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COMMANDER'S COMMENTS

As I mentioned previously the adjutant and I went to the Department Convention in Kearney. There were some good resolutions talked about but the one that will impact our Legion members directly is one being brought up at the National convention at the end of August in Baltimore MD. National is requesting a \$5.00 dues increase starting next year. I expect this to pass and go into effect on January 16. This means if you pay your dues after that date they will be \$42.00 instead of \$37.00. I would suggest to pay your dues early, and if you can, pay for two years and save some money. We don't know if State will raise their portion of dues. If that happens our Post dues will reflect that increase too. Our Post portion will not increase. Just National and possibly State. Speaking of money - we have paid our building loan that we had for the buildout of our Post Home three years ago. The money that was going towards payment will be going into our building fund so hopefully down the road we will have our own building again; one that is more manageable then the last one we owned.

The Legion family came out to support one of our own at the spaghetti fundraiser. I was very happy to see everyone having a good time. Thanks to everyone who helped or came in to enjoy a terrific meal.

The National Veterans Golden Age games are being held in Omaha in August. It is the only national multi-event sports and recreational seniors' competition program designed to improve the quality of life for all older Veterans. Volunteers are needed. For additional info look inside the newsletter.

During August there will be another beer glass giveaway, a SAL raffle, an Auxiliary rummage sale, ALR poker run and an adult summer party. I hope you can make it to at least one of these events. The first Husker game is September 5 at 2:30. I'm sure Kathy will have Jell-O and pudding shots available and I plan to serve food.

Now for a laugh: The reason the Army, Navy, Marines and Air Force bicker among themselves is that they don't speak the same language. For instance, take the simple phrase "Secure the building": The Army will post guards around the place, the Navy will turn out the lights and lock the doors, the Marines will kill everybody inside and set up a headquarters and the Air Force will take out a 5 year lease with an option to buy.

HOOAH! Greg Petersen, Commander

S.A.L. NEWS

Can you believe it's August already? We are getting close to having football games at Buell on Fridays and Husker football on Saturdays.

I want to thank everyone who showed up to work or eat at the spaghetti fundraiser. It was a great success, and the food was great as usual. It's nice to see what we can accomplish when we need to.

Speaking of fundraisers, you still have a few days to buy your tickets for the iPad that we are raffling off during our August 3rd SAL meeting. The bartenders have those tickets. If you have already purchased tickets, thanks and good luck.

A couple of other things to look forward to in the upcoming months: Kathy's having her annual summer fling. Check for the date in the newsletter. Millard Days is coming up at the end of the month. Volunteers are needed for the beer garden on Legion night, Thursday, August 27. Sign-up sheets will be at the club. At 11:00 AM on Saturday, August 29th is the parade. Hope to see you there.

In October, we are planning to have a chili lunch at the Victory Apartments. More on this in coming months. Our next meeting is at 7PM on August 3rd. God bless our troops and veterans, thank you for your service.

Dean Carlsen, S.A.L. Commander

AUXILIARY NEWS

Hello everyone,

A big thanks to all involved in the fundraiser for Mat Polson. It was a wonderful time and so nice to see so many people in the club!

We are still in need of donations of school supplies for the schools in our area. Please pick up some items and drop them off at the post. Whatever you can donate will help a child with their education.

Also, remember the rummage sale on Saturday Aug. 8 to help build our funds for the year. If you have any items in your home that you are not using anymore, please drop them off at the Post by Friday, Aug. 7.

The Auxiliary Cooks night is on Tuesday, Aug. 18 from 5:30 to 7:30. This month we will be cooking gourmet burgers, fries & onion rings.

Our next meeting is Tuesday Aug. 11 at 7:00 p.m. Hope to see you there! God bless you all,

Karen Brink, President



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AMERICAN LEGION RIDERS NEWS

"The Heat is on" and for the ALR Riders this means...busy season! Recently, we participated in a Flag Dedication Ceremony held in Pilger, Nebraska. Our nine motorcycles and two cars joined many others in a joint effort to escort our National Commander, Michael Helm, to the ceremony. It was heartwarming and emotional to be there.

