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COMMANDER'S COMMENTS

Here we are into February already. So far, winter hasn't been bad, but this is Nebraska. A lot will be happening at the Post starting this month. Greg will be cooking wings for Groundhog's Day (the Super Bowl) on Sunday February 2. The S.A.L. is having a soup and sandwich feast on February 8. Come in and try all the different soups our members make.

The Post family will be having a fundraiser on Saturday February 22 for one of our best-liked members, Dean Carlsen, who is fighting colon cancer right now, and maintains his great attitude and greets everyone as they come in. So please come in and help him out. More details about that are in the S.A.L. news. Remember Valentine's Day. Don't get in trouble this early in the year!

Lent starts this month which means our fish fries start on Friday, February 28. You can see our menu in this newsletter.

The schools have been notified about Boys State, Junior Law, and our scholarship applications. We will be doing interviews at the Post. Notify Vince Mahoney if you can help him out in picking the students most deserving. His phone number is listed in the Post Officers section.

It can't be said enough...thanks to all the volunteers who make our Post the best in the state!

Semper Fi Gary Sempek

SAL NEWS

Hello All,

By now you have taken down the Christmas tree, the lights and the decorations (or at least you should have) and are braced for another long Nebraska winter, complete with snow, ice and the never-ending lake sized potholes that we are regrettably famous for.

Please remember you have a warm place to gather here at the Post, complete with a friendly smile and great service. Come by and enjoy all the amenities the Post has to offer, such as Monday night tacos, all you can eat spaghetti on select Tuesdays and chef's choice on Thursdays. When you do, don't forget to thank all the wonderful volunteers who work hard to make your experience an enjoyable one. We look forward to seeing you!

Our upcoming events are:

Soup and Sandwich..... February 7th

Dean Carlsen Fundraiser.....February 22nd

Nelson Scholarship Bowling & Chili Cook-off March 8th

We are family! John Polson, Commander

ALL YOU CAN EAT FEATHERBONES AND SIDES.

**SATURDAY FEBRUARY 22, 2020
3 PM UNTIL GONE**

\$10.00 Per Person

Raffle prizes, Silent Auction, and 50/50 drawings will be held throughout the day.

Hosted by the Sons of the American Legion Post 374

Dean is fighting stage 4 colon cancer. All proceeds will go toward his medical expenses.

AUXILIARY NEWS

Hello everyone,

There are gun raffle tickets now available at the bar, so be sure to grab one before we run out!

Girls State applications have gone out to the schools, so be sure to talk to any girls who would be interested. We need to have the applications back to us by Feb. 9 so we can choose the delegates that will attend.

The Post #374 scholarship application is now available. You need to have an Auxiliary member in good standing to apply for the Auxiliary scholarship. Having a Legion or SAL family member included in your application will not make you eligible for the Auxiliary scholarship, only the Legion or SAL scholarships. Also, make sure everything is filled out correctly, signed and returned by the due date.

★ Don't forget the SAL soup and sandwich night on Saturday Feb. 8 and also the chili cook off & bowling on Saturday, March 7.

★ We will sell desserts for Taco night on Monday, Feb. 3 at 5:30. Please let me know if you can bring a dessert.

Our next meeting is Tuesday Feb. 11 at 7:00 p.m. Hope to see you there!

God bless you all, - Tara Scott, President
425-577-2242

RIDERS NEWS

By the time you read this we have sworn in our new / old officers. Thank you for your confidence in keeping the current officers in their positions and thank you officers for your continued support of our mission. Our core mission statement is the Preamble which we repeat every month at the start of our meetings. From that Preamble we look closer at ourselves, our community, and our Legion.

I reflect this month on the money we raise through our Poker Runs, Raffles, and Candy Raffle and I am awestruck by the generosity of the people that donate to these events, along with the Volunteers that make these things a success. These funds are our life blood and we must continue to be diligent stewards of those funds. I believe we have done that and will continue to do so (regardless of who bangs the gavel) because that is just who we are - a community of souls looking to help those individuals and groups who are in need. We have a common bond of willingness to serve our community, our Legion, and to ride motorcycles; the patch on our back unites us as a family, a brotherhood, and a sisterhood. It is with great honor that I and the other officers accept your confidence to take our mission forward for another year. I can assure you that your officers will do the best we can to bring pride and honor to you and the patch we wear.

In my last newsletter I spoke of the amount of suicides which occur within the Veterans Community at the rate of 22 per day in the United States. Our own Marty Timberlake supports BuddyCheck 22 a group of Veterans who meet on the 22nd of every month at Cunningham's Bar just to check on one another to make sure that their brothers and sisters are ok; this program is open to anyone (Vet or not). There is also Operation 22 which helps Veterans who are dealing with thoughts of suicide or are suffering from a family who has committed suicide. The national Suicide Prevention number is 1-800-273-8255 and soon there will be a 3 digit national number.

