



MILLARD VETERANS ALLIANCE NEWS

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COMMANDER'S COMMENTS

Well, it's a good start for Husker football as well as Bluejay and Husker volleyball. It's a nice change of weather into fall, but let's not go too fast, we can ease into it with all that's going on. The new club is progressing nicely, although sometimes slowly, but that's the way these things can go. Thank you to all of those who have volunteered. Not much else is going on right now. The SAL will be doing the raffles on taco nights in October and have their annual turkey bingo on November 8th. Kathy's kids Halloween trunk or treat and party is on October 18th. Don't forget

to check out all of the specials on Husker football game days.

I'd like to thank the color guard for doing the football games at Millard South, as well as the honor guard for all of the services they do. Volunteers are always welcome to join these groups as well as kitchen help. Gary is down a

couple of volunteers in the kitchen, so please consider helping, it's only a couple of hours of help and would be greatly appreciated.

If you haven't bought your challenge coin just ask a bartender, they are only \$10 and help support the new Millard Veterans Alliance.

A hui hou- Eric Peterson

SAL UPDATE

Greetings to you all; I can't believe we're in the last quarter of 2026; time is flying by!
October is the month of ghosts and goblins, so stock up on Trick or Treat candy.

Please mark your calendars for Sunday November 8th as we bring back Turkey Bingo. The kitchen will be open from 11:00 -12:30. Burgers and chips for \$10. Bingo begins at 1:00.

Work is progressing on the new building; however, no move in date has been announced, stay tuned.

We could use some additional help in the kitchen, so please consider donating a little time.

Our next SAL meeting is October 5th, and our next SAL taco night is October 19th.

"Accept the challenges so that you can feel the exhilaration of victory". George S. Patton

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

John Polson, Commander and Randy Young, Vice-Commander

ULTIMATE S'MORES AND FIRE PIT PARTY KIT!

Be sure to buy your raffle tickets to win a woodburning fire pit along with everything needed for a fun night around the fire with the family! **All proceeds go to the new building fund.**

RAFFLE WILL INCLUDE:

- 🔥 A cast iron fire pit with wire mesh top
- 🔥 4 folding camp chairs
- 🔥 One handmade S'mores quilt
- 🔥 2 bundles of wood to get you started
- 🔥 1 bottle of Buffalo Trace whiskey
- 🔥 Assorted bottles of liquor to satisfy any preference
- 🔥 Hot chocolate mix
- 🔥 A complete S'mores kit

RAFFLE TICKETS
\$5 for 1
\$20 for 5
See the bartender for tickets!

DRAWING WILL BE HELD ON
OCTOBER 29
JUST IN TIME FOR YOUR HALLOWEEN PARTY!

DON'T MISS OUT!
GET YOUR TICKETS TODAY!

AUXILIARY NEWS

Spooky October greetings everyone! 2026 is flying by, and the holidays will be here before we know it! The kickoff to the season is always the kids Halloween party here at the Legion. That will be Sunday October 18 from 12 – 2. Bring your little ghouls, goblins, princesses and superheroes to enjoy crafts, food, trunk or treat, and the costume contest!

We hosted the taco raffle nights in September and, once again, it was a successful fundraiser for our unit. Proceeds from any money we make is given back to activities at the Post, as well as worthy causes in our community. We will pick up raffle duties in November and are always looking for new faces to help sell tickets!

October events include our desert night on Monday the 5th, and our monthly meeting on Tuesday the 13th. We also hold 50/50 raffles during Husker football games so don't miss out on cheering on the Big Red and possibly winning some \$\$!

Last, but certainly not least, be sure to renew your Auxiliary membership for 2027. The eligibility requirements to join have recently changed, so be looking for details in November's newsletter.

I hope you have a wonderful month and hope to see you soon!

*Rebecca Wesch, President
(580) 458-8409*

Auxiliary Members You Can Renew Your Dues.

The cost is \$35. Jr Auxiliary are \$10. We hope you will take the time to renew your membership and remain part of our organization. Thank you!

Please send your check to:

Millard Post 374 Attn: Patty Polson
PO Box 390698
Omaha NE 68139

AMERICAN LEGION RIDERS NEWS

Greetings from the Riders. I had the great experience of escorting the Traveling Vietnam Wall. The group started in Lincoln, I met them in Fremont, and we went to South Sioux City. While there, we saw the half scale Vietnam Wall. From there we went to Valentine and stayed overnight. The next day we rode to Chadron to meet another group of riders. We then met up with the Traveling Wall and the last of the riders. From there we escorted the Wall into Crawford. Everyone stayed around to help set up the Vietnam Wall, it's an 80% scale of the wall in Washington D.C. It was a great experience to be a part of. It was about a 1,000-mile trip and I had a great time.

Upcoming things for our Riders chapter: we're getting ready to start nominations for the officers in the 2027 term. We are also planning our events and fundraising opportunities for next year.

One of the organizations we donated to from our Poker Run in May was The Corporal Daegan Page Foundation. Right now, they have a survey to tell them where they should focus their energy, from new programs to advocacy, and local events.

The money they raise stays local and helps veterans with a variety of needs. This can range from suicide prevention events to helping with financial situations for veterans in need. As a small thank you for your time, you can claim a free foundation sticker at the end.

www.daeganpage.org/community-survey
Until next time, ride safe and go Huskers!
Marty Timberlake, Director

NOTICE

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There is one pot each for the SAL drawing (Sunday), Auxiliary drawing (Tuesday) and Legion drawing (Wednesday). You must register to win.

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Members and Family Members:

When doing your estate planning please remember American Legion Post 374. Those contributions help us in our Building Fund and other noted needs within the Legion and to help Military Families.

