

### MILLARD AMERICAN LEGION **NEWS**

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#### COMMANDER'S COMMENTS

I want to thank everyone who participated in the Memorial Day observances - whether you were part of the color guard, honor guard, escort riders or you just showed up - THANK YOU. I thought we looked great, performed fantastically, and showed our pride and professionalism.

Once again, I'd like to thank all of the great volunteers we have at our Legion. We forget what it takes to run this place because people just step up and help out. There is so much that happens behind the scenes that we take for granted. Just an example: our Memorial Day observances - someone had to arrange the bus, the loudspeaker, the cemeteries, the wreaths, etc. Some of us just showed up and did what was assigned to us; but someone had to do all the prep work and go back to the cemeteries to recover our items. I invite all of our members to volunteer whatever time you can, and don't forget your high-school aged kids - the Legion is a great way to get service hours! Many hands make light work. Some volunteer opportunities are:

- Honor Guard we will probably perform at 100 funerals this year
- · Color Guard we have commitments for the Storm chasers baseball games and, of course, our normal Millard High School football games.
  - · Legion Baseball we could use one or more liaisons (one per school would be great).
  - Taco Mondays and Burger Tuesdays help in the kitchen.

If you can help out, email me. Cdr@post374.org - Until next month, Doris ......Veterans Crisis Hotline: 1-800-273-8255.....

#### S.A.L. NEWS

Saturday August 5, we will be hosting a fundraiser for a past SAL Commander, Curt Jordan. Curt has been battling some medical issues. He has done so much for this Post in the past that it's our turn to give back to him. We're family and that's what we do. We will be having featherbones and several sides. Adults are \$10 and kids (10 and under) \$7. Please join us in supporting Curt! We will also have raffles and some auction items. The Red Cross will also be at the Post from 12:30 pm to 6:30 pm. If you can donate blood or raffle/auction items, please do so.

We have some SAL hats available for \$16. If you are interested in one, please let me know.

Thank you to everyone who went to the CWS to present the flag for opening ceremonies. It was a success and very honorable to be a part of it.

I want to wish everyone a happy and safe Independence Day.

Remember our volunteers, say thank you, shake a hand or even come out and help! God Bless our Troops! John Polson, Commander

#### **ADJUTANT NEWS**

The 2018 Dues notices will be showing up soon. Please consider paying your dues early. Currently we send to State and National \$29.75 of your \$37.00 (which means the Post gets \$7.25).

At the June Department convention it was voted to increase the States portion of the dues as of 1 Jan 2018. (National raised theirs last year.)

With the increase in January we will be sending State and National \$35.00 which means the Post gets to keep only \$2.00, so please consider paying early so we don't need to send the extra \$5.25 to State.

Remember you can pay on line (this saves you postage) or come to the Post and pay in person. Another way to save costs is getting your Newsletter emailed instead of mailed. (This saves us postage and printing costs – it costs the Post about \$9.00 a year per member)

The E-Board and officers do not want to increase our Post dues as we know we have members on a fixed income and an increase could be a hardship on them and if we increase dues this means we could lose members.

If every member would recruit one new member in 2018 we would be able to meet our membership goal.

Thank you, Greg Petersen, Adjutant

#### **AUXILIARY NEWS**

Hello everyone,

I hope you are enjoying your summer!
July is when we need to collect donations of school supplies for the Millard schools. There are so many children in need of our help. Please pick up some items and drop them off at the Post or drop off a check and we will purchase the items. Some of the most used items are notebooks, wide-ruled spiral notebooks, pencils, red pens, large erasers, glue sticks and Kleenex, but whatever you can donate will help the kids with their education.

Saturday, August 5 we will have a blood drive at the Post for Curt Jordan who is recovering from surgery. The Red Cross will have an air-conditioned bus in the parking lot for you to donate from 12:30 to 6:30. You can set a time to donate on their website or just stop in at the Post when you have time. There will also be food served. We are planning events for the upcoming year. I will keep you informed on what they are & when they will be happening.

The Auxiliary will be serving desserts from 5:30 – 7 on Monday July 3 and cooking burgers on Tuesday, July 18 from 5:30 to 7:30. Call or text me to let me know if you would like to bring a dessert or help in the kitchen.

Our next meeting is Tuesday July 11 at 7:00 p.m. Karen Brink, President

#### HELP

### The Kitchen REALLY needs some new VOLUNTEERS;

My work schedule has changed and I will not have the flexibility to cook as often as I do

If you can help out please contact me.

If there are no volunteers the kitchen

will be closed for a while.

Greg, Kitchen Manager 402.630.2949

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### The Adult "Fun in the Sun" Summer Party

Saturday August 12 - 6PM - ? Indoor/outdoor games, prizes, food, drink specials.

