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## COMMANDER'S COMMENTS

The dog days of summer are upon us. It seems like we have to cut the grass every other day. It's been pretty busy at the Post. Bud Kuebler is our only new officer (E-Board). The patio is now open.

We probably had the best Memorial Day ceremonies that I can remember. The ROTC Cadets did a great job, and Mark Gadzala is training them to be an elite drill team. It's great to see these young men and women take such an interest.

Kurt and Sheryl's Wednesday meeting night meals have been fantastic. I really appreciate them volunteering to do this so we can have our meetings on time with no interruptions. I did learn how to use a broaster. We will be having broasted chicken the first Friday of the month. This month the sides will be fries and coleslaw.

Once again, the Legion has a fireworks tent. It will be located in the Hobby Lobby parking lot 138 & P St. The more you buy there, the more money the Legion can make.

The kitchen will be closed on Monday, July 4 so everyone can enjoy our Independence Day. The bar will be closing early that day as well.

Our Honor Guard has been extremely busy this year. We have done as many as three funerals a day, which is pretty hard considering how hot some of the days have been. The Post is very proud of the job these members do. Unfortunately, we had to do one of those services for Rod Mach, past E-Board member, Chaplain, and Honor Guard Coordinator. He insisted our Honor Guard do the entire service, and I know he would have been proud. Rod, you will be missed.

*Semper Fi! Gary Sempek*

## SAL NEWS

Happy July everyone! We hope you're enjoying your summer thus far and it feels like normal for the first time in two years!

There's not a ton to report this month, however it is important to note the SAL will be holding our Trash Can Feed on Saturday August 20 from 5:30 until sold out. \$10.00 per plate and I assure you, you don't want to miss this meal.

The Legion's fireworks stand is in the Hobby Lobby parking lot in Millard, so when you head out to purchase fireworks, please buy them there and support the Post.

New 2023 membership cards should be at the Post soon, so plan to pay your dues please!

Our next meeting is scheduled for July 11, mark your calendar and attend. Our next SAL taco night is Monday July 18. Help is always appreciated.

We look forward to seeing you at the Post.

*John Polson, Commander and Randy Young, Vice Commander*

## AUXILIARY NEWS

Hello everyone,

July is when we collect donations of school supplies for the Millard schools. There are lots of children in need of our help, especially with the costs going up. Please send any monetary donations or drop them off at the post by Sunday, August 7. It will be put to good use for the new school year.

At the June meeting, we had some good ideas on projects for this next year. Once we get some dates set, I will make you aware of them. I do need your feedback on whether you or someone you know would want to take a class for a conceal/carry permit. I need to know how many would be interested and then we can decide when to have the class this fall. There will be some hand guns available to use for the class if you don't own one.

We have some raffle tickets for the \$500 Cabela's/Bass Pro gift card for sale behind the bar at the Post or you can also purchase them from Auxiliary members, so let us know if you need any. They are only \$5.00 each and we're only selling 500 tickets!

We will be selling individual desserts on Monday, July 11 from 5:30 to 7:00 during taco night. Please let me know if you can bring a dessert. Our next meeting will be Tuesday, July 12 at 7:00 p.m. See you then!

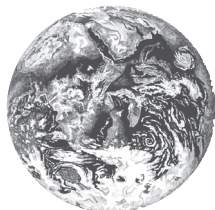
I hope you enjoy our Independence Day! God bless you all, Karen Brink, President 402-740-1455



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## ABOUT THE AUXILIARY

Founded in 1919, The American Legion Auxiliary is made up of the male and female spouses, grandmothers, mothers, sisters, and direct and adopted female descendants of members of The American Legion. The Auxiliary embodies the spirit of America that has prevailed through war and peace.

The Auxiliary administers hundreds of volunteer programs, gives tens of thousands of hours to its communities and to veterans, and raises money to support its own programs, as well as other worthwhile charities familiar to Americans. It is all accomplished with volunteers.

If you or someone you know is eligible to be an Auxiliary member, why not have them join Post 374? Contact the Auxiliary president (listed in the Officers box) for more info.

## ABOUT THE SONS

Founded in 1932, the Sons of The American Legion exists to honor the service and sacrifice of Legionnaires. SAL members include males of all ages whose parents or grandparents served in the U.S. military and were eligible for American Legion membership.

Although SAL has its own membership, the organization is not a separate entity. Rather, SAL is a program of The American Legion. Squadrons' campaigns place an emphasis on preserving American traditions and values, improving the quality of life for our nation's children, caring for veterans and their families, and teaching the fundamentals of good citizenship. Many Legionnaires hold dual membership in SAL.