RIDERS NEWS-Continued

The need is great; please reach out to your friends and fellow Veterans and check in on them in the next few days. If you have thoughts of suicide, call the number 800-273-8255 and talk to them; the service is free to everyone.

My hope for this coming year is to continue to support those veterans groups who are in need, to support and grow our Legion and the groups / individuals which make up the best Post in the state of Nebraska.

Semper Fi Steve Lahrs, Director

NEW FEATURE

If you cannot attend a General meeting in person you can do it remotely by going to:

Join the Online Meeting:

<https://join.freeconferencecall.com/adj374>

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There are four pots for the Legion drawing (Wednesday) and one pot each for the Auxiliary drawing (Tuesday) and SAL drawing (Sunday). You have to register to win.

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POST TRIP INFORMATION

The European Post trip in 2020 will be in Bavaria Germany from May 30 through June 10. This trip will include going to some of the oldest breweries in Germany, one with a 26 generation brew master. The trip will start in Munich and will include the following cities and sites: Bamberg, the Eagles nest, Regensburg (home of the world's oldest continuous run restaurant 1320 AD); Rothenburg, Nuremburg, the Dachau Memorial, Neuschwanstein castle, Salzburg in Austria and more. We will also be attending Bergkirchweih –the world's oldest Beer festival; this festival is always ranked in the top 10 fests in Germany.

The cost (\$2429 per person plus air; dual occupancy) will include hotels; entry in some sites/events, chartered bus transportation, and some meals/beverages on the bus. We need to limit the trip to around 30 people. If you would like to go please contact me ASAP so I can get you registered. Send an email to adj@post374.org with your contact info so I can send you the information as I get it. There are 6 spot still open. We have found airfare for around \$700.00 round trip. But for a limited time.

Greg Petersen, Adjutant

ATTENTION GOLFERS

The Tuesday morning 2020 Legion Golf League, coordinated by South Omaha Legion Post #331, has openings and is actively seeking teams/golfers. The league starts April 21st, and plays on Tuesday mornings at Tregaron Golf Club in Bellevue, starting at 07:30. It is a 9 hole league but you can play the entire 18 at no additional cost! The league is open to any and all golfers. Last year's cost was \$22 a week, plus an entry fee of \$25 which goes to the prize fund and end of year dinner/Fun Day. The league is seeking interested men and women golfers. This is an enjoyable league with a wide variety of ages and skill levels. If you're interested, please call. If you can't get a team together, call anyway. We will put you on a team or form a new team. There will be a kickoff meeting Tuesday April 7 at 1:30 at the American Legion 331, 4830 S. 21st St. We would like to hear from you prior to the meeting.

Ed Remar 402-238-6813

Tim Yambor 402-889-6929

Card of Thanks

Dear Millard American Legion #374

I am so appreciative of the grave marker you presented to me to remember Ed – so special. Thank you for all the stories and memories you shared. They truly helped our family and highlighted what a special person Ed was. Our whole family appreciates the caring and support. Friends like you are a rare treasure.

Love, Judy



The Legion has one cemetery plot at Westlawn-Hillcrest Cemetery for sale. It is a double depth vault for two people. The cost is \$7,195 or best offer. If you would like to purchase it please contact

Rod Mach 402.658.4373

POST #374 DUES

Legion.....	\$45.00
Auxiliary	\$30.00
Jr. Auxiliary (18 and under)	\$8.00
SAL	\$25.00
Jr. SAL	\$7.50



FUNERAL HONOR DETAIL

Legion Post 374 / VFW Post 8334



Richard E. Morrison..... 12.30.19

USPS News

If you move, let the Post know your new address. USPS doesn't forward third class mail. The Post pays 55¢ for every returned newsletter.

Thank you.

**February
Birthday
Bash will be
Friday,
February 28.**

FISH FRY



POST 374 OFFICERS

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★★ MARCH 2020 ★★
NEWSLETTER ARTICLES ARE DUE
(NO Later Than Friday, February 21)














Mondays - \$1.50 Taco Night 5:30 – 7:30
Tuesday - Hamburger Night - 5:30 -7:30
Thursday - Dinner 5:30 – 6:45 (menu varies)

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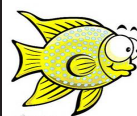
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..... FEBRUARY

