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COMMANDER'S COMMENTS

Newsletter articles get harder to write all the time. I have to report sometimes on things that haven't happened yet...like our ALR Poker Run. It was supposed to be a top ten day, so I hope everything went great. Also Memorial Day...I know we had some great plans for our ceremonies, and hope the weather and participation turnout was great. A big thanks to everyone who made our ceremonies a success, especially Mark Gadzala for all his time to coordinate at the Post, and to Greg and Bob for smoking the feather bones, and Steve (Big), Mark and Tammy for the rest of the food. The weekend also included the Patriotic Parade downtown and Military Appreciation Day at the Omaha Beef Football Game that our Color Guard and Honor Guard were in.

We now have two new E-Board members, Tom Lundquist and Gordon Mix. Welcome aboard. There is no general meeting in June, just the E-Board meeting only.

The Legion has a fireworks permit again teaming up with Wild Willy's Fireworks. I'm not sure of the location yet, but last year it was by Hobby Lobby. The more sales at our location, the more money the Legion makes to help support our programs.

Remember, with summer upon us, the kids are out of school and sometimes not paying attention to vehicles. Please drive a little more focused and watch for kids and motorcycles.

We still have our taco night and Wednesday night meals plus the first and third Fridays. Have a great summer.

Semper Fi! Gary Sempek

SAL NEWS

Summer has finally arrived yet again; hope you got all your spring cleaning completed and are ready to enjoy a new season of yard work, BBQ's, and fun in the sun!!

Next month on Saturday July 22 we will hold our annual Trash Can Feed. The event will begin at 5:30 until sold out. \$10.00 per plate. We will be also conducting 50/50 raffles; the more tickets you buy the more you can win!

The SAL is sponsoring two scholarships this year valued at \$500 each. In addition, our membership voted to donate \$200 to the Millard Sox youth baseball team.

Our next meeting is slated for Monday June 5; please plan to join us.

Our next SAL Taco Night is June 19 and as always, any help you can provide would be greatly appreciated. Dues, dues, dues..... If you haven't paid them, please do!

"If you cannot do great things, do small things in a great way." —Napoleon Hill

We look forward to seeing all of you at the Post! We ARE family!

John Polson, Commander and Randy Young, Vice Commander

AUXILIARY NEWS

Hello everyone,

I hope everyone enjoyed Mother's Day and Memorial Day! Now we can look forward to Father's Day!

I want to thank you all for your support of me to serve as your President for the next year. The rest of the officers are: Rebecca Wesch as Vice-president, Sally Johnson as Secretary, Mary Bauder as Treasurer, and Patty Polson as membership chairman.

We have raffle tickets for a \$500 Visa gift card for sale that you can use to purchase whatever you want! The bartenders have some and you can also get them from Auxiliary members. They are only \$5.00 each and we will draw the winner on Monday September 11, 2023.

We will be selling individual desserts on Monday, June 5 and Monday, June 19 from 5:30 to 7:00 during taco night. Please let me know if you can bring a dessert.

Our next meeting will be informal. We will plan activities for the upcoming year on Tuesday, June 13 at 7:00 p.m. Bring your ideas so we can discuss them!

Thanks!

Karen Brink, President 402-740-1455

RECRUITING COMMITTEE

A recruiting committee has been established at the Post. If you have information on upcoming events, or events you would like us to attend, please contact Gordon Mix, Jim Persson, Eric Peterson, Jay Quick, or Rebecca Wesch.

BUDDY CHECK 22

On the 22nd of each month at DJ's Dugout (114th & Miracle Hills Drive) 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.

AMERICAN LEGION RIDERS NEWS

June is upon us and that means that our annual Poker Run has come and gone. I want to thank everyone who came out to take part in the ride to the four different stops and those of you who donated to our raffles and silent auctions.

I also want to thank those Riders that help plan and execute this Poker Run. Without those people, we wouldn't have been able to make this happen. It was a very successful day and we raised over \$5,000 for our Veteran organizations. We will be discussing where the money goes in the next meeting which is June 20.

