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COMMANDER'S COMMENTS

Fall is upon us already...cool nights, warm days, football weather. I'm still sticking with my prediction for the Huskers, but they need to get it in gear.

Had a great turnout to honor Cpl. Page at the Millard South football game and also with our A.L.R. on Millard Avenue.

Not a lot to talk about. Due to Covid, there won't be a kid's Halloween party BUT I've started growing my beard for Santa duties....hopefully there will be a Kid's Christmas party. If anyone wants to come in on a Wednesday night and make your specialty meal, just let me know what you want to cook and I will have the ingredients available. Any Wednesday is available except the first Wednesday of the month, which is reserved for pork tenderloins. For Saturday football games, we have been having brats or quarter pound all beef franks, along with whatever our members bring to munch on. We usually put out a donation bucket to offset our cost. Beware of Bobby's stuffed banana peppers!

Our bartenders and kitchen help are all volunteers.

Treat them nicely. Remember, this is your Post. Make it work! Semper Fi! Gary Sempek

SAL NEWS

October is here and with it brings the end of summer and the leaves are changing. Warm days and cool nights are beautiful here in Nebraska!

As mentioned in last month's letter, the SAL will be conducting another beef raffle. We'll begin to sell tickets sometime after the holidays, so start talking to your friends and family about purchasing tickets! Watch for news about our soup and sandwich event; we are still working out the details, and we have decided to forego the bowling event, at least for now.

If you have not already do so, please pay your 2022 dues!

As things continue to normalize in the country, please make it a point to come by the Post for a drink, a little fun and some comradery! Our next meeting is scheduled for Monday October 4, please mark your calendars to attend, we need more members to show up and let your voice be heard!

"If you limit yourself to what's comfortable, you limit yourself to what's possible" -Unknown.

We look forward to seeing you at the Post.

We are family! John Polson, Commander and Randy Young, Vice Commander

COLOR GUARD NEWS

As you all know, we participated in a special event celebrating the life and service of Corporal Page who lost his life in Afghanistan in August. I would like to give a special thank you to the Posts Honor Guard, VFW Post 8334 and the Vietnam Veterans of America Chapter 279 for joining us! It was a beautiful and touching night!

A special thanks to Robert Kuhl, Gordon Mix, Karen Brink and Eric Brink for presenting the colors at the Omaha First Responders event in Waterloo, NE on September 12th.

Our Millard football games continue; we have 4 games coming up: October 1, 8, 15 & 22.

When you see a member of the color guard, please thank them for their service and participation.

Randy Young, Post 374 Color Guard Commander

AUXILIARY NEWS

Hello everyone,

Congratulations to Mel Oliva as the winner of the \$500 gift card raffle for Cabela's/ Bass Pro! Thank you to all who purchased tickets and to all of the people that helped to sell the tickets.

The Husker games at the Post have been a lot of fun. Join us for the 50/50 raffles and cheering on the team! Win or lose, it's always a good time!

Covid is still around, but we're still hoping to have the kid's Christmas party this year. Sadly there won't be a Halloween party.

These past few months have been hard on all of us throughout the country, but especially for our military, veterans and their families. We plan to send the troop packages again this year for Christmas. If you feel the need to help our troops and don't know what to do, we will always take donations and we'll put them to good use. Prayers are also accepted and appreciated.

We will serve desserts for Taco night on Monday, Oct. 4 at 5:30 p.m. Let me know if you can bring a dessert. Our next meeting is Tuesday Oct. 12 at 7:00 p.m.

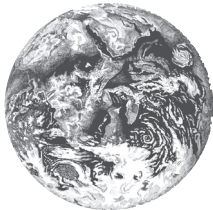
Thanks! *Karen Brink, President*



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AMERICAN LEGION RIDERS NEWS

Our season is starting to wind down. We still have some major events occurring before the end of the year. One of those events is the election of officers; the nominations are in November and the election is in December. The positions that we elect officers for are:

Director, Asst. Director, Secretary, Treasurer, Road Captain, and Sergeant-at-Arms

If you would like to run for one of these offices please make sure you let your desires be known. As stated in an earlier email I will not be running for re-election. I really enjoyed being the Director for 3 years, but it is time to turn over the gavel. I am not leaving the Riders but I have a desire to work with our Legion which I have not been able to do with the consumption of time that is required as Director. If you would like to learn more about the responsibilities of Director please reach out to me.

