

MILLARD AMERICAN LEGION NEWS

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COMMANDER'S COMMENTS

I hope everyone is staying safe. It won't be long until this is over. We are one more month closer to nice weather. Business has been a little slow. Everyone that comes in seems to have a good time. We still have our safety rules, and everyone is doing a great job policing each other.

Our Honor Guard is doing a couple of funerals a week now. We are glad we can lay our comrades to rest with the proper honors. Someone stole the convertor off of the Honor/Color Guard bus. It was parked right in front of the Legion under one of the parking lights. You have to be pretty desperate to steal from a decorated bus that honors our fallen; now the Legion is stuck with getting it fixed.

The kitchen has been pretty slow lately, so we are going to try to kick it in the butt a little. Friday, February 5, we are going to have liver and onions, mashed potatoes/gravy, and a vegetable. We will also have chicken sandwiches and fries that night. We will be serving from 4:30 to 7:00.

Lent is coming up. Yes, we will have our fish fries beginning Friday, February 19 at 5:30. If you don't want to come in, we'll have take-out at the back door. Call 402.895.0405 for take-out. Please keep us in mind when you are hungry.

Do not forget your loved ones on Valentine's Day! Semper Fi Gary Sempek

SAL NEWS

Greetings all,

Well, we are one month into the New Year, hindsight is 2020 and I mean that literally! Good riddance. Things sure seem to be trending in a very favorable way as the country sees more and more access to vaccines and it appears there is light at the end of this long dark tunnel.

As we enter the coldest part of winter, we hope you all know the post is OPEN for business and it would be great to see an increased number of you.

As previously communicated, the SAL is conducting a raffle. You have the opportunity to win one of two sides of beef, processed, packaged and ready for the upcoming grilling season.

Tickets are: \$10.00 for one or 6 tickets for \$50.00. The value of the prize is approximately \$1,600.00. By purchasing tickets, you are supporting a great many projects which the SAL contributes to. Please see any SAL member or the bartender to get your tickets. Drawing will be held on Friday April 2, 2021 and you need not be present to win.

The legion's color guard detail has been asked to participate in the Patriotic Parade & Concert on Friday May 28 at 6:30. Lee Greenwood will be the special guest and Gold Star Family Members from any war will lead the parade. The parade will wind its way through downtown, ending at The Durham Museum. Conditions permitting, we are very much looking forward to taking part in this wonderful event.

Once again, to ALL SAL MEMBERS, our meetings are held on the first Monday of the month (holiday's being the exception) and we are requesting in the strongest terms that you take 45 minutes out of your month and participate!

If you have not paid your 2021 dues, there's no better time than now! We are family! John Polson, Commander and Randy Young, Vice Commander

AUXILIARY NEWS

Hello everyone,

We are planning to raffle another Cabela's gift card that can be used for anything you wish at Cabela's. We will start selling the tickets in April.

Girls State applications have gone out to the schools, so be sure to talk to any girls that would be interested. We need to have the applications back to us by Feb. 12, so we can choose the delegates that will attend. This year Girls State will be held virtually.

We will sell desserts for Taco night on Monday, Feb. 1 at 5:30. Please let me know if you can bring a dessert. Our next meeting is Tuesday Feb. 9 at 7:00 p.m. Hope to see you there! God bless you all.

Tara Scott, President





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AMERICAN LEGION RIDERS NEWS



Fellow Riders.

We are almost a year into COVID19, and it has been very difficult. We lost a very good friend last year, Greg Petersen, and we have had to make many changes to not only our meetings but also to our normal way of life. As we try to sort out the new normal I want to commend all of you on your understanding and patience. As opportunities become available for the COVID19 shot I will send an email out to you on the information I have and I ask you to do the same for me.

Our riding season is fast approaching so we will be working on our OCW Poker Run. I will also be wanting to review and update our Bylaws. Marty, Shrek, and Bob Dean you have expressed interest in this committee. We should also start working on some summer rides for our group, several folks have expressed an interest to do an over-night or a long weekend somewhere.

Please stay safe and I hope to see you soon. Semper Fi Steve Lahrs, ALR Director

Wartime Veteran's Aid & Attendance Wednesday February 24, 2021

6:00 PM **Resort Lifestyle Communities** Maple Ridge 3525 N 167th Circle Omaha NE Limited seating available

Masks required

RSVP 402.516.8287

Andrew Diediker from Simple Senior Solutions will be hosting a free seminar on a little known benefit for Veterans called Aid & Attendance.

