



# MILLARD AMERICAN LEGION NEWS

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## COMMANDER'S COMMENTS

I would like to thank the membership for voting for me as commander of Post 374 again.

Your other officers are Adjutant Scott Spicer; 1<sup>st</sup> Vice Gary Sempek; 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice Doris Burns; Finance Officer Don Birkes; 1st year E-Board Becky Reis, Randy Pfeiffer, Rod Mach. Brien McCullough was voted in to replace Warren Johns who asked to step down on the E-Board.

I would like to thank Marty Timberlake, Vince Mahoney, and Warren Johns for all their time and support over the last year while serving on the E-Board. When you see them at the Post please make sure you tell them thank you for their service.

Prior to Memorial Day the Legion Riders went to Mount Hope, Voss-Mohr and Mount Auburn Cemeteries to place flags on all the graves of our fallen comrades (that they could find marked). I know some were missed (I had a few calls) and I went out and took care of them. When I went there I found some had no indicators showing that the person was a veteran. When we go out and place flags we walk the rows looking at every headstone for something showing they served. If your loved one's grave does not have an American Legion or Veteran marker one can be purchased at the Post home.

Did you know that one of your benefits of being a Legionnaire or a SAL member is a free \$1000 insurance policy? Go to [www.thelit.com](http://www.thelit.com) to enroll. If you do not have internet access and would like to enroll stop by or call the Post home to make an appointment for assistance. You do need to re-enroll every three years.

There are three Legion and two Auxiliary members missing their chance to win the weekly drawing, you just need to come into the Post home on your assigned night and enter. See the banner ad in on page 2.

Who can answer this question: Who does not get paid for working at the Legion? (Answer is on the back page)

- A. Officers and E-Board
- B. The people working in the kitchen
- C. The bartenders
- D. All of the above
- E. None of the above

Flag Day service June 14<sup>th</sup> at the Post home at 10:00 AM, bring your retired flags down to the Post.

**HOOAH!** Greg Petersen, Commander

## S.A.L. NEWS

Legion Family,

My name is Dean Carlsen and I am your new S.A.L. Commander. Eric Brink is your new Vice Commander. I am looking forward to work with all the other Legion family officers to continue to support all the things that we do. I want to thank Curt Jordan for his time as Commander over the last year. Hopefully, I can get my chili recipe perfected before the next Chili Cook off/Bowling Tournament next year.

Last month, we went in with the Legion and bought some iPods for the Eastern Nebraska Veterans' Home members. It is amazing what music can do to lift spirits.

For the summer, we are planning to raffle off an iPad, so watch for that.

The next SAL meeting is Monday June 1 at 7:00.

In closing, I want to thank all the volunteers who help make what we do possible.

Dean Carlsen, S.A.L. Commander

## AUXILIARY NEWS

*Hello everyone,*

I would like to thank everyone for the support of me as the new president. I will do my best to fulfill the duties my office and to help advance opportunities for the Auxiliary and Post #374. I also want to thank Kim Rothgeb for all her efforts during her 2 years as president. The rest of the officers are: Tara Scott is Vice-President, Sally Johnson is Secretary, Mary Bauder is Treasurer and Patty Polson is Membership.

We will have an informal meeting on Tuesday, June 9th at 7:00 to talk about what we want to do for the upcoming year. Everyone is welcome and feel free to bring snacks.

Our District 8 is having a Pulled Pork Dinner at our Post on June 6th from 3:00 to 7:00 p.m. There will be auctions & raffles with the proceeds going to the Eastern Nebraska Veterans Home for outdoor awnings. The Auxiliary is in charge of desserts; so if you would like to volunteer to help or provide a dessert, please call Sally Johnson at 402-891-6760.

The Auxiliary Cooks night on Tuesday, June 16th from 5:30 to 7:30. This month we will be cooking gourmet burgers, fries & onion rings. We have a lot of fun in the kitchen and we welcome any volunteers to help, including our junior members!

With all of us working together, it will be a fun and eventful year. Feel free to contact me with any ideas or concerns. Hope to see you all at the Post.

*God bless you all,  
Karen Brink, President*

## PICKLE MACHINES UPDATE

In recent weeks, five new pickle games have been added to our four pickle machines!