MILLARD POST #374 - DUES 2026

Legion.....	\$65.00
SAL	\$30.00
Jr. SAL	\$10.00
Dual Legion/SAL.....	\$85.00
Auxiliary	\$35.00
Jr. Auxiliary (17 and under)	\$10.00
ALR	\$15.00

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NOVEMBER Newsletter Articles Due

Friday, OCTOBER 23RD

HOUSE COMMITTEE

We continue to look for input on new projects. If you have suggestions please let us know, either at the Post, or by email: Darrel Swenson..darrels3010@gmail.com Kim Peterson.....lilkim9955@cox.net Marty Timberlake..trbolovr71@gmail.com Shane Bretey.....renbear25@yahoo.com
Darrel Swenson, Chairman

COLOR GUARD NEWS

Our Color Guard represented the Post at the Millard Days parade last month and took first place in the Color Guard category! Congrats and thanks to all who participated.

We will present the Colors for the National Anthem at the following high school football games: Oct 2, 9, and 16. TBD playoffs: Oct 30, Nov 6, and 13.

Robert Kahl, Color Guard Commander

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Card Of Thanks

Millard Legion Auxiliary,
 On behalf of the staff at Central Middle School, we want to thank you for the school supplies and monetary donation for our students! We appreciate your partnership with our school. *Sincerely, CMS staff*

WANTED:

A kitchen cashier for one or two Wednesdays per month.
 It doesn't take a lot of time, and you'll have fun! You will be trained. If interested, call or text Lisa Petersen 402.250.7254

TURKEY BINGO
 SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 8
 STARTS AT 1:00

SPONSORED BY SONS OF THE AMERICAN LEGION

\$20 for a book of 15 games
 2nd book - \$10
 3rd book - \$5
 Daubers are available for \$1

A FINAL GRAND PRIZE BLACKOUT GAME! WINNER TO RECEIVE \$100

SEPARATE GAME \$5 per single ticket

BURGERS & CHIPS AVAILABLE FROM 11:00 - 12:30 • \$10.00

MILLARD VETERANS ALLIANCE
OCTOBER MENU
Good Food ★ Great Purpose

FRIDAY OCTOBER 2
Broasted Chicken
 OPENS 5:30 PM

WEDNESDAY OCTOBER 14
Chicken & Noodles
 OPENS 5:30 PM

FRIDAY OCTOBER 16
Chicken Fried Steak or Chicken Fried Chicken
 OPENS 5:30 PM

MONDAY OCTOBER 19
Tacos & Quesadillas
 OPENS 5:30 PM

WEDNESDAY OCTOBER 21
BLT's & Fries
 OPENS 5:30 PM

WEDNESDAY OCTOBER 28
Hotbeef Sandwich
 OPENS 5:30 PM

★ **EVERYONE WELCOME!** ★ ★ *Thank You For Supporting Our Veterans and Community!* ★

Outreach Committee
ANNUAL SHOOT THE MINNOW

OCTOBER 10TH, 2026 AT 7PM

\$35 | FOR TSHIRT AND MINNOW SHOT
\$10 | FOR JUST THE MINNOW SHOT

FIRST 25 PEOPLE THROUGH THE DOOR GET THE OPTION OF A SHIRT

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OCTOBER 2026

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1 Cribbage 7:00  Kitchen Closed	2 FOOD Broasted chicken 5:30 	3 FOOD NE vs MD 
4	5 FOOD Legion serves tacos 5:30 ----- SAL Mtg 7:00	6  Pinochle 11:00 am.  Darts 6:00 PM	7 FOOD Tenderloins or burgers 5:30 	8 Cribbage 7:00  Kitchen Closed	9 FOOD VFW serves burgers 5:30 	10 FOOD NE vs IN ----- Shoot the Minnow 7:00
11 Quilts of Valor presentation 5:00	12 FOOD ALR serves tacos 5:30 ----- VFW Mtg 7:00	13 Pinochle 11:00 am. Darts 6 PM Auxiliary Mtg. 7 PM	14 FOOD Chicken & Noodles 5:30 pm ----- Vietnam Vets Mtg 6:30 pm	15 Cribbage 7:00  Kitchen Closed	16 FOOD AMVETS serves CFS/CFC 5:30	17 FOOD NE vs OR 
18 Kids Halloween party 12- 2 	19 FOOD SAL serves tacos & quesadillas 5:30 ----- ALR Mtg 7:00	20  Pinochle 11:00 am.  Darts 6:00 PM	21 FOOD BLT's & Fries 5:30 ----- E-Board Mtg 6:30 ----- General Mg 7:30	22 Cribbage 7:00  Kitchen Closed	23 November NL ★ articles due	24
25	26 FOOD Auxiliary serves rice bowls & tacos 5:30 	27  Pinochle 11:00 am.  Darts 6:00 PM	28 FOOD Hotbeef Sandwich 5:30	29 Fire pit raffle drawing ----- ONCSC Mtg 6:00 ----- Cribbage 7:00	30	31 FOOD NE vs WA  Adult Halloween Party 6:30

UPCOMING EVENTS AT THE POST

Sat..... Oct..... 3..... Football – NE vs MD
 Sat..... Oct... 10..... Football – NE vs IN
 Sat..... Oct... 10..... Shoot the minnow
 Sun..... Oct... 11..... Quilts of Valor presentation
 Sat..... Oct... 17..... Football – NE vs OR
 Sun..... Oct... 18..... Kids Halloween party
 Sat..... Oct... 31..... Football – NE vs WA
 Sat..... Oct... 31..... Adult Halloween party
 Sat..... Nov 6..... Football – NE vs IL
 Sun..... Nov 8..... SAL BINGO

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