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COMMANDER'S COMMENTS

Another month of winter down, only a couple more to go. We now have a new landlord and management company. The Lord of Hosts church purchased the property in early January and hired the Lund Company to manage it. We'll be sitting down with them in the next couple of weeks to work out a new lease. The letter I received said the number one priority is to fix the parking lot, unfortunately it is winter time and the asphalt plants can't operate in the cold. The improvements to our fire sprinkler system in the freezer/cooler will take place soon. The material is on back order; the SAL has graciously offered to pay for this. Thank you very much!

February is a pretty busy month - Ground Hog day; Super Bowl; Valentine's Day; Presidents day and the start of our Lenten fish fry's on the 24th. That means there will be only be one more broasted chicken on February 3 and one more Am Vets dinner on February 17 until after Easter.

There were a couple of misprints in last month's newsletter due to miscommunication which will get fixed.

The SAL has started their annual beef raffle which will be given away on Good Friday. Please support them as they do a lot for our Post.

Volunteers are the lifeblood of our Legion; remember everyone in the kitchen is a volunteer; there may be times when an order will get misplaced or longer to prepare. This especially happens during Fish Fry's when orders come in for steaks well done and/or rare along with fish dinners. We try our hardest but mistakes can happen. Any tips for the kitchen are used to pay for entertainment for the Post.

Our bar hours are posted for a reason. Bartenders have regular jobs they have to go to the following day. When the bartender has last call, it means you have 15 minutes to have one last drink before glasses are picked up. It is up to the bartender if they want to stay open longer. Also remember they work for tips. The Ground Zero band will be playing at our first fish fry. Cold outside; warm in here!

Come join us for good food and good times. Semper Fi! Gary Sempek

ADJUTANT NOTES

It's been a while since I've posted in the newsletter. So I wanted to take a moment to say I hope everyone had a great holiday season from Thanksgiving to Christmas to New Years - or whatever holidays you may celebrate.

We are recruiting new members to the Post all the time and people are finding out how great the Post is. As a family, we all work together to support our veterans and their families. It makes me proud to be a member of Millard Post 374.

I want to post the bar hours here since they have changed a little:

Monday – Thursday: 11 AM – 10:30 PM

Friday: 11 AM – 1 AM (or when everyone leaves – bartenders discretion)

Saturday: Noon – 2 AM (or when everyone leaves – bartenders discretion)

Sunday: 2 PM – 8 PM

On Sunday nights, if there's a game on, the bar will usually stay open later. The thing to remember is our bartenders work for tips. If there are only a couple of people in the bar, they will probably not stay open past the stated closing time. The bartenders have the final say in the when the bar closes, so please respect their choices.

There are a number of events coming up (taco nights, SAL Soup/Sandwich and meat raffle, fish fry's, etc.), so keep an eye on the newsletters for more info. We'd love to see you, so come in and sign in you and your guest. Hope to see you soon! *Marty Timberlake, Adjutant*

SAL NEWS

Welcome to another winter in Nebraska!

Our annual beef raffle is underway, and tickets are on sale now. Drawing for each of two sides of beef to be held on Friday April 7. \$10.00 per ticket or 6 tickets for \$50.00. You need not be present to win but it's more fun when the winners are at the Post. See a bartender or any SAL member to purchase tickets.

We are planning our soup and sandwich on Saturday February 11. Signup sheet is at the bar should you wish to participate.

In last month's letter we mentioned our chili cook off was planned for March, however we are postponing that until fall, perhaps during a Huskers football game, so stay tuned for an update later in the year.

If you haven't paid your dues, there's no better time than now. A big thank you to all who have helped out on our SAL taco night, we couldn't do it without you!! Our next SAL meeting is scheduled for February 6, please plan on attending! The next SAL taco night is February 20th.

If anyone has pictures of any SAL activity, please let us know as we would like to add them our photo monitor.

"If you can't fly you run; if you can't run you walk; if you can't walk you crawl but no matter what, you keep moving forward".

– Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.. *Stay warm and safe! 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,

I hope your January went well and are looking forward to February!

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 Friday Feb. 10, 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 only make you eligible for the Legion or SAL scholarships, not the Auxiliary scholarship. Also, make sure everything is filled out like the directions tell you and get it returned by the due date.

Remember to check the calendar for special events so we can support all the family members!

We will sell desserts for Taco night on Monday, Feb. 6 at 5:30. Please let me know if you can bring a dessert. Thanks so much to Lisa Petersen, Lorie Jaeger and all the others for their wonderful desserts!

Our next meeting is Tuesday, Feb. 14 at 7:00 p.m. Hope to see you there!

Karen Brink, President 402-740-1455

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.

★ **MARCH Newsletter Articles** ★
Due No Later Than
★★ **Friday, FEBRUARY 17** ★★

AMERICAN LEGION RIDERS NEWS

January has come to an end, winter is still here, and if anyone is like me, they are getting antsy to ride. Unfortunately, the cold is still going to be with us for another month or 3. Even though it's cold outside, the Riders are busy planning for the upcoming riding season.

One of the first rides that we have planned is going to be our own poker run on Saturday May 20, 2023. The route is done and we are starting to gather items for our silent auction and raffles.

If you have items that you wish to donate, please get with one of our Rider Officers. We want to invite anyone that wants to participate to join us. This will include cars, trucks and those Jeep folks. This is not just an ALR event, but a community event to raise money for our Veterans, so please tell your friends and family to come join us.

