

# MILLARD AMERICAN LEGION NEWS

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### **COMMANDER'S COMMENTS**

I am proud to be your new Commander and hope our Post continues to move forward. Summer is coming on strong, so make sure to watch for kids and motorcycles when driving.

We will be helping with the giant flag on the field at the opening of the College World Series and Military Appreciation Day at TD Ameritrade Park on June 15th and 17th. We need 20 members from our Post. Call or email the Post with your name, phone, and E-mail address. Department needs this info for clearance into the park.

Thanks to all our volunteers who keep the Post running smoothly, and thanks to our members for supporting us. The concrete pad for the cooler/freezer is poured. We are looking for someone who can pump down the compressors, then we will need help to disassemble and bring the cooler to the Post and re-assemble it. This will probably take about 6-8 people. Please let me or Greg know if you can help.

#### Semper Fi, Gary Sempek

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## Hello evervone!

I hope your spring has started off well. I would like to congratulate Randy Young for being voted in as our new Vice Commander! Also, I would like to thank Dean Carlsen for his years of service as Commander and Vice Commander.

SAL NEWS

I hope you all had a safe and enjoyable Memorial Day spent with friends and family, remembering our current and retired veterans and the fallen.

Remember, our Post is operated by volunteers. Please thank them for their dedication to keeping our doors open. If you have extra time, please come in and help – especially on food nights. *We are family!* 

John Polson, Commander

## 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 an option for a summer or fall trip instead. That 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 either Anna Fest (summer trip) or Oktoberfest (fall trip).

The cost would 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 and tell me if you want the summer or fall trip. (Majority will determine which trip we take.) Send an email to 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. *Thank you! Greg Petersen, Adjutant* 

## **COLOR GUARD NEWS**

Storm Chasers Friday night baseball at Werner Park: June 21; 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,

I would like thank everyone for choosing me to serve as president for another year and for the support for the coming year. The following officers were also elected to serve the Auxiliary: Karen Brink as Vice-President, Sally Johnson as Secretary and Historian, Mary Bauder as Treasurer, Patty Polson as Membership, Brenda Tillman as Chaplain, and Melissa Steinle as Publicist. Congratulations to our new officers! We are always looking for fresh and new ideas so we welcome you to come to our meetings with them!

The Color Guard has already started doing the Storm Chasers and looking forward to the events scheduled this year.

We are working on a few fundraisers for the coming year; the first one will be 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.

Our next meeting will be Tuesday June 11 at 7pm. This will be an informal meeting so we can plan events and fundraisers for the upcoming year; please plan on attending with your new ideas!

We will be cooking and serving gourmet burger, tenderloins, fries and onion rings on Tuesday, June 18 5:30pm - 7:30pm and selling desserts on Taco Night, Monday, June 3 at 5:30pm.

Hope everyone had a happy and safe Memorial Day!

God Bless you all, Tara Scott, President 425-577-2242

### **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.* 



#### **RIDERS NEWS**

I know the weather has been less than perfect for riding but I am hoping you have been getting the bikes out regardless. We have been busy as an ALR helping those in need. In May we purchased two lift chairs to donate to Moving Veterans Forward. I want to thank Kara for seeing the chairs for sale and working out the details with the sellers. Thanks Lyle and Bob for helping me with getting the money from the bank and picking up the chairs to deliver to Moving Veterans Forward and everyone else for their guick vote in making this happen for these veterans in need. That is the heart and soul of the American Legion and the Riders group. It is so amazing seeing this Post act so quickly when there is a veteran in need. I am proud to wear the ALR Post 374 Patch on my back.

I know every week you see emails from me asking for help with Monday Night Taco Night. If you have never helped out you are missing out on a wonderful experience. It is a blessing seeing how generous people are. Almost weekly we have people giving money not for raffle tickets but just to donate and help us with our many charities. You will laugh at how people get so excited to win a tub of Cheese Puffs, Pork Rinds, or M&M's. The dollars we collect are the life giving blood that allows us to give back to our charities, communities, and veterans, Plus Greg makes the best dang tacos in Omaha (just my humble opinion). I also guarantee you that you will come away from that evening feeling blessed.