If you or someone you know is eligible to be a Son, why not have them join Post 374? Contact the SAL commander (listed in the Officers box) for more info.

## COLOR GUARD NEWS

We concluded our duties at the Omaha Beef where we enjoyed another successful season. We are planning to march in the Ashland Days parade.

Thank you to the color guard team for your participation.

Randy Young,

Post 374 Color Guard Commander

## RIDERS

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## Buddy Check 22

On the 22<sup>nd</sup> of each month at Cunningham's bar on 108<sup>th</sup> & 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.

## Delicious Broasted Chicken

Friday - July 1  
5:30-7:30 PM



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## House Committee Notes

Summer is here. Vacations are here. Even though we are slowing a little for summer, the house committee has more improvements planned.

If you have ideas please let me know, either at the Post, or by email. (darrel3010@gmail.com)

*Darrel Swenson*



## Fantastic Italian Sausage With Peppers

Wednesday-July 13  
5:30-700 PM

## 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.

## Card Of Thanks

**Post 374,**

I would like to express my thanks for awarding me the American Legion scholarship. Your confidence in me and my academic career means a great deal. This goes a long way towards lessening the stress related to my school experiences. *Alex Herman*

**Dear Millard American Legion,**

I would like to thank you for the scholarship! I really appreciate it. I'm looking forward to attending Lincoln in the fall where I can hopefully make you proud. *Kyle Folda*

**Post 374,**

Thank you for selecting me for your scholarship. I will use the money towards my business administration and marketing degree at UNL. I appreciate your generosity and support. *Sincerely, Austin Herman*

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**★★ August Newsletter Articles ★★  
Due No Later Than  
★★ Friday, July 22 ★★**



## FUNERAL HONOR DETAIL

**Legion Post 374  
VFW Post 833**

Rodney G. Mach..... 6-8-22

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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.

Congrats Jerry Meckna - Legion winner

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## POST #374 DUES

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SAL.....\$30.00  
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ALR.....\$15.00

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## JULY 2022

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1 <b>FOOD</b> <b>Broasted Chicken</b> 5:30-7:30 	2
3	4 <b>Happy Independence Day!</b> ----- <b>Kitchen Closed</b>	5	6 <b>FOOD</b> <b>Tenderloins</b> 5:30 – 7:00 	7 <b>Kitchen Closed</b> <b>Summer cribbage</b> 7:00 	8	9
10	11 <b>FOOD</b> <b>ALR in the kitchen</b> ----- <b>SAL Mtg 7:00</b> <b>Taco Night</b>	12 <b>Auxiliary Mtg</b> 7:00	13 <b>FOOD</b> <b>Italian Sausage/Peppers</b> 5:30 – 7:00 ----- <b>Vietnam Vets Mtg</b> 6:30	14 <b>Kitchen Closed</b> <b>Summer cribbage</b> 7:00 	15 <b>FOOD</b> <b>CFS or CFC dinner</b> 5:30 – 7:30	16
17	18 <b>FOOD</b> <b>SAL in the kitchen</b>  <b>Taco Night</b>	19 <b>ALR Mtg</b> 7:30	20 <b>FOOD</b> <b>Stir Fry: Beef, Chicken or Shrimp</b> 5:30 – 7:00 ----- <b>E-Board Mtg 6:30</b> <b>General Mtg 7:30</b>	21 <b>Kitchen Closed</b> <b>Summer cribbage</b> 7:00 	22 <b>Buddy Check 22</b> ----- <b>August newsletter articles due</b>	23
24	25 <b>FOOD</b> <b>ALR in the kitchen</b> 	26	27 <b>FOOD</b> <b>Burgers</b> 5:30 – 7:00 ----- <b>Bunco 6:30</b>	28 <b>Kitchen Closed</b> <b>Summer cribbage</b> 7:00	29	30
31			 <b>STIR FRY</b> <b>Beef, Chicken or Shrimp</b> Wednesday, July 20 5:30-7:30 PM 			

### UPCOMING EVENTS AT THE POST

Fri Jul 1 ..... Broasted Chicken  
 Mon Jul 4 ..... Kitchen closed  
 Fri Jul 15 ..... CFC or CFS Dinner  
 Wed Jul 27 ..... Bunco  
 Sat Aug 20 ..... SAL Trashcan feed  
 Sat Aug 27 ..... Football: NE vs. Northwestern

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