department website for registration forms.
- Bob Wipf reported on the successes of the Veteran Job Fair in Appleton.
- Lennox is donating a free furnace to some one in need in Winnebago County, contact Bob Wipf for details.

1st Vice-Commander Report:

- Dave reported on the results of the 6th Annual Golf Outing at Lake Breeze Golf Course, Winneconne. The outing netted \$2148.00 for the event.
- Next year's golf outing will be at Lake Breeze and will start later in the day so we can utilize the entire course and increase revenues.

Financial Officer Report:

- Dave Lemieux presented the Post account balances as of the end of April. A copy of the financial report is available on the back table.
- A motion was made by Bob Wipf and seconded by Shorty Miller to accept the finance report as printed. The motion carried unanimously.

Adjutant Report:

- The PEC approved securing Lake Breeze for next year's Golf Outing.

Historian:

- Darryl reported the pictures of the Golf Outing are in the history book on the front table.

Chaplain/Sickness & Distress:

- The Chaplain sent a card to the Jungwirth family
- Armin Lewis is in room 29 at Mercy Hospital. He has meningitis and will be having more tests.

Service Officer:

- Pete Hennes reported that Poppies will be distribute Friday, Saturday, and Sunday Memorial weekend at Festival. Contact Ed Goss if you can help.
- Contact Pete if you are aware of any Veteran in need.

County Commander Report:

- Newsletter correction: Bob Stones monthly CVSO meeting is cancelled for June, the next meeting will be July 21, 2011.
- Newsletter correction: The County Council will be June 16, 2011 at 7:30 PM @ Winneconne Post.
- County Council elections will be conducted at the June 16 meeting.

A&G Testing Awards:

- Laurie Koepke reported that the awards will be presented at the High School on June 30 at 8:30 AM

Membership:

- John introduced Duane Roslansky as a potential transfer for department post.
- John transferred Eugene Ertmer and Clarence Litton into the Post.
- A motion was made by John Vonderloh and seconded by Dean Larsen to accept Don Roberts as a new Post member. The motion carried unanimously.

50/50 Speed Zone Raffle:

- See John Vonderloh to sign up to help at the Speed Zone 50/50 raffle on July 1, 2011.

Honor Guard:

- Dean reported on the placing flags at the Pickett Cemetery.
- The Color will present colors at the Memorial Dance.
- Dean still needs Color Guards members for the Memorial Day Parade, see Dean after the meeting.
- July 14, 2011 the Color Guard will present color at the Timber Rattlers game, see Dean for discounted tickets to the game.
- The Veterans Memorial has ordered outdoor flags for the Memorial, see Dean if you are interested in ordering flags or challenge coins.
- Waukau parade is June 12, 2011, line up is at 11:30 AM.

BBS/BGS:

- John Hoeft will invite the BBB and BBG students to the Post summer picnic.

Legion Baseball:

- John Hoeft reported that the Color Guard presented colors for the beginning of every league this year.
- John presented this years baseball schedule, it will be put on the website. The league will start the week of June 6, 2011.
- Post 234 donated \$250.00 to OBSA for the Omro Legion Baseball team.
- July 12, 2011 is designated as Post 234 Recognition Night.

Memorial Donation:

- John Hoeft read a thank you note and presented a \$500.00 check to the Omro Veterans Memorial from the Don Joswick family.

Poppy Distribution:

- Ed Goss requested members sign up for Poppy distribution.
- Poppies will also be distributed at the end of June at Piggy Wiggly and Kwik Trip.

Nominations:

- Dean Larsen reported the following nominations:

Commander Ken Flock and Dave Steinart, Parliamentarian Jim Romnek, Historian Darryl Schmidt, Chaplain Steve Goller, Member-at-Large Dean Larsen, 2nd VC Tom Bryson, 1st VC open, Service Officer Pete Hennes and Sgt-at-Arms (elect 2) Ed Pierce and Dave Schmude.

Good Of The American Legion:

- June 4, 2011 John Vonderloh is being honored on the "Wall Of Fame" at the High School.
- July 30, 2011 there will be a 100 miles cycle ride for the "Old Glory Honor Flight" starting at Winnebago County Fairgrounds.
- Past Commander Rick Deiss provided humor.
- Commander Flock reported that Chad Flock and his wife had a baby boy.

Closing

The meeting closed at approximately 8:40 PM with retiring of the POW chair and a prayer by Chaplain Steve Goller.

Respectfully Submitted,
Bob Wipf
Post 234 Adjutant