



# MILLARD AMERICAN LEGION NEWS

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## COMMANDER'S COMMENTS

Due to the Commander being in the hospital he didn't write an article.

I know he wants to thank everyone that helped to get the walk-in cooler on Father's day. *Adjutant Greg Petersen*

## SAL NEWS

As Sons of the American Legion, we were able to join because of the service of our fathers and/ or grandfathers, and we are all grateful to them. As we are about to celebrate the Fourth of July and as we look back on the 75th anniversary of D-Day and the Greatest Generation of Americans, I ask you, what inspired you to join the American Legion Family? What made you want to be a part of what we do? Are you doing your part? Whether you are a member of the Color Guard, or not, a volunteer in the kitchen, or not, assist and support any of the numerous other community service projects, or not; ask yourself this question, am I doing my part?

As you know, our monthly meetings are held on the first Monday of every month (unless a holiday falls on that Monday). The meetings generally last just 30-45 minutes and we need increased participation. The Sons of the American Legion Squadron #374 has in excess of 300 members, yet only about 15 participate in our meetings on a regular basis. I ask that, when you're able, please take an hour out of your month and join us! You have a say and a voice in what we do, so please use it!

Thanks to those that helped pick up the cooler. Also, thanks to those that helped with tacos on June 17!

Wishing you all a Happy (and Safe) 4th of July!

*We are family! John Polson, Commander*

**There will be an informational meeting about the Germany trip on Monday July 22 at 7:00. You can ask Chris Bettini any questions you have, find out the itinerary/cost, and be able to put down a deposit. (Come in for a taco before going to the meeting). Greg**

## FROM THE ADJUTANT

I have been asked to look into a Post trip in 2020 to Europe; the tour will be in Bavaria Germany. The spring trip that I was planning is full but we have one scheduled for May 30 through June 9th. This trip will include going to some of the oldest breweries in Germany. The trip will start in Munich and would include the following cities: Bamberg, the Eagles nest, Regensburg (home of the world's oldest run restaurant); Rothenburg, Nuremburg, the Dachau Memorial, Neuschwanstein castle, Salzburg 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 will include hotels (dual occupancy); entry in some sites/events, chartered bus transportation, and some meals. 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](mailto:adj@post374.org) with your contact info so I can send you the information as I get it. If you told me you want to go please email me so I can keep you informed. Informational meeting Monday July 22 at 7:00.

*Thank you! Greg Petersen, Adjutant*

## COLOR GUARD NEWS

Storm Chasers Friday night baseball at Werner Park: July 5 (special fireworks night), 19, & 26; August 30 Parades so far: Ashland Days/Ralston/Millard Days. I don't have any dates yet for Legion baseball. We are very proud of our Color Guard members who take the time to honor our flag and represent our Post. *Gary Sempek*

## AUXILIARY NEWS

Hello everyone,

Hope everyone is enjoying the summer so far and hope all the fathers had a wonderful father's day!

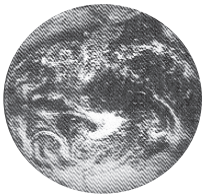
The Color Guard has already been in full swing; we had the pleasure of being part of the Purple Heart Honor Flight parade last month.

We will be hosting a trivia night on Saturday July 20 at 7pm. There will be snacks and prizes. You can come as a team or individual. The cost will be \$5 per person. Come with your thinking caps on! Sign-up sheet is at the bar.

The Auxiliary will be serving desserts from 5:30 - 7:00 on Monday July 1 and cooking burgers on Tuesday, July 16 from 5:30 to 7:30.

Our next meeting is Tuesday July 9 at 7:00 p.m.

Hope everyone has a safe Fourth of July,  
Tara Scott, President 425-577-2242



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## RIDERS NEWS

Greeting from your Post 374 Riders:

June started a little slow with the lovely weather we have been having. But the month improved from there. Seven riders on 6 bikes attended the Western Regional Romp held at Chadron Ne Post 12. Friday was a fun run of a 164 miles of the Sand hills. Very pretty with all the rain. Riding through approximately 6 inches of standing lake water was new to most of us. Saturday the poker run took us up to the Black Hills. Hot Springs and Custer were among our stops. It was a great time for all of us. Coming home was a bit chilly but still a great ride. Around 1300 miles total.

Since our return we voted at our last meeting to donate some of our funds to JAVELAN to use for more PTSD dogs for their cause. They have many vets waiting. We also donated to a PTSD fund raiser in the name of one of our riders. He and his wife winter in Apache Junction AZ. When there they help with fundraisers.

In the case of the stolen trailer, we have received enough donations to cover the loss. Thanks to all who helped out. Between the Legion Family and some other outside donations Nate can purchase another trailer. I am hoping that we may be able to work on a 'Filling the trailer II'.

