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COMMANDER'S COMMENTS

So far, it's been a pretty decent summer, but I see it's supposed to start getting hotter...100 degrees plus heat index...just in time for football practices to get going. Our mighty Huskers start the season on a Thursday night, August 31st. We will be having BBQ pulled pork for the game. Just a reminder...when Husker football or volleyball games are on TV, there will be no jukebox playing as determined by the E-Board.

The kids will be going back to school soon. The Auxiliary is collecting school supplies for our Millard schools. There is a plastic tote by the dart board for donations. You can also drop a monetary donation at the bar. I know it seems like everyone is looking for donations, but remember, these kids are our future.

Millard Days will be happening at the end of the month. The VFW and Legion Color Guards will start the parade. The Color Guard will be presenting the Colors at the Friday night football games at Buell Stadium (Millard South) and our Honor Guard is busy doing the Military Honors for our fallen comrades.

The SAL trash can feed was a success as usual. We are checking into having a comedian on a broasted chicken Friday night. More information to follow. If anyone has ideas for entertainment (mud or Jell-O wrestling is out), there are comment cards outside the office door.

The kitchen will be closed on Wednesday August 30.

Prediction this year – bowl game. Go Big Red! Semper Fi! Gary Sempek

SAL NEWS

Welcome to the dog days of summer and I can't believe the first Huskers game is this month!! Where does the time go?!

The SAL hosted yet another very successful Trash Can feed last month; it was a great time and the band Ground Zero put on another great show. Thank you to the sponsors for providing the funds for the band! We would like to give a huge thank you to all who pitched in and helped with this year's event, from everyone who showed for the prep that morning, donated product, and helped serve. We could NOT have done it without you. THANK YOU!!!!

2024 membership cards should be available this month so please pay your dues!

The first Huskers game is Thursday August 31 at Minnesota, kickoff is 7:00 PM so please plan to join us at the Post to cheer on what will hopefully be a much-improved team. Come enjoy all the fun Kathy works so hard to put together.

The next SAL meeting is Monday, August 7 and we would love to have you join us! Our next SAL taco night is Monday, August 21.

Please remember, we are an all-volunteer organization, and we ask that you please consider doing your part. And don't forget to tip the bartenders.

"You can waste your lives drawing lines. Or you can live your life crossing them." —Shonda Rhimes We look forward to seeing all of you at the Post! We ARE family!

John Polson, Commander and Randy Young, Vice Commander

AUXILIARY NEWS

Hello everyone,

Thank you so much for your donations of school supplies for the kids. We can still use donations and monetary donations if you can get them to the Post by Monday the 7th, then we can divide them up for the schools.

Millard Days will be here from Aug. 22nd through the 27th, so be sure to join in the festivities! We can always use volunteers to help with the parade, carnival and beer garden, etc. so if you can help, let me know.

We have some raffle tickets for the \$500 Visa gift card for sale behind the bar at the Post or you can also purchase them from Auxiliary members, so let us know if you need any. They are only \$5.00 each and we're only selling 500 tickets!

We will be selling individual desserts on Monday, Aug. 7 from 5:30 to 7:00 during taco night. Please let me know if you can bring a dessert.

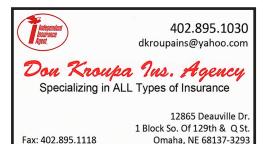
Our next meeting will be Tuesday, Aug. 8 at 7:00 p.m. See you then! God bless you all, Karen Brink, President 402-740-1455

RECRUITING COMMITTEE

The recruiting committee will be busy in September. The following events are scheduled: Saturday, September 9, 2:00 to 10:30PM "The Hero Stock" function will be held at Around the Bend Steak house in Ashland. Saturday September 16, we will be helping Legion Post 353 in Louisville in the kitchen;

Saturday September 23 at 2:00 PM the 22-mile bicycle ride to "Stop the cycle of suicide" will be held. Please feel free to join in any of the events.

If you have any suggestions, please inform a member of the recruiting committee: Gordon Mix, Jim Persson, Eric Peterson, Jay Quick, or Rebecca Wesch.





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AMERICAN LEGION RIDERS NEWS

Vacation season is almost over for most. and that means school is about to start and the kids are leaving to head back.

Sturgis Bike Week is here and I wanted to wish all riders safe travels as they are heading up to the Rally. Be on the lookout for Riders on the road as there will be an increased number of bikes out at the beginning of August.

As for our local Riders, we have a few events that are on our calendar. The first is our monthly meeting on Aug. 15 at 7:30. Next will be the State Romp at Grand Island. The last event scheduled is Millard Days Parade. Millard Days is an important date and we would like to get as many Riders there to show the public what an awesome group we are.

Ride safe! Matt Schnabel, Director

BUDDY CHECK 22

On the 22nd of each month at DJ's Dugout (114th & Miracle Hills Drive) there is a special gathering of Veterans dedicated to reducing and eliminating Veteran suicide. We continue our service by gathering with fellow Veterans. We call and reach out to others that served at our side. We stood together then and we stand together now.