#### **Pinochle Group**

Pinochle group is looking for more players. They meet Tuesdays at 11 AM at the Post. For more info, call

Dave Anson 339-4751 Harlan Holmes 553-3360

**Congratulations to Jean Fife** on winning the weekly Wednesday card game drawing.

# RECENT WINNERS SATURDAY 'LONG SHOT'

Arnie Bruner (twice), Carol Davis, Bob Gay, Larry Gress

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

Congrats to a recent Legion winner:
Art Bieker

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#### POST #374 DUES

Legion	\$37.00
Auxiliary	
Jr. Auxiliary (18 and under)	
SAL	



#### **ALR NEWS**

Now that summer is in full swing, the rid-

ers have a lot going on. Poker runs and parades are about to fill our schedules. Speaking of poker runs, we are finishing preparations for our Operation Comfort Warrior poker run on Saturday August 19, starting at Holstein's Harley Davidson, and ending at our Post. Danny Noonan, former Husker player and 1987 first round draft pick for the Dallas Cowboys, will be signing autographs at the Post from 5 - 8pm for \$5, with all proceeds going towards OCW. We will also be raffling off a couple of Cornhusker and Cowboy footballs that he will be signing.

Over the past few months we've donated \$3,000 to Dillon's Dog Training and sponsored a service dog for Josh, a local Millard Veteran. We also had members of our riders present at the POW/MIA seat dedication at Werner Park. On Flag Day, we went to Walnut Grove Retirement Community, and gave some motorcycle rides to a few of the residents; for a couple of them, it was their first time on a motorcycle. They had a lot of fun.

David Schoenagel, Director

# Card of Thanks To the American Legion,

I just wanted to thank you for your time and consideration, as well as for my placement as an alternate to Boys State. I'd also like to express my hopes that you are able to secure additional funding next year so that more candidates may attend.

Thank you, William Stuart

### Dear American Legion Scholarship Committee

Thank you for awarding me the American Legion scholarship of \$500. I am honored to be chosen from what I'm sure was a qualified deserving group of applicants. This scholarship will help immensely in financing my UNL tuition. Once again,

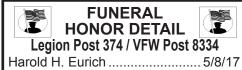
Thank You. Hannah Hesson

#### Estate Sale for Doreen Nelson Thursday thru Saturday July 13 – 15

Thursday thru Saturday July 13 – 15 10AM - 4 PM

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9809 S 204th St, Gretna, NE Brent Nelson 402-990-9552 Craig Nelson 402-763-0442



 Harold H. Eurich
 5/8/17

 Tom Upton
 6/8/17

 William F. Welniak
 6/15/17

The Post has four cemetery plots that

have been donated to us.

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

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



Kathy has a New Game. Come in and

find out how you can win \$\$\$

#### **USPS News**

If you move, let the Post know your new address. USPS doesn't forward third class mail. The Post pays \$1.22 for every returned newsletter.

Thank you.

#### IS YOUR BIRTHDAY IN JULY?

Come to the Post on Saturday, JULY 15
There will be food
(Italian sausage & peppers)
Drink Specials
and Music.

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# There is a FREE family-friendly, patriotic celebration on Sunday July 2 at 7:30 at Christ Community Church featuring the church choir and orchestra, followed by free ice cream and fireworks.

They will honor all branches of the military.

Christ Community Church is located at 404 S 108<sup>th</sup> Ave Omaha NE. (Bring blankets and lawn chairs)

The concert is indoors. The fireworks will take place outside following the concert.

### Come to the Millard Legion Tuesday July 11 from 4 – 7 PM

for a free spinal screening by Dr. Tammy Le. The MyoVision exam takes only 30 seconds to identify problems with your spinal and muscle alignment that may be the cause of many underlying problems. Dr. Le is an experienced chiropractor practicing in Omaha for over 15 years, is approved by the VA and accepts VA and Medicare/Medicaid payments for treatment.

### \*\* AUGUST \*\* NEWSLETTER ARTICLES ARE DUE (NO Later Than JULY 22)

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Mondays - \$1.25 Taco Night 5:30 – 7:30 Tuesday - Hamburger Night - 5:30 -7:30 Thursday - Dinner 5:30 – 6:45 (menu varies) American Legion Post 374 PO Box 390698 Omaha, NE 68139-0698

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#### **JULY 2017**

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
REMINDER PLEASE Do Not Bring In Outside Food						1
when we have (THE KITCHEN OPEN).						
Christ Community Church patriotic concert 7:30	SAL Mtg 7:00  TACO Night 5:30-7:30 PM	POST OPEN 2 PM – 8 PM Kitchen Closed	5	Summer Cribbage 7:00	7	8
9	TACO Night 5:30-7:30 PM	11 Pinochle 11:00 AM FREE Spinal Screening 4-7 PM Auxiliary Mtg 7:00 PM HAMBURGER Night 5:30-7:30	12	13 NO FOOD SERVED	14	15 Birthday Bash Italian Sausage/Peppers served at 5:30
16	TACO Night 5:30-7:30 PM	HAMBURGER Night Auxiliary Cooks 5:30-7:30 PM ALR Mtg. 7:30 PM	19 E-Board Mtg 6:30  General Mtg 7:30	Summer Cribbage 7:00	21	News LTR Articles Due
23	TACO Night 5:30-7:30 PM	25 Pinochle11:00 AM HAMBURGER Night Auxiliary Cooks 5:30-7:30 PM Bunco 6:30 ALR Mtg 7:30	26	Summer Cribbage 7:00	28	29
30	31 FOOD TACO Night 5:30-7:30 PM	J				

#### **UPCOMING EVENTS AT THE POST**

### Did you know?

When you tip the Kitchen you help to pay for the Live Music at the Legion