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	ALL YOU CAN EAT	Spaghetti Tuesday February 18	 There is a BELL at the Post that is to be <i>rung ONLY when the Huskers get a touchdown</i> . If you ring it at any other time you will have to buy a round of drinks for the ENTIRE BAR .			1
2 Wings served during the Big Game 5:00 - Halftime	3 FOOD SAL Mtg 7:00 ----- Four Chaplains Day	4 FOOD  "PUBLIC WELCOME"	5	6 FOOD Cribbage 7:00  "PUBLIC WELCOME"	7	8 SAL Soup & Sandwich 5:00
9 	10 FOOD  TACO'S "PUBLIC WELCOME"	11 FOOD Liver/Onions & Burgers 5:30 ----- Auxiliary Mtg 7:00	12	13 FOOD Cribbage 7:00  "PUBLIC WELCOME"	14	15 FOOD
16	17 FOOD  TACO'S "PUBLIC WELCOME"	18 FOOD AYCE Pasta 5:30 ----- ALR Mtg 7:30  ALL YOU CAN EAT "PUBLIC WELCOME"	19 E-Board Mtg 6:30 General Mtg 7:30 ----- Coast Guard Reserve Birthday	20 FOOD Cribbage 7:00  "PUBLIC WELCOME"	21 News LTR Articles Due	22 SAL Featherbones Fundraiser 3:00
23	24 FOOD  TACO'S "PUBLIC WELCOME"	25 FOOD BUNCO 6:30  "PUBLIC WELCOME"	26	27 FOOD Cribbage 7:00  "PUBLIC WELCOME"	28 Fish Fry 5:30 ----- Birthday Bash!	29

• UPCOMING EVENTS AT THE POST •

- Sat. Feb. 8..... SAL Soup/Sandwich night
- Tues. Feb. 11.....Liver/Onions & Burgers
- Tues. Feb. 18.....AYCE Pasta
- Sat. Feb. 22.....SAL Fundraiser for Dean C.
- Fri. Feb. 28.....Fish Fry
- Sat. Mar. 7.....Nelson Scholarship Bowling/Chili cook off
- Sat. May 30 – Wed. June 10.....Post European trip



FISH FRY FRIDAY, FEB. 28 5:30 - 7:30



MENU: One piece Pollock... \$9.00 Shrimp.....\$8.00
 Grilled Salmon \$9.00 Stuffed Salmon...\$10.00

Hand-cut Rib Eye Steak.....\$9.00

Surf & Turf (Steak/Shrimp)\$15.00

All dinners listed above served with Fries, Coleslaw, rye bread & butter

Get a bowl of Mac & Cheese for \$3.00

or an order of French fries for \$2.50

MILLARD AMERICAN LEGION POST 374 FAMILY SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

This Scholarship Application is due: March 21, 2020

\$500 scholarships will be awarded. Competition is OPEN TO BOTH MALE AND FEMALE HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS AND COLLEGE STUDENTS. The Scholarships will be awarded to a member, a child, grandchild, step-child, or step-grandchild of a current American Legion Post 374, S.A.L or Auxiliary Member with membership of at least two years. Information provided directly on this sheet should be neatly printed, handwritten or typed since it does not lend itself to easy use of computer printing.

Which Organizational Scholarship are you applying for Legion ☐ SAL ☐ AUX ☐

If applying for more than one Scholarship from Post 374 then you need to send duplicate paperwork.

Applicant Name: _____

GPA at end of Sem. 1 of Sr. year is _____

☐ If current College student your GPA _____

Applicant Address: _____

Class Rank is _____ out of _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code _____

ACT composite Score: _____

Phone Number: _____

I, _____

(Your counselor's signature is needed on the line above)

Parents Name: _____

certify the accuracy of the GPA, class rank, and ACT Score shown above.

Email address _____

If current college student please list school _____

List your intended college or university. If you are still considering more than one, attempt to list in the order of preference.

List any scholarships for which you have applied:

(1) _____

(1) _____

(2) _____

(2) _____

(3) _____

(3) _____

List your intended major: _____

List any scholarships which you have been awarded:

(1) _____ (2) _____

Note: If more room is needed to list the scholarships for which you have applied, or those you have been awarded, mark this box [] and list the information on another sheet.

MILLARD AMERICAN LEGION POST 374 SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

*Important - Follow the instructions on the application. Failure to follow the instructions will eliminate you from consideration. This information must be at American Legion Post 374 by March 21, 2020. **DO NOT PUT YOUR NAME OR SIGNATURE ON ANY OTHER SHEET; USE YOUR SPONSORING MEMBER'S CARD NUMBER.***

Name of Sponsoring Member _____

2020 Membership Card # _____ (copy enclosed)

Relationship to Applicant: _____

Phone # _____

Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

Enclose with your application: Copy of school records, Three (3) current letters of recommendation, and a one page Essay on Patriotism. Work history, Community Activities, Volunteering and School related activities must also be enclosed. Your grade point average will be considered as part of your application. Enclose a copy of the 2020 Membership Card. Be sure to mark out your name and use the Membership Card Number on ALL documents other than this application.

Applicants Signature: _____ Address: _____

Due by March 21, 2020 – Mail to American Legion Scholarships 13913 S Plaza, Omaha, NE. 68137

Please Mark the envelope Legion, SAL, or Auxiliary Scholarship

I _____, parent or guardian of the above stated applicant, hereby give my
(Printed Name)

Permission to publish my son/daughter's name if awarded the Scholarship.

Signature of parent or guardian of applicant. Date