More info at www.bc22vsa.com







COLOR GUARD NEWS

Our team participated in the Ashland parade last month and it was a great time!

We will be participating in the Millard Days parade this month, Saturday August 26, and we'd love to see our members show up and support us. Additionally, we will begin another season of Millard football games this month; our first game is on the August 25 and kick off is 7:00. We will plan to depart the Post at 6:00.

Thank you to each and every one of you; we have a GREAT color guard team and I'm grateful for all of you!

Randy Young. Post 374 Color Guard Commander

HOUSE COMMITTEE NOTES

The house committee continues to look for input on new projects. If you have suggestions please let us know, either at the Post, or by email:

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Darrel Swenson, Chairman

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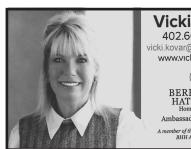
mail and the Post pays for each returned newsletter.

PINOCHLE

Played Every Tuesday at 11:00 am.

For more info contact: Harlan Holmes 402.312.2207

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SAL NEWS THANKS EVERYONE!

The SAL would like to thank everyone who made the Annual Trash Can Feed a success again this year. To all the volunteers who started early prepping the vegetables and the sausage and then packing the cans for cooking: Terry Knobbe, Bobby Sempek, Tarrence De Bruin, Junior Rudnick, Eric Brink, Randy Young,

Dave Ludwig, Bud Kuebler, John Polson and anyone else we might have missed as well as those who donated the burners and gas for cooking the cans.

Also, a huge shout out to Mark & Tammy Gadzala and Gordon Mix for running the 50/50 raffles and Mark & Tammy and Kathy Bartsch for the gift boxes they donated; Nelson Farms for their generous discount on all the sweet corn and an anonymous donor who picked up the tab for the corn;

Millard Legion Post 374 for the donation of the andouille sausage, plates and silverware and Lisa Petersen for cashiering. Thanks to the Mlady's, Shuey's and Swenson's for sponsoring the band, "Ground Zero", and of course, JoAnn Shuey for her always awesome "Brown Butter Gravy". Thanks to Kathy, Paige & Lori for bartending too!

And a huge "Thank You" goes to all who came to enjoy the event!! We hope you had a good time.





Members & Family Members

When doing your estate planning please remember the American Legion Post 374 in those plans. Those contributions help us in our Building Fund and other noted needs within the Legion and to help Military Families.

\$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$ There is one pot each for the SAL drawing (Sunday), Auxiliary drawing (Tuesday) and Legion drawing (Wednesday). You have to register to win.

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Legion	\$45 <u>.00</u>
SAL	\$30 <u>.00</u>
Jr. SAL	\$10 <u>.00</u>
Dual Legion/SAL	\$55 <u>.00</u>
Auxiliary	\$30 <u>.00</u>
Jr. Auxiliary (17 and under)	\$8 <u>.00</u>
ALR	\$15 <u>.00</u>

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AUGUST 2023

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
7ry 7his Great BLT	August 9, 5:30 pm	1	Tenderloins 5:30 pm	Open Play Cribbage 7:00 pm	Broasted Chicken	5
6	7 FOOD SAL Mtg 7:00 Taco Night 5:30 pm	Auxiliary Mtg 7:00 PINOCHLE at 11:00 am. Harlan Holmes 402.312.2207	9 FOOD IBLT'S 5:30 Vietnam Vets Mtg 6:30	Open Play Cribbage 7:00 pm	11	12
Memorial Table unveiling at Noon. Lunch to follow - free will donation	Taco Night 5:30 pm	PINOCHLE at 11:00 am. Harlan Holmes	16 FOOD Kitchen 5:30 E-Board Mtg 6:30 General Mtg 7:30	Open play cribbage 7:00	Chicken Fried Steak or Chicken Fried Chicken	19
20	Taco Night 5:30 pm	House Cmte Mtg 7:00 Buddy Check at DJ:s Dugout PINOCHLE at 11:00 am. Harlan Holmes 402.312.2207	Burgers 5:30	Fall Cribbage 7:00	25	26
27	28 FOOD Taco Night 5:30 pm	PINOCHLE at 11:00 am. Harlan Holmes 402.312.2207	30 KITCHEN CLOSED	NE vs MN 7:00 pm NO Cribbage		

UPCOMING EVENTS AT THE POST

FriAug 4	Broasted Chicken
_	Memorial Table Unveiling
Fri Aug 18	Chicken Fried Steak/Chicken
ThurAug 31	NE vs MN
Sat Sep 9 N	NE vs MN NE vs CO
	NE vs NIU
Sat Sep 23	NE vs LA Tech

★ Don't Miss This ★ Sunday, August 13

The Post opens at 12 Noon with a Memorial Table unveiling at that time.

Lunch to follow

(Free will donation)