

# Newsletter

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## FROM THE COMMANDER

Hello Comrades & Friends,

May is coming up and it's our busiest month of the year. We have a ton of activities that we are doing. The traveling wall is coming thru Omro on April 30th and we are involved in ceremonies at the fairgrounds on May 3rd. Please read the attached article in the news letter on the traveling wall. May 10th is our annual spring banquet. We have a great guest speaker lined up, Kate Farrel who lost her husband in the war in Iraq. As of right now only about 30 tickets have been turned in. I know that there are a lot of tickets out there that are sold. Please turn in your sold tickets at our next meeting so I can get a head count for the Fin N Feather. Ken has been collecting items for the auction and raffle. It should be a fun night for our Post. Memorial weekend is our biggest weekend of the year, with activities going on all weekend. Saturday is our annual golf outing at Lake Breeze Golf Club. The format is a four person scratch and scramble. Cost is \$40, which includes the cost of golf power cart and entry fee. Get your foursome together, you can sign up by calling Lake Breeze in Winneconne. If you would like to help out on this outing come to our next meeting. John Vonderloh would be very happy for any help that he can get. On Sunday of that weekend we will be having a cleaning detail at 10AM. We will clean up the grassy areas and wash the Memorial so that it is ship-shape for the Memorial Day observance. On Monday, Memorial Day our honor guard will lead the parade and our Veterans will ride on our float. We need help before the parade to set up 200 chairs and other equipment for our program. I can use 2 or 3 Veterans to help be ushers while the parade is going on to help with seating. Also, I need 5 volunteers to help honor those MIA/KIA's on Panel 3. We will talk about that at our meeting on the 23rd. Also we will be nominating delegates for our convention in July. Hope to see you at the meeting.

Yours in Comradeship  
Rick Deiss

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

**Additional information about upcoming events can be found at**

**Omro Post website: [www.omropost234.org](http://www.omropost234.org)**

**6<sup>th</sup> District website: <http://www.wilegion6.org>**

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| <b>4/23/08</b> | <b>Post 234 Regular Meeting 7:30 PM @ Tanner's Tap &amp; Grill, Omro, WI</b>                |
| 4/27/08        | 6th District Spring Conference 9:00 AM @ Chilton Post 75                                    |
| 4/30/08        | Vietnam War Ended (1975)  |
| 4/30/08        | Battle of Dai Do began (1975)   |
| 5/01/08        | National Day Of Prayer  |
| 5/05/08        | Fall of Corregidor (1942)   |
| <b>5/07/08</b> | <b>Omro Veteran's Memorial Committee Meeting 7:00 PM @ Tanner's Tap</b>                     |
| 5/08/08        | VE Remembrance Day (1945)   |
| 5/08/08        | Winnebago County Council Of Veterans Organizations 9:30 AM @ James Coughlin Building        |
| 5/09/08        | Caucus meeting in St. Louis adopts "The American Legion" as the organizations official name |
| <b>5/10/08</b> | <b>Post 234 Veterans Dinner, Fin 'n' Feather Winneconne, WI (see article)</b>               |
| 5/11/08        | Mothers Day   |
| <b>5/14/08</b> | <b>Memorial Day Activities Committee 7:00 PM Tanners Tap &amp; Grill</b>                    |
| 5/17/08        | Armed Forces Day  |
| <b>5/24/08</b> | <b>3rd Annual Post 234 Golf Tournament</b>  |
| 5/25/08        | Memorial Day Services Work Day (Contact Rick Deiss to see how you can help)                 |
| <b>5/26/08</b> | <b>Memorial Day Parade/Ceremony starting at 9:00 AM</b>                                     |
| <b>5/30/08</b> | <b>Memorial Day (Traditional)</b>   |
| <b>5/28/08</b> | <b>Post 234 Regular Meeting 7:30 PM @ Tanner's Tap &amp; Grill, Omro, WI.</b>               |
| <b>6/27/08</b> | <b>Post 234 50/50 Raffle at Oshkosh Speed Zone @ 5:00 PM</b>                                |



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**Members At Large**  
Ken Jungwirth (2 yr)  
Dean Larsen (1 yr)  
John Vonderloh (3 yr)

**American Veterans Traveling Tribute–The Wall**

**April 30-May 5, 2008 Sunnyview Expo Center Oshkosh, WI**

We have something very exciting happening in the next couple of weeks with our Post. The Vietnam Memorial traveling wall is coming here. On April 30th the Wall will be in Omro. They are going to get here sometime in the morning of the 30th and park at the fire house. They will probably try to get a little sleep. Anyone who has a motorcycle can help escort it to the fairgrounds in Oshkosh. At 6PM it will leave the fire house with police and fire escorts. It will pass our Veterans Memorial as a sign of respect under escort. We will have all of our flags flying proudly that day along the walkway into the memorial. All Veterans, not just Legionaires are encouraged to come down to our Memorial to help pay respects to the traveling wall as it passes. We will show our respect for this great Memorial as it passes under escort by saluting it. On Friday we will be providing security for the Wall from 2 to 8 in the morning. On Saturday we are being honored by being asked to hold the 1PM ceremonies at the fairgrounds. All Veterans are encouraged to attend. Our chaplain Ray Janiak will do the Invocation and the Benediction. Omro's star reporter Julie Quinn will sing the National Anthem I am trying to get Amanda Nelson to do the pledge. I will be the Master of Ceremonies and our Key note speaker will be arriving by motorcycle escort. He is a Vietnam Metal of Honor recipient. Our Color Guard will be posting the colors. We are hoping to have enough Veterans to be able to post all of our flags. (9 Veterans) We are the only Legion Post that is having a ceremony during the Memorials stay in Oshkosh. Not even the sponsoring Post is doing a ceremony. This is a great honor for our Post and it should be given the truly great respect that it deserves. We will be discussing it at our meeting on April 23rd I hope to see you there.

**3<sup>RD</sup> ANNUAL VETERAN'S FUNDRAISING DINNER & SILENT AUCTION / RAFFLE**

Tickets are now available for our annual spring banquet that will once again be held at the Fin N Feather in Winneconne. The date is Saturday May 10th. Cocktails at 5:00 dinner at 6:00. The cost stays at \$20 per person. We are once again looking for silent auction items and raffle prizes. Ed Goss is our banquet chairman. Our guest speaker is Kate Farrel. Kate is the widow of Army captain Benjamin Jansky who died in Iraq July 2005. We are limited to the first 225 people who sign up.

**If you are aware of an area Veteran in need call Service Officer Ken Ochalla 920-685-6732**

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