

WAUPACA COUNTY POST
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Design the Winning Patriotic Mural & Receive \$500

The American Legion Sheveland-Taylor Post 14 is having a competition to create a Patriotic Mural in its Veterans Memorial Park, located at 200 N. Main Street in Iola. The park honors veterans from Iola and Scandinavia.

The Patriotic Mural will be painted on the back of the large concrete monument with the State of Wisconsin on the front and the mural will face Lake Iola. Entry is open to people of all ages from Iola or Scandinavia, each entry may consist of one or more people doing the mural.

The mural may be done in color or black & white and the mural must fill the majority of the area which is 11' 10" wide at the base and tapers to 10' 6" wide at top and is 8' tall. The outlet and conduit currently on the area will be removed and entire area will be painted white prior to the contest to create a clean pallet. The winner can repaint the background any color if so desired and must use an exterior type paint that will stand up to the weather and will sign his or her name on the finished mural.

There is no entry fee to participate in the competition and the mural becomes the property of the American Legion for promoting the mural, the winning artist and the American Legion. Each contestant must create a rendering of their entry and that rendering must be at least 8½" by 11" or larger and the same colors as the actual art work to be done on the final mural.

The contest starts immediately and renderings must be received by the American Legion by April 1. The American Legion will decide the winner of the contest at its April 14 meeting and will notify the winner on Wednesday, April 15, by phone and with a follow-up letter.

The Winning artist must sign a contract with the American Legion Post 14 and will win \$500 from the American Legion, which will be awarded at the dedication. The Patriot Mural must be completed by June 8. The Patriot Mural will be dedicated at a later date, possibly June 13 or June 14 on Flag Day weekend when the winner will also be introduced.

The area where the mural will be located will be lighted with two additional new LED light fixtures like the ones now in the park, along with a sidewalk that will circle the six panels of the Memoriam Monument and the new Patriotic Mural. This will also allow the American Legion to engrave additional names on the back of the current six panels of the Memoriam Monument and will be properly lighted and easy access with the new sidewalk.

Any person that would like to enter the contest please contact Lyle Mork at 715-347-1328 of the American Legion for contest rules and guidelines.