

# MILLARD AMERICAN LEGION NEWS

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## **COMMANDER'S COMMENTS**

Summer is coming to an end. Kids are back in school. We are getting to the end of our garden harvests. Bowling leagues are starting. Golf leagues are ending. That means volleyball and football are now our sports!! The Post will be opening at noon on Sundays for NFL games. Come in for Sunday fun day, which has become one of the better "income" days at the Post. We will have the NFL package again this year, so come in and watch your favorite team. It was voted on by the E-Board that the jukebox can be played during these games, since there may be multiple games on our TVs. There will be NO music during Nebraska volleyball or football games, except maybe the fight song after touchdowns. We will try to have some food for the games from the Post or pot luck from our members. This is usually posted on the door or our bartenders will know if you call and ask. The Auxiliary will be running 50/50 raffles during the games again this year. This is a good fundraiser for them.

Now, for the question everyone has been asking: yes, we finally have a new lease which will be signed by the time you get this newsletter. The lease is for three years, which is all the Lord of Hosts Church is offering at this time. So, there's a little ease of mind for a while. We do have a separate building fund for our future. Just earmark any donations if you want to donate specifically to that account.

This past month, I had the honor of unveiling another memorial table for Arnold Estuss who is the father of our Past Commander Doris Burns. Thanks to Jim Holder for his hard work making these table tops.

Also, once again, a big THANKS to our bartenders and kitchen help who are all volunteers who keep our Post running. Thanks also to Lisa Petersen for getting out the newsletter every month.

The 2024 membership cards are here. Please renew early. Most people at our Post don't know that we have a Recruitment Committee which attends different events around our area and promotes our Legion, S.A.L., and Auxiliary, and what we stand for. Good job and thanks for your time and effort.

Quick reminder...no politics at the Post. Go Big Red! Semper Fi! Gary Sempek

## **SAL NEWS**

With summer coming to an end, and fall approaching it's time to say, Go Big Red!! Hopefully the touchdown bell will see a lot of action this season. We hope everyone is doing well and you had a great summer.

The Post is offering a fun filled day on the September 16 with Ollie the Trolley where we will venture to several bars while enjoying the fall temps with friends. Signup sheet is at the bar; \$35.00 per person and is nonrefundable, so if you sign up and pay and then don't show up, oh well.

The Post will be offering Huskers game day parties again this year complete with Husker Punch, 50/50 raffles, Jell-O & pudding shots, and various game day drink specials. Come cheer on the Huskers with us!

2024 membership cards are at the Post, so please pay your dues. Speaking of memberships; while our ranks are still strong, we always need new members; please talk with friends, neighbors, and people you come across in your community, and let them know the value of the American Legion and encourage those eligible to consider joining our family.

Our next SAL taco night is 18 and as always, your assistance would be greatly appreciated.

Our next SAL meeting is scheduled for Sunday, September 3 at 3:00. Note the different day and time.

"People who wonder if the glass is half empty or half full miss the point. The glass is refillable."
—Unknown. 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,

Thank you so much for your donations of school supplies for the kids. We had the most donations that we've ever had! We were able to bring supplies to 5 different schools and gave them each a check for \$350 to buy any other supplies they need!

Millard Days celebration was a great time! Between the parade, the rides, the beer garden & the bands, I hope you had a chance to

Husker games have started again and we will be running the 50/50 raffles during the games. Come to the Post to cheer them on!

Time is running out on purchasing raffle tickets for the \$500 Visa gift card. We will draw the winner during dessert night on Monday, Sept. 11th.

We will be having a kid's Halloween party this year. Kathy has it scheduled for Sunday, Oct. 22, so plan on coming to the Post to see all the costumes!

Membership cards are ready to be given out for 2024, so send in your dues or drop them off at the Post. Auxiliary are \$35 and Jr. Auxiliary are \$10.

Our next meeting is Tuesday, Sept. 12 at 7:00 and we will serve desserts for Taco Night on Monday, Sept. 11 at 5:30 p.m. Let me know if you can bring a dessert.