Additionally, several of our members participated in a Children's Respite Care Center visit. The visit allowed the care center's children to personally meet our riders and carefully "explore" the bikes; and honk a horn or two. The smiles and delight on their faces were priceless!

At this time, we are currently hard at work at putting the finishing touches on our annual Operation Comfort Warrior Poker Run. Donations in the form of cash, prizes, and gift certificates are being sought from many local businesses. Any and all assistance in this endeavor is always welcomed and considerably appreciated. Should you know of any prospective business leads, work for a company that would be willing to help, know of an individual who would want to contribute, or YOU yourself desire to donate...please do not hesitate to contact me and share your idea(s). With that being said, Jeff and Darlene Boyden contacted Custom Diesel Drivers Training School (CDDT). CDDT is providing us with a full scholarship valued at \$4500, to present as a prize. This will allow the winner of this scholarship to attend the school and fulfill the supervised driving skills evaluation for a Nebraska CDL. Do you know of someone who is looking to obtain a CDL? Attend our event on Saturday August 15th.

In a word, writing this article is a pleasure and honor. But I want all to know that it's a concerted team effort. The understanding is that it's the Director's responsibility, but my Assistant Director, Tony Amaya, provides his skills and talents in making the article inordinately readable. I call him a walking thesaurus. Thanks for the help Tony!

Riders, as always, ride with pride, and ride with honor; and most of all ride safely!

Don Labrie, Director, Millard ALR Chapter 374

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There are two pots for the Legion and the Auxiliary drawing, and one for the SAL drawing. The SAL drawing is Sunday, the Auxiliary drawing is Tuesday and the Legion drawing is Wednesday. You must register to win.

Congratulations to Stan Logan and Roger Wiedeman - recent winners of the Legion drawings!

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The Post has four cemetery plots that have been donated to us.

They are located at Westlawn-Hillcrest Cemetery; two are in the Veterans area.

If you would like to purchase a pair of them please contact an E-Board member.

Auxiliary

Rummage Sale

Saturday August 8 8:00 A.M. – 4:00 P.M.

(Bring donated items to the Post by August 7)

VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED

for the 2015 National Veterans Golden Age Games in Omaha from August 8 – 12.

Many opportunities to volunteer - www.VeteransGoldenAgeGames. va.gov





5.14.15..... Herbert J. Sievers 5.25.15..... Don B.Crinklaw



The fall

Cribbage League Starts Thursday at 7:00 P.M. August 27

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Auxiliary	.\$25.00
Jr. Auxiliary (18 and under)	\$3.50
SAL	.\$20.00
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AUGUST 2015 - Saturdays - Hotdogs served starting at Noon

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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2	3 FOOD SAL Mtg 7:00 Beer Glassware Giveaway	4	5	Summer Cribbage 7:00	7	8 Auxiliary Rummage Sale 8 - 4
9	10 FOOD	11 FOOD Liver/Onions lunch/dinner Auxiliary Mtg 7:00	12	Summer Cribbage 7:00	14	15 FOOD ALR OCW poker run 10:00
16	17 FOOD	Auxiliary cooks 5:30 	19 E-Board Mtg 6:30 General Mtg 7:30	Summer Cribbage 7:00	21 Birthday Bash	News LTR Articles Due
23	24 FOOD	25 Millard Days begins BUNCO 6:30	26 Trivia Night 7:00	Fall cribbage begins at 7:00Legion Night at Millard Days	28	29 Millard Days Parade
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UPCOMING EVENTS AT THE POST

Saturday August 8.....Auxiliary Rummage sale •

Saturday August 15..... ALR Poker run and Adult Summer Party
 Stiden August 24.

Wednesday August 26 Trivia

Friday September 4Helen Bauder 99th birthday party

Friday September 11Prime Rib dinner

Saturdays

Hotdogs



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