The flag lines and funeral for Cpl. Page was magnificent. Many of us had to take vacation or close their business to attend these events. Thank you very much for your respect to Cpl. Page and his family. That leads me to our next topic which is another Thank you to those who have attended multiple flag lines and escorts. It is not easy to change calendars around to allocate several hours to honor our fallen brothers and sisters. If you any photos from flag lines or escorts please send them to me in-order to get them on our Photo Board.

Keep up the good work riders!
Semper Fi Steve Lahrs, ALR Director

BUDDY CHECK 22

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

COME TO THE POST TO CHEER ON THE HUSKERS!

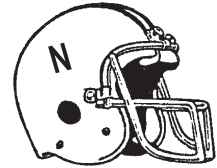
There's Either Bratwursts or Quarter Pound All Beef Franks Plus Other Food That Members Bring. **Feel Free To Bring Something To Share.**



Kathy Has Drink Specials Plus She Has Jell-O Shots Every Time The Huskers Score.

The Auxiliary Does A 50-50 Raffle After Every Quarter.

**It's A Lot Of Fun,
So Come Be A Part Of It!
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Auxiliary	\$30.00
Jr. Auxiliary (18 and under)	\$8.00
ALR	\$15.00

NOTICE

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Are You The Winner?

\$25.00

Look For The Words

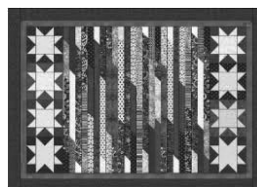
"YES-WINNER" In Red Ink

You will receive one \$25.00 Gift Certificate From American Legion Post #374 To Spend on Food or Drinks.

Kathy will present you the certificate upon showing her your **Entire News Letter** with above wording on CALENDAR in Red Ink.

Good Only October 2021 Millard News Letter (Limit One)

This Quilt Picture May Not Represent Actual Design of Quilt You Might Receive.



Our American Legion Post is presently involved in taking names of veterans to be nominated to receive a Quilt of Valor, presented by the Quilts of Valor Society of America. The Society awards quilts to a service member or veteran who has been touched by war.

To learn more the website is qovf.org

Please forward the name of any veteran to Dennis Guinane (Post 374 Chaplain) by way of the Honor Guard box in the Post business office, or you can mail the nomination to the Post:

PO Box 390698 Omaha NE 68139

Attn: Dennis Guinane.

Include your contact information so I can follow up with you.

Thank you! Dennis Guinane

BY-LAWS REVIEW

The Post By-Laws need to be reviewed. They will be reviewed by a committee but the committee need all Legionnaires to be involved. You can read them by going to the following link: http://post374.org/documents/post_374_bylaws_updated_2015.pdf

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Members and 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.

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

Congrats to

Roger Lockhart - SAL winner

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**Congratulations to the
Legion Early Bird
Membership Winner:
Eugene Dennis**



Dave Nieto
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NEWSLETTER ARTICLES ARE DUE
(NO Later Than Friday, October 22, 2021)







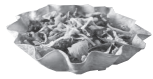





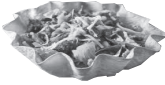



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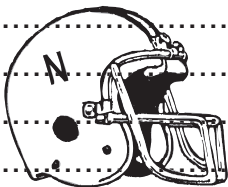
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3	4 FOOD SAL Mtg 7:00 	5	6 FOOD Tenderloins 5:30 	7 Kitchen Closed 	8	9 NE v Michigan 
10	11 FOOD Taco Night 	12 Auxiliary Mtg 7:00	13 FOOD Kitchen open 5:30	14 Kitchen Closed 	15	16 NE v Minnesota 
17	18 FOOD Taco Night 	19 ALR Mtg 7:30	20 FOOD Kitchen open 5:30 E-Board Mtg 6:30 General Mtg 7:30 	21 Kitchen Closed 	22	23
24	25 FOOD Taco Night 	26	27 FOOD Kitchen open 5:30 ----- BUNCO 6:30	28 Kitchen Closed 	29	30 NE v Purdue 
31 Happy Halloween!	Saturday, November 13 ROTC Spaghetti feed					

UPCOMING EVENTS AT THE POST

Sat Oct 2..... NE vs Northwestern
 Sat Oct 9..... NE vs Michigan
 Sat Oct 16..... NE vs Minnesota
 Sat Oct 30..... NE vs Purdue
 Sat Nov 6..... NE vs Ohio State
 Sat Nov 13..... ROTC Spaghetti feed
 Sat Nov 20..... NE vs Wisconsin



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- If you've already done this, thank you!