Thank you, Karen Brink, President 402-740-1455

## RECRUITING COMMITTEE

The recruiting committee will be busy in September. The following events are scheduled: Saturday September 9, 2:00 to 10:30PM "The Hero Stock" function will be held at Around the Bend Steak house in Ashland. Saturday September 16, we will be helping Legion Post 353 in Louisville in the kitchen; Saturday September 23 at 2:00 PM the 22-mile bicycle ride to "Stop the cycle of suicide" will be held. Please feel free to join in any of the events.

If you have any suggestions, please inform a member of the recruiting committee: Gordon Mix, Jim Persson, Jay Quick, and Rebecca Wesch.



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## AMERICAN LEGION RIDERS NEWS

School is back in session and things are starting to slow down except for our raffle crew on Mondays. Last month we broke a record of 25 raffles. A few weeks later we broke that record. They had 30 games and that brought about \$1,200 to donate to our Veterans. Thanks for everyone's help selling and buying those \$1.00 raffle tickets.

The big things that are happening in September are Hero Stock and our monthly meeting. Hero Stock is on Sept 9 and will be held at Around the Bend Steak House. This is located near Ashland NE and will start at 2:00 PM. Some of the Riders will be out there to hand Wheels for Warriors a \$3,000 check. Hope we can get as many people out there as possible.

The monthly meeting will be on Sept 12

Stay safe and be on the lookout for our brothers and sisters on 2 or 3 wheels. Ride safe! Matt Schnabel, Director

#### **BUDDY CHECK 22**

On the 22<sup>nd</sup> 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. More info at www.bc22vsa.com





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## **COLOR GUARD NEWS**

It's time for another season of Millard Football. Here is the upcoming schedule :September 1, 8, 15, 22, 29, Oct. 13 and 20. Playoffs TBD.

Note: Post departure for all games is 6:15. Thank you to all for your loyal participation! 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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## NOTICE

If you move, **PLEASE** let the Post know your new address. USPS doesn't forward third class mail and the Post pays for each returned newslet-

## **PINOCHLE**

**Played Every Tuesday** at 11:00 am.

For more info contact: Harlan Holmes 402.312.2207

**★ OCTOBER Newsletter Articles ★** Due No Later Than ★★ Friday, SEPT. 22 ★★



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# Card Of Thanks

Dear Sirs,

Thank you for the \$200 scholarship to participate in the Junior Law Cadet program. I learned about the many employment pathways the Nebraska State Patrol offers. I look forward to pursuing this as a career. Sincerely, Steven Miller

#### Honor Detail,

Thanks to each of you who provided the memorial service for my husband, David Miller, on July 24 at Westlawn. The flag folding ceremony was a heart wrenching service in honor of his 20 years in the USAF. He was a great man to be missed by many. Thanks again, Mary Miller & family

## **Once Only Every 20 Years In Omaha Nebraska**

Shriners Who Represent 21 Shriners Hospitals From 9 States Will Be Here To Compete For Best In Parade. Exotic, Custom Made Vehicles, Bands, Marching Units and Many More. "FREE TO ALL SPECTATORS" Saturday, September 2, 9:00 am. See Parade Route Below. Starts at 80<sup>th</sup> & Highland St., Ralston.



Wednesday, Sept. 13, - 5:30 - 7:00 PM



**MEATBALL Sandwich** 



Great Dinner

for The

Whole

family







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# Members & 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 is one pot each for the SAL drawing (Sunday), Auxiliary drawing (Tuesday) and Legion drawing (Wednesday).

You have to register to win.