I. Our objective is to provide a variety of pickles with high payouts (for example 75% or more) and high tier level winnings, such as \$200 or more. We are planning to add more pickle games with high tier level winnings of \$500. In machine #2, West Coast Offense has been added. This \$.50 pickle's top tier winnings is \$250. Shake your Shamrocks pickle's top tier winnings is \$250 with 6 such pickles available for you to win for this \$1.00 pickle. This pickle has been added to machine #6 which already includes Wet Your Whistle, a \$1.00 pickle. The top tier winnings for Wet Your Whistle is \$500!! In machine #7, Cash Track and True Heroes (.25 pickles) have been added. Both have top tier winnings of \$100 or more.

II - In order to help us provide you with the type of pickles that you want, please take a few minutes to provide me with your input regarding our pickle operations. For example, would you prefer less \$.25 pickles whose top tier winners do not exceed \$150? Would you prefer pickles with higher top tier winners but less number of such winners?

For example, would you prefer a pickle with two \$500 winners or a pickle with six \$250 winners? Would you like to see some periodic promotions? For example, would you be interested in a raffle that would award the winner with a prize, such as a gift card, for all players who won \$50 or more during the prior week?

Your input will be appreciated as we strive to provide a quality experience to our members and guests who take the time to use our pickle machines! Please send your comments to me at

[irishhugh2@hotmail.com](mailto:irishhugh2@hotmail.com)

*Thanks - Hugh Spellman*

## AMERICAN LEGION RIDERS NEWS

Riders,

In just the past few weeks, we have given money to help someone with medical bills, donated to the SAL to purchase gift cards for residents of the Victory Apartments, sponsored a high school junior to attend Boys State, and contributed to the family of a WWII Flying Ace who will now get the opportunity to see their father get awarded a Congressional Gold Medal. Your generosity is overwhelming!

We held elections in April and the results are in. Jennifer Salak will continue on as Treasurer and Vince Mahoney stays put as Sergeant-at-Arms. Kara Petersen takes over as Secretary from outgoing Scott Spicer. The Assistant Director will be Tony Amaya who assumes those duties from John Herrmann. Finally, the helm will be replaced by a yoke as new Director Don Labrie sets a new flight plan for the Chapter.

I have a great amount of esteem for all our Riders but I want to take a moment to thank my officers for their unwavering dedication this past year. This job could have been a lot more brutal but your ability to work together to reach common goals kept this ship afloat. Thank you ever so much for the support you have shown me.

Our Chapter is still growing and more importantly, making a positive difference at the Post and in our community. Thanks for all you do. I have no doubt that the Chapter will continue to bond both internally as a cohesive group and externally with members from other ALR Chapters and riding groups.

I am proud to say I served as the Director of Millard Chapter 374. God Bless each of you. Ride safe - ride on!

*Dave Salak*

*Director, Millard ALR Chapter 374*

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**FUNERAL  
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Legion Post 374 /  
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4/30..... Henry L. Stamps  
5/1..... Andrew Rot  
5/2..... Wayne L. Betts  
5/4..... Gene L. Buland  
5/7..... Ewing T. Croft

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There are currently three pots for the Legion drawing (**two at \$500.00**) and two pots for the Auxiliary drawing.

The SAL drawing is Sunday, the Auxiliary drawing is Tuesday and the Legion drawing is Wednesday.

You must register to win.

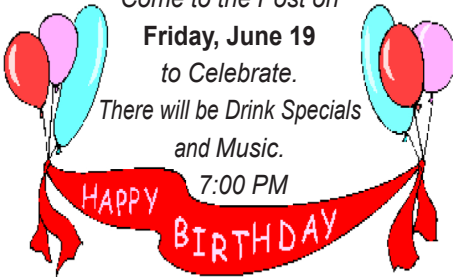
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**IS YOUR BIRTHDAY  
IN JUNE?**

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to Celebrate.

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and Music.