Please remember to watch your emails, links and websites; Marty and I are trying to keep you all informed on all the rides, poker runs, requests for escorts, and there are many. The need is so great there appears to be twice the normal amount this year due to the needs in our community to help out those effected by the floods.

Our two major poker runs are coming up; Kara will need help with the Scott Peterson Poker Run and Marty will need help with the OCW Poker Run. Please reach out to them if you can assist with your time and or talents.

Semper Fi, Steve Lahrs ALR Director



## From the 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!!!



drawing (Wednesday), two for the Auxiliary drawing (Tuesday) and one for the SAL drawing (Sunday).

You have to register to win.

Congrats to recent winners Legion - Mark Clifford Auxiliary - Jo Shuey \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$



### MEDICARE BENEFIT PLANNING

Do I need Medicare with my VA benefits? The VA strongly recmmends that all

veterans with A health care also enroll in Medicare Parts A & B. Veterans have OPTIONS!! Call now to learn more.

**Dave Nieto** 

Certified License Agent

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POST #374 DUES	
Legion	\$45.00
Auxiliary	\$30.00
Jr. Auxiliary (18 and under)	\$8.00
SAL	\$25.00
Jr. SAL	\$7.50

# Card of Thanks

Thank you for the impressive respectful ceremony for Robert Reider (despite the cold and wind). Rebecca Reider

### *Post* 374

Thank you so much for selecting me as a scholarship recipient. I look forward to using it to support my education at the United States Air Force Academy. Sincerely, John Jessen

# 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



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**.

AMERICA CELEBRATES - Patriotic celebration put on the by choir and orchestra at Christ Community Church 404 S 108th St Sunday June 30 at 7 PM and 8:30 PM. Fireworks will follow the 8:30 service. All five branches of the armed forces will be represented.

> For more info contact Vicki Hagen 402.697.8311

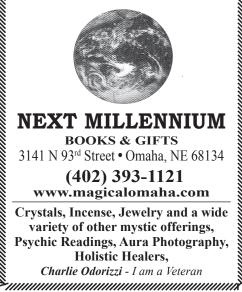




The Legion has two cemetery plots at Westlawn-Hillcrest Cemetery for sale. They are both double depth vaults for two people. The cost is \$7,195 or best offer. If you would like to purchase them please contact.

Rod Mach. 402.658.4373





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DOGT 274 OFFICEDS

(NO Later Than Sunday, June 23)

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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	JUNE 2019								
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday Day	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday			
Please join us on Memorial Day as v ★ 8:30 am ★ 9:00 am ★ 9:20 am ★ 10:15 am ★ 11:00 am	ve travel to the surrounding cemeteries	to honor our fallen. Our current schedule	Post aves etery etery etery						
2	3 FOOD SAL Mtg 7:00	4 FOOD	5	6 NO CRIBBAGE ALR Area Romp in Chadron begins	7	8			
9	10 FOOD	11 FOOD Auxiliary Mtg 7:30	12	13 FOOD Cribbage 7:00	14 Flag Day	15 FOOD Birthday Bash with Broasted Chicken			
<sup>16</sup> Father's Day	17 FOOD	18 FOOD Auxiliary serving burgers 5:30	19 E-Board Mtg 6:30 NO GENERAL MTG	20 FOOD Cribbage 7:00	21 Legion Convention in Kearney First Day of Summer	22			
23 News LTR Articles Due	24 FOOD	25 FOOD	26	27 FOOD Cribbage 7:00	28 FOOD Volunteer & Officer's Dinner	29			
30 Patriotic Celebration at Christ Community Church	Past Co for Off	<b>mmander</b> i <b>cers/Volu</b> Friday, June 2	Inteers	<b>Triviq</b> Saturday.		August 31 NE vs South Alabama			
UPCOMIN Saturday, Jun 15		AT THE PO	ay Bash 🔹 🖬 🏭		PART				
Friday, Jun 28 Thursday, Jul 4 Saturday, Jul 20		Post Open 2	2 – 8 PM ● We via Night ● We are	have Ollie the Trollie planning on going	aturday, Aug lined up to get the to different Post/	<b>gust 10</b> party started. Clubs. Please Call			
	Adult Summer Party Football: NE v South Alabama Football: NE v South Alabama								