

Press Release

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ONALASKA D.A.R.E. PROGRAM RECEIVES \$1000.00 DONATION FROM THE ED
ZIETLOW EDUCATIONAL FUNDS

Ed Zietlow may not be a famous name but he was very much part of the Onalaska/Holmen community. He grew up in Onalaska, graduating from the Onalaska High School Special Education Program. He was devoted to community service working with the Lions, the American Legion and many other organizations to make our community better. Ed eventually became the Sons of the American Legion (SAL) Commander and though Ed passed away several years ago his family works with the SAL to raise money to honor Ed's memory.

The Zietlow family and SAL hold fund raisers which have allowed them to donate thousands of dollars to local organizations involving children and special education. This year the Onalaska D.A.R.E. program will receive a \$1000.00 check from the Ed Zietlow Educational Funds in Ed's memory.

"This is incredibly generous," said Officer Leah Myers the Onalaska D.A.R.E. officer, "this donation will help us keep D.A.R.E. up and running in our schools. Looking at the many organizations that Mr. Zietlow volunteered with is humbling,

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this was a man truly devoted to community service and now his family is carrying on his tradition of giving."

The check will be presented by Kenneth Drury with the Sons of the American Legion on November 17th in the Police Department training room at City Hall.

"The Zietlow family has worked tirelessly with the American Legion to raise money to continue doing the work that Ed was so devoted to in his lifetime. In January we have a Bowling Tournament and a Silent Auction scheduled. Both of these fundraisers will assure that the Ed Zietlow Educational Funds and the American Legion are able to keep giving back to the community. I can think of no better way to honor Ed's memory and fulfill the mission of the American Legion."

The Ed Zietlow Educational Funds have donated to both the Onalaska and Holmen Special Educational programs as well as the YMCA Miracle Field.