Andrew will discuss eligibility, requirements and the claims process for our Veterans and their spouses to receive up to an additional \$2,000 monthly for their care needs.

BUDDY CHECK 22

On the 22nd of each month at Cunningham's bar on 108th & Old Mill Rd 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.

NEW FEATURE

If you cannot attend a General, SAL, Riders or Auxiliary meeting in person you can do it remotely: Join the Online Meeting: https: //join.freeconferencecall.com/adj374 Or by calling Dial-in Number (US): (605) 475-4928 Access Code: 463168 \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$

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

Congratulations **Dave Rainey - Legion winner** \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$

POST #374 DUES			
Legion	^{\$} 45.00		
Auxiliary	\$30.00		
Jr. Auxiliary (18 and under)\$8.00		
SAL	\$30.00		
Jr. SAL	^{\$} 10.00		



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Card Of Thanks

As Frank Dohn's wife, I can't begin to thank you for your service. It meant a great deal for him to have a military 'send off'. He was proud to be in the Navy. Your presence made a great impression on our grandson.

> Thank you and God bless, Irene Dohn & family

Card Of Thanks

I would like to thank the group of men and women who came to honor my dad, Clark Beal, on December 22, 2020.

The military honors that you provided were very much appreciated & special to us. He was so proud to be a veteran! Sincerely,

The Beal family

	FUNERAL HO	NOR DETAIL	
	Legion Post 374 /	VFW Post 833	
Harold	I L. Nelson	2.10	.2020
Chris I	VI. Saklar	9.29	.2020
John E	E. Fifer	10.1	.2020
Jeffery	C. Boyden	10.5	.2020
Lloyd /	A. Peters	10.15	.2020
Frank	P. Dohn, Jr	1.9	2021

2020 Honor Guard Numbers

- 90 Funerals, 2,786 miles
- 2,412 volunteer hours
- **\$7,183 contributed to Pickles**
- The number of funerals at

Omaha National Cemetery were 45 (50% of the total funerals)

Respectfully submitted, John Herrmann and Rod Mach



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Our American Legion Post is presently involved in taking names of veterans to be nominated to receive a Quilt of Valor, presented by the Quilts of Valor Society of America. The Society awards quilts to a service member or veteran who has been touched by war.

To learn more the website is qovf.org Please forward the name of any veteran to Dennis Guinane (Post 374 Chaplain) by way of the Honor Guard box in the Post business office, or you can mail the nomination to the Post:

> PO Box 390698 Omaha NE 68139 Attn: Dennis Guinane. Include your contact information so I can follow up with you. Thank you! Dennis Guinane

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★★ <u>MARCH 2021</u> ★★ <u>NEWSLETTER</u> ARTICLES ARE DUE (NO Later Than Friday, February 19, 2021) Curbside & Inside Food Taco's On Mondays Cooks Choice On Wednesdays Call 402.895.0405 For Details American Legion Post 374 PO Box 390698 Omaha, NE 68139-0698

Return Service Requested

		FE	BRUARY 2	021			
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	
	Taco Níght's			Special	All'S Friday - Feb 5 - 4:30-7:00 PM Liver/Onions or Chicken Breast Sandwich "Fantastic Flavor"		
	1 FOOD SAL Mtg 7:00	2	³ FOOD Tenderloins 5:30	4	5 FOOD Liver/Onions OR Chicken Breast sandwich <u>4:30 – 7:00</u>	6	
7 Super Bowl LV 5:30	8 FOOD	9 Auxiliary Mtg 7:00	10 FOOD Chicken Divan over rice 5:30	11	12 FOOD	13	
14	15 FOOD	16 ALR Mtg 7:30	17 FOOD <u>Kitchen</u> <u>closed</u> E-Board Mtg 6:30 General Mtg 7:30	18	19 FOOD Fish Fry 5:30 Newsletter articles due	20	
21	22 FOOD	23	24 FOOD Burgers 5:30	25	26 FOOD Fish Fry 5:30	27	
28				Specia	Chicken Div	10 - 5:30-7:30 PM Van Over Rice Ny Delicious"	
MENU: ★ One ★ Gril All dinners listed	e piece Polloc led Salmon ★ St Surf & Turf (above served with	FEB. 19 7:30 <i>IIGHLY RECOM</i> k * Shrimp * Stuffed S	almon	FC a Ca To fi Monday, Served an Ca	FOOD Ill continue to set OD CURBSIE nd in the bar or II: 402.895.04 ind out what with Wednesday & d/or to place y II: 402.895.13 drinks with your	DE 05 11 be & Friday our order. 24	