**Congrats Tatum Harmsen - Aux winner** 

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## MILLARD POST #374 DUES 2023

| DUES 2023                    |                   |
|------------------------------|-------------------|
| Legion                       | 45 <u>.00</u>     |
| SAL                          | 30 <u>.00</u>     |
| Jr. SAL                      | 10 <del>.00</del> |
| Dual Legion/SAL              | 55 <u>.00</u>     |
| Auxiliary                    | 35 <u>.00</u>     |
| Jr. Auxiliary (17 and under) | 10 <del>.00</del> |
| ALR                          | 15 <u>.00</u>     |

#### **POST 374 OFFICERS** Email: cdr@post374.org First Vice Commander......Jerry Meckna......402-457-9914 Second Vice Commander......Matt Schnabel ......402-871-5421 Email: secondvice@post374.org Adjutant/Membership......Marty Timberlake......402-699-1216 Email adj@post374.org Finance Officer .......Jim Schwalb ......402-578-9077 Sergeant-At-Arms......Marty Timberlake......402-699-1216 **Executive Board** Eric Peterson .......402-212.4283 Tom Lundquist..... Randy Pfeiffer ......402-800-0699 Bud Kuebler .......402-690-9050 Newsletter email: news@post374.org Jerry Uhing ...... 402-677-5784 **AUXILIARY** Director.....

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## SEPTEMBER 2023

| Sunday   | Monday                           | Tuesday   | Wednesday  | Thursday               | Friday                              | Saturday                                       |
|--|----------------------------------|---|--|------------------------|-------------------------------------|--|
| 7ry 7his<br>Chicken &<br>Served Ove<br>Potat<br>w/Sweet Corn | Noodles<br>Rashed<br>Roes        |   | Cooked By Gandma Sunderman herself. Wednesday Sept. 20, 5:30 pm  |                        | 1 Broasted<br>Chicken<br>5:00 pm    | 2  |
| 3<br>SAL Mtg 3:00  | 4<br>KITCHEN<br>CLOSED           | PINOCHLE at 11:00 am. Harlan Holmes 402.312.2207                                | 6 FOOD<br>Tenderloins<br>5:30  | 7<br>Cribbage<br>7:00  | 8                                   | 9 FOOD<br>NE vs CO<br>football<br>11:00        |
| 10   | Taco Night 5:30 pm               | 12 Auxiliary Mtg 7:00 PINOCHLE at 11:00 am. Harlan Holmes 402.312.2207          | 13 FOOD Meatball subs 5:30 Vietnam Vets Mtg 6:30   | 14<br>Cribbage<br>7:00 | 15<br>CFS or CFC<br>5:30            | Ollie The Trolley tour NE vs NIU football 6:00 |
| 17   | 18 FOOD<br>Taco Night<br>5:30 pm | 19<br>ALR Mtg 7:30<br>PINOCHLE<br>at 11:00 am.<br>Harlan Holmes<br>402.312.2207 | 20 FOOD Chicken & Noodles Served Over Mashed Potatoes w/Sweet Corn & Dinner Roll E-Board Mtg 6:30 General Mtg 7:30 | Cribbage 7:00          | 22<br>Buddy Check at<br>DJ's Dugout | NE vs LA<br>Tech football                      |
| 24   | 25 FOOD<br>Taco Night<br>5:30 pm | House Cmte Mtg 7:00  PINOCHLE at 11:00 am. Harlan Holmes 402.312.2207           | 27 FOOD<br>Burgers 5:30  | Cribbage 7:00          | 29                                  | NE vs MI<br>football                           |

## **UPCOMING EVENTS AT THE POST**

| Fri Sep 1    |     | Broasted chicken                    |
|--------------|-----|-------------------------------------|
| Sat Sep 9    |     | NE vs CO                            |
| Fri Sep 15   |     | CFS/CFC dinner                      |
| Sat Sep . 16 | N A | Ollie the Trolley tour<br>NE vs NIU |
| Sat Sep . 16 |     | NE vs NIU                           |
| Sat Sep . 23 |     | NE vs LA Tech<br>NE vs MI           |
| Sat Sep . 30 |     | NE vs MI                            |
|              |     | NE vs IL                            |
| Sun Oct . 22 |     | Kids Halloween party                |

## Please renew your Auxiliary dues! The cost is ......\$35.00 Jr Auxiliary are .....\$10.00

We hope you will take the time to renew your membership and remain a part of our organization.

Thank you!

### Please send your check to

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