All in all it's been a great month. Thanks to all of our Legion Family for helping to raise the money we use to help our cause. Looking forward to a better July. Arlin Kirchhevel

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

**Congrats to Arnie Bruner**

**SAL Winner**

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## 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>

**Or by calling Dial-in Number (US):**  
(605) 475-4928

**Access Code: 463168**



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

*The July  
Birthday Bash  
will be Saturday,  
July 13.*

*There will be  
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Dinner &  
Entertainment*





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

## Card of Thanks

From the family of Henry J. Morris Sr.:  
Funeral Honor Detail,

Thank you for your exemplary service, duty to country and love of all who have served. Your respect to the flag and service member was/will always be a blessing. Peace, Ardeth Morris & family

## Card of Thanks

I would like to express my deep appreciation for the graveside service and honor guard your members provided for my father John Boje on Wednesday May 29. This was very moving and greatly appreciated.  
Thank you, Eileen Broich



There is a **BELL** at the Post that is to be **rung ONLY when the Huskers get a touchdown**. If you ring it at any other time you will have to buy a round of drinks for the **ENTIRE BAR**.

## 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.**



**ALR OCW Poker Run**  
**Saturday, August 17, 2019**

**Congratulations to**  
**Evan Jolley**

one of the fine young men sponsored by our Post who was selected as Governor of Cornhusker Boy's State. He is a student at Millard North.

## Trivia Night

**Saturday, July 20. 7:00 PM**

Cost is \$5 per person. Participate as an individual or team. There will be snacks provided and prizes. Sign-up sheet at the Post. Proceeds to support veterans programs.

July 1<sup>st</sup> 1863 – The largest military conflict in North American history begins this day when Union and Confederate forces collide at Gettysburg.

1956 – The Highway Revenue Act of 1956 was put into effect by Congress, outlining a policy of taxation with the aim of creating a fund for the construction of over 42,500 miles of interstate highways over a period of 13 years.

July 4<sup>th</sup> 1796 – 1st Independence Day celebration was held  
1884 – The Statue of Liberty was presented to the United States in ceremonies at Paris, France  
July 27<sup>th</sup> 1940 – Bugs Bunny made his official debut in the Warner Bros. animated cartoon "A Wild Hare."

## KITCHEN MANAGER

When you come into the Post home and you see something on the floor please pick it up. Don't tell the bartender or someone else that there is popcorn on the floor; get a broom and clean it up.

### THIS IS YOUR HOME!

No outside drinks can be brought into the Post. No food can be brought in when the kitchen is open.

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★★ **AUGUST 2019** ★★  
**NEWSLETTER ARTICLES ARE DUE**  
**(NO Later Than Thursday, July 18)**



**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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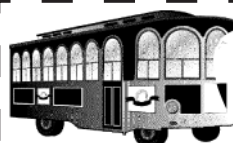
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## JULY 2019

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 <b>FOOD</b> SAL Mtg 7:00 <b>TACO'S</b> "PUBLIC WELCOME"	2 <b>FOOD</b>  "PUBLIC WELCOME"	3	4 <b>HAPPY 4TH!</b> Post open 2 – 8 <b>NO CRIBBAGE</b>	5	6
7	8 <b>FOOD</b>  "PUBLIC WELCOME"	9 <b>FOOD</b> Auxiliary Mtg 7:00 <b>BURGER'S</b> "PUBLIC WELCOME"	10	11 <b>FOOD</b> Summer Cribbage 7:00 "PUBLIC WELCOME"	12	13 <b>FOOD</b> Birthday Bash
14	15 <b>FOOD</b>  "PUBLIC WELCOME"	16 <b>FOOD</b> Auxiliary serving burgers 5:30 ----- ALR Mtg 7:30 "PUBLIC WELCOME"	17 E-Board Mtg 6:30 ----- General Mtg 7:30	18 <b>FOOD</b> Summer cribbage 7:00  "PUBLIC WELCOME"	19	20 Auxiliary Trivia Night - Sign up at the Post
21  News LTR Articles Due	22 <b>FOOD</b> Germany trip info - 7:00  "PUBLIC WELCOME"	23 <b>FOOD</b> BUNCO - 6:30 PM  "PUBLIC WELCOME"	24	25 <b>FOOD</b> NO CRIBBAGE  "PUBLIC WELCOME"	26 <b>FOOD</b>	27
28	29 <b>FOOD</b>  "PUBLIC WELCOME"	30 <b>FOOD</b>  "PUBLIC WELCOME"	31			 <b>August 31</b> NE vs South Alabama

### UPCOMING EVENTS AT THE POST

- Saturday Jul 20..... Auxiliary Trivia Night
- Monday Jul 22 ..... Germany trip info
- Friday Aug 2 ..... Fish Fry
- Saturday Aug 10 ..... Adult Summer Party
- Saturday Aug 17 ..... ALR OCW Poker Run
- Saturday Aug 31 ..... Football: NE v South Alabama
- Saturday Sep 7.....Football: NE v Colorado



### ADULT SUMMER PARTY

**Saturday, August 10**

We have Ollie the Trollie lined up to get the party started.

We are planning on going to different Post/Clubs. Please Call Kathy: 402-895-1324 and let her know how many will be in your party so we have enough room. There will be games, prizes, and, of course, drinks.