One last item I would like to talk about is the raffles we do every Monday night. This was a great year and the ALR was able to donate \$6,600 to our community and \$11,965 to numerous Veteran organizations. This would not be possible if it weren't for everyone that prepares and sells the raffles. Also wanted to say

THANK YOU to everyone that buys these raffles. Without your support we wouldn't be able to donate to the organizations that we do.

Matt Schnabel, Director

PINOCHLE

Played Every Tuesday
at 11:00 am.

For more info contact:
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SECOND VICE NEWS

As we welcome in the New Year, I would like to let you know that scholarships are coming out soon. I know this may seem early but Millard Post 374 families will again be awarding \$500 scholarships to high school graduates who are the children or grandchildren of Post 374 who have at least two years of paid membership.

Applications can be picked up at the Legion or by emailing

secondvice@post374.org.

Applications must be returned to Post 374 by Friday, March 24, 2023.

Another event accepting applications soon is the American Legion Cornhuskers Boys State. This event is held annually for students before their senior year of high school. Millard Post will select high school juniors to attend the program and pay to sponsor those individuals. For more information you can go to the following link: <http://www.nebraskalegion.net/Programs/BState.html> or you can email secondvice@post374.org for questions. Here's to a great year.

Thanks Matt Schnabel, Second Vice

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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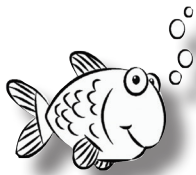


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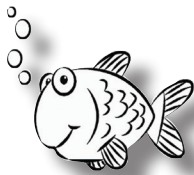
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FISH FRY



FRIDAY'S
February 24
Thru April 7
5:30 – 7:30



Menu:

DINNERS (Prices vary):

- ★ Pollock
- ★ Stuffed Salmon (Limited Amount)
- ★ Grilled Salmon
- ★ 10 piece Shrimp
- ★ Steak

Each Dinner Comes With Fries, Cole Slaw & Rye Bread/Butter.

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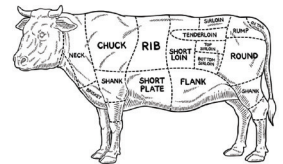
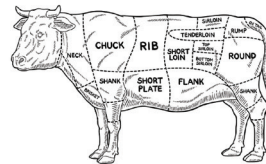
Saturday
February 11



Soup & Sandwich
Raffles 50/50
5:30 PM

Signup sheet is at the bar should you wish to participate.

S.A.L. BEEF RAFFLE
Win One Of Two Sides



Premium Nebraska Raised Beef.

Tickets Are Available For
\$10.00 Each or \$50.00 For 6 Tickets.
See a bartender or any SAL member to buy your tickets.
Drawing will be held on Friday, April 7,
during the last fish fry. (Need not be present to win)

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.

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**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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NOTICE

If you move, **PLEASE** let the Post know your new address. USPS doesn't forward third class mail and the Post pays for each returned newsletter.



MILLARD POST #374 DUES 2023

Legion.....	\$45.00
SAL	\$30.00
Jr. SAL	\$10.00
Dual Legion/SAL.....	\$55.00
Auxiliary	\$30.00
Jr. Auxiliary (17 and under)	\$8.00
ALR	\$15.00

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FEBRUARY 2023

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	Broasted Chicken Friday, FEB. 3, 5:30-7:30		1 FOOD Tenderloins 5:30 	2 Kitchen Closed Cribbage 7:00 	3 FOOD Broasted Chicken 5:30-7:30 	4
5	6 FOOD Legion in the kitchen ----- SAL Mtg 7:00	7 PINOCHLE 11:00 am. 	8 FOOD Chicken & noodles 5:30 ----- Vietnam Vets Mtg 6:30	9 Kitchen Closed Cribbage 7:00 	10	11 FOOD SAL Soup & Sandwich 5:30-7:30 
12 Super Bowl 5:30  	13 FOOD ALR in the kitchen Taco Night	14 Auxiliary Mtg 7:00 PINOCHLE 11:00 am. 	15 FOOD Kitchen open 5:30 	16 Kitchen Closed Cribbage 7:00 	17 CFS or CFC 5:30	18
19	20 FOOD SAL in the kitchen 	21 ALR Mtg 7:30  PINOCHLE 11:00 am.	22 FOOD Burgers 5:30 <i>Delicious</i> E-Board Mtg 6:30 General Mtg 7:30	23 Kitchen Closed Cribbage 7:00 	24 FOOD Fish Fry 5:30  Ground Zero Playing 7:00-10 PM	25
26	27 FOOD ALR in the kitchen 	28 House Committee Mtg 7:00 PM PINOCHLE 11:00 am. 	<div><div>SUPER BOWL</div><div>Sunday,</div><div>February 12, 5:30 PM</div></div> <div></div>			

UPCOMING EVENTS AT THE POST

Fri Feb 3.....Broasted chicken
 Sat Feb 11.....SAL soup & sandwich
 Sun Feb 12.....Super Bowl
 Fri Feb 17.....CFS or CFC
 Fri Feb 24.....Fish Fry
 Fri Mar 3.....Fish Fry
 Fri Mar 10.....Fish Fry
 Fri Apr 7.....SAL Beef raffle drawing
 Sat May 20.....ALR Poker run

GROUND ZERO BAND

Will be playing on **Friday, February 24**
 from 7-10. The public is welcome and
 there is **NO COVER CHARGE.**
 They are an all veteran Omaha area band
 playing classic rock & surf music.

*(Thank you to the anonymous
 donor who is sponsoring the band)*