With the Poker Run over, we are now able to focus on other stuff like the Fun Runs that we have coming up. For the month of June we have a couple rides that people can partake in:

June 3 is the Bennington Days Parade; June 15 we'll head down to 100 Block in Council Bluffs; June 15-18 - Illinois ALR Freedom Ride; June 17 - Papillion Days Parade, and, lastly, June 22-25 is the ALR State Conference. If you would like more info on any of these events, please contact me. Ride safe! *Matt Schnabel, Director*

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COLOR GUARD NEWS

We had a busy May: color guard at all Omaha Beef games, the Patriotic Parade on May 27 and a beautiful Memorial Day where we visited three cemeteries capped off by a truly wonderful event at the post! A very special thank you to Mark Gadzala for all he did arranging everything for this year's event!

We have one and possibly two additional color guard events for the Beef as the playoff game will be on June 7; if they win the first ever championship game will be in Omaha on June 20. Go Beef!

We will be participating in the Ashland Day parade next month on July 15th.

Thanks to the entire team for all you do!

Randy Young, Post 374
Color Guard Commander

HOUSE COMMITTEE NOTES

The house committee continues to look for input on new projects. If you have suggestions please let us know, either at the Post, or by email:

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Darrel Swenson, Chairman

PINOCHLE

Played Every Tuesday
at 11:00 am.

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★ **JULY Newsletter Articles** ★

Due No Later Than

★★ **Friday, JUNE 23** ★★

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Card Of Thanks

Thank you for the beautiful salute you did for
Leonard Becker. *Janice Becker*

Thank you for the beautiful send-off your soldiers
gave Walter Sullivan on April 29. The military honors
was something we will never forget. The respect & hon-
or shown was simply amazing. Everyone who attended
really did our country proud. My father-in-law, Walter,
would have been so impressed and pleased. *Thank you!*
Lori, Kevin & Karen Sullivan

Thank you for the service honoring my dad Zygmunt
Moritz. It was very touching and will be remembered
always. Thank you again for your time and effort.

Debbie Hill & family



Broasted Chicken

June 2, 5:30-7:30 pm

**Great Dinner
for The
Whole Family**



Chicken fried Chicken or Steak

Friday, June 16, 5:30 - 7:30 pm

The AMVETS

Will Be

Cooking

This Delicious

Dinner

**Includes: Chicken Fried
Chicken or Steak,
Salad & Roll**



Gourmet Hot Dogs

Wednesday, June 21, 5:30 - 7:30 pm

Kurt & Cheryl Sunderman will be serving.

Enjoy This

Tasty Delight

With a Friend

and Family



Members & Family Members

When doing your estate planning
please remember the American Le-
gion 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.

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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.

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MILLARD POST #374 DUES 2023

Legion.....	\$45.00
SAL	\$30.00
Jr. SAL	\$10.00
Dual Legion/SAL.....	\$55.00
Auxiliary	\$30.00
Jr. Auxiliary (17 and under)	\$8.00
ALR	\$15.00

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JUNE 2023

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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4	5 FOOD Legion in the kitchen ----- SAL Mtg 7:00 Taco Night	6 Pinochle 11:00 	7 FOOD Tenderloins 5:30 	8 'Open play' cribbage 7:00 	9	10
11	12 FOOD ALR in the kitchen 	13 Pinochle 11:00 ----- Auxiliary Mtg 7:00 	14 FOOD Kitchen open 5:30 ----- Vietnam Vets Mtg 6:30	15 'Open play' cribbage 7:00 	16 CFS/CFC 5:30	17
18	19 FOOD SAL in the kitchen 	20 Pinochle 11:00 ----- ALR Mtg 7:30 	21 FOOD Gourmet Hot Dogs 5:30 ----- E-Board Mtg 6:30	22 'Open play' cribbage 7:00 ----- Buddy Check 22 	23	24
25	26 FOOD ALR in the kitchen 	27 Pinochle 11:00 ----- House 	28 FOOD Burgers 5:30 	29 'Open play' cribbage 7:00 	30	

UPCOMING EVENTS AT THE POST

Friday, June 2 Broasted chicken
 Friday, June 16.....CFC/CFS
 Saturday July 22 SAL Trash Can feed

**PITCHER CARDS WILL BE
 DISCONTINUED
 AS OF JUNE 15!**

Kathy Bartsch, Bar Manager

**On The Third Monday
 Of The Month,**
 In Addition - The Regular Menu,
SAL Serves Quesadillas

Your Choice Of
 Beef, Cheese
 or Chicken.