7:00 PM



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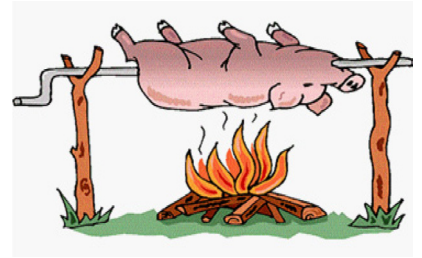
\$100 donated to Post 374 in your name with every closing generated from the Millard American Legion Family.

**FUNDRAISER**

District 8 will be holding a Hog Roast on June 6<sup>th</sup> "D" day at our Post.

This is a fundraiser for the Eastern Nebraska Vets Home.

Advance tickets are Only \$7.00 at the Post. There will be food, raffles and other goodies too. *Come support our Veterans*



**POST 374 OFFICERS**

Commander	Greg Petersen ..... 630-2949
Email: cdr@post374.org	
First Vice Commander	Gary Sempek..... 630-6490
Second Vice Commander	Doris Burns ..... 659-8170
Adjutant	Scott Spicer ..... 660-5779
Finance Officer	Don Birkes ..... 333-8625
Parliamentarian	Grant Forsberg ..... 216-0216
Service Officer	Hugh Spellman ..... 896-1897
Chaplain	Vince Mahoney ..... 250-9831
Sergeant-At-Arms	

**Executive Board**

First Year	Rod Mach ..... 397-0227
	Randy Pfeiffer .....
	Beck Rels..... 599-3418
	Jim Holder..... 689-8788
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	Brien McCullough .....
	Lisa Petersen..... 250-7254

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	Dale Van Gent ..... 895-2216

**S.A.L.**

Commander	Dean Carlsen..... 431-9147
Membership	Jim Wentz ..... 895-7039

**AUXILIARY**

President	Karen Brink ..... 740-1455
Membership	Patty Polson..... 490-4545

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**POST #374 DUES**

Legion.....	\$37.00
Auxiliary .....	\$25.00
Jr. Auxiliary (18 and under) .....	\$3.50
SAL .....	\$20.00
Jr. SAL .....	\$7.50

**★★ JULY ★★  
NEWSLETTER  
ARTICLES ARE DUE  
( No Later Than )  
JUNE 20**

**Mondays** - \$1.25 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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**JUNE 2015 - Saturdays – Hotdogs served starting at Noon**

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 <b>FOOD</b> SAL Mtg 7:00 	2 <b>FOOD</b> Kitchen Open	3	4 <b>Summer Cribbage</b> 7:00 	5	6 <b>FOOD</b> District 8 Hog Roast at Post 374 3 – 7 PM
7	8 <b>FOOD</b> 	9 <b>FOOD</b> Auxiliary Mtg 7:00 ----- Liver/Onions for Lunch/Dinner	10	11 <b>Summer Cribbage</b> 7:00 	12	13
14 <b>Flag Day Service</b> 10:00 AM	15 <b>FOOD</b> 	16 <b>FOOD</b> ALR Mtg 7:30 ----- Auxiliary Cooks 5:30	17 <b>E Board Mtg</b> 6:30 <b>NO General Mtg</b>	18 <b>Summer Cribbage</b> 7 :00 	19 <b>Birthday Bash</b> Music 7:30	20 <b>News LTR Articles Due</b>
21	22 <b>FOOD</b> 	23 <b>FOOD</b> BUNCO 6:30 ----- Kitchen Open	24 <b>Trivia Night</b> 7:00 – 8:30	25 <b>Summer Cribbage</b> 7:00 	26 <b>Legion Convention in Kearney</b>	27
28	29 <b>FOOD</b> 	30 <b>FOOD</b> Kitchen Open				

**UPCOMING EVENTS AT THE POST**

- Saturday June 6..... District Hog Roast at Post 374
- Tuesday June 9..... Liver/Onions for lunch/dinner
- Tuesday June 16..... Auxiliary cooking Gourmet burgers
- Friday June 19 ..... Birthday Bash
- Tuesday June 23..... BUNCO
- Wednesday June 24 ..... Trivia

**ATTENTION:**

Prior to ordering your food please tell the cashier if you are using cash, a credit/debit card or if you want to add it to your bar tab. *Thank you!*

the correct answer is d. all of the above. only the bar manager and the cleaning person get paid by the post. everyone else you see working are volunteers.