

PRESIDENT'S CORNER

I would like to thank Valley Auxiliary and Legion for hosting the District 8 Convention; you all did an amazing job. Thank you to everyone who came to the convention, I feel it went really well and hope you heard some good things. We went over all the county reports and my own report of national and mid-year convention. Department would like to see at least one member from each unit attend department convention. You can learn what other units are working to fulfill the programs.

Congratulations to our very own District 8 Vice President Melissa Steinle for receiving public relations award from National along with Gretna on receiving the northwestern division public relation best unit award. Gretna will be having their Poppy Center Piece, Prayer book, History book and Publicity book moving on to department and Bennington's Poppy Corsage moving to department competition. During the convention we had a silent auction for the baskets that units provided and raised funds for Javelin. During the Auxiliary business meeting we had an impromptu live auction of auxiliary branded items, provided by District 8 Vice Commander James Carmona. The funds from the auction-\$200- were donated to the Auxiliary emergency fund (AEF).

**Whirlwind tour is this weekend April 5th and 6th see other attachment for schedule.

**If you haven't yet, please send me your current president and membership chair, that way Melissa Steinle (District Vice President) and myself can send you the membership updates. Also, please send me your meeting days and times along with any events you have coming up or you have planned in the future so I can arrange to come visit.

**If interested in looking at our benefits you can go online to www.ALAforVeterans.org/Member-Benefits and create an account there is a lot of good stuff on our www.ALAforVeterans.org website. Check it out.

2024 Whirlwind Tour

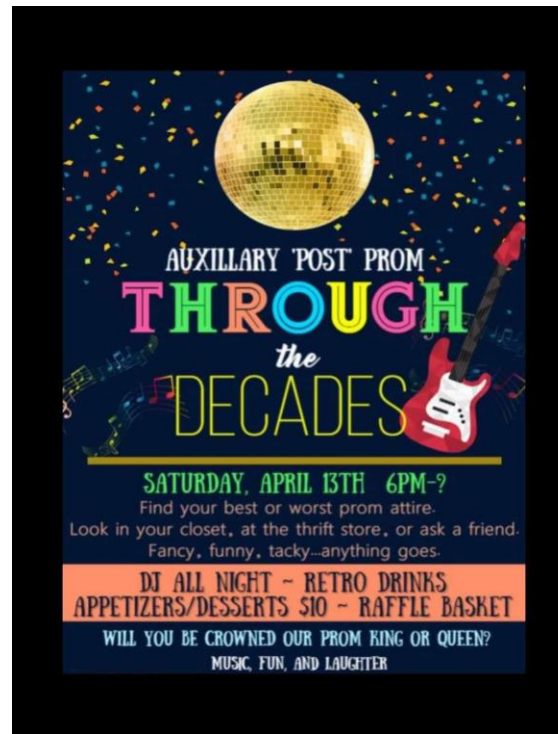
FRIDAY, APRIL 5, 2024

- 5:30 PM: Benson #112 & Omaha #30 – *Meet at VFW 2503*
(Travel to Bennington)
- 6:30 PM: Bennington #266 – *Meet at Bennington Post #266*
(Travel to Arlington)
- 7:30 PM: Arlington #71 & Kennard #366 – *Meet at Arlington Post #71*
(Travel to Blair)
- 8:30 PM: Blair #154, Ft. Calhoun #348 & Herman #274 – *Meet at Blair Post #154*

SATURDAY, APRIL 6, 2024

- 8:00 AM: Omaha #1 – *Meet at Omaha Post #1*
(Travel to South Omaha)
- 9:00 AM: Bellevue #37, Bellevue #339 & So. Omaha #331 – *Meet at So. Omaha Post #331*
(Travel to Millard)
- 10:00 AM: Millard #374 & Papillion #32 – *Meet at Millard Post #374*
(Travel to Gretna)
- 11:00 AM: Gretna #216 & Springfield #143 – *Meet at Gretna Post #216*
(Travel to Valley)
- 12:00 PM: Elkhorn #211 (Unit #362) & Valley #58 – *Meet at Valley Post #58*

District Events



Eastern Nebraska Veterans Home Event Calendar

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
April 2024 Activities Calendar Eastern Nebraska Veterans' Home Bellevue, NE 	1 9:30 am Devotions.....S 10 am Bingo w/ St. Matthews KOC...DR 1 pm Rosary.....C 1:30 pm Black Jack w/ the Smiths...MGR 3 pm Crafts.....M	2 9 am Manicures.....TS 9:30 am Rummikub.....MGR 1 pm Card Party.....DR 2 pm Ice Cream Social w/AL #1...DR 3 pm Dominoes.....MGR	3 10 am Fontenelle Forest Presentation.....MGR 1 pm Pass the Pigs.....MGR 2 pm Bingo w/ALA #32.....DR	4 9:30 am Hymns.....S 10 am Bible Study.....C 1 pm Catholic Mass.....C 1:45 pm Activity Meeting.....DR 2:30 pm Keno.....MGR 6:30 pm Bingo.....DR	5 10 am Music by Tim Javorsky.....TS 2 pm Bingo w/Gold Star Wives...DR 3 pm Snacks.....DR STATE OF NEBRASKA DAY	6 10 am Puppet Show.....TS 
7 9:45 am All Faith Service.....C 10:30 am All Faith Service.....A 10:45 am Catholic Communion.....C 1 pm Open Game room with Thanksgiving Church.....MGR Snack Cart 	8 9:30 am Devotions.....S 10 am Bingo w/Papillon Eagles...DR 1 pm Rosary.....C 1-2 pm Solar Eclipse with Moon Pies and Milkyways.....Central Patio 1:30 pm Texas Hold'em w/the Smiths...MGR 3 pm Reading Group.....M/S	9 9 am Manicures.....TS 9:30 am Kings in the Corner...MGR 1 pm Pitch.....DR 2 pm Yahtzee.....MGR 3 pm Fresh Popped Popcorn...NZN	10 9 am Walmart.....TS 1 pm Card Party.....DR 2 pm Ice Cream Social w/MOPH & Aux. & Piano Music by Bob Anselout of ARC.DR 	11 9:30 am Hymns.....S 10 am Bible Study.....C 11:30 am Burger King Delivered....\$\$\$ 1 pm Catholic Mass.....C 2 pm Painting.....MGR 6:30 pm Bingo w/St. James...DR	12 10 am Keyboard by Tom Bryant...TS 1:30 pm Dominoes.....MGR 2 pm Patriotic Bingo.....DR	13 10 am Bingo w/Elks Lodge.....DR 
14 9:45 am All Faith Service.....C 10:30 am All Faith Service.....A 10:45 am Catholic Communion.....C 2 pm Bingo w/'The Connection'...DR Snack Cart 	15 9:30 am Devotions.....S 10 am Bingo w/MOC & Aux and Raffle by VFW #2503...DR 1 pm Rosary.....C 1:30 pm Black Jack w/the Smiths...MGR 1:30 pm M&S Bus Ride.....TS 3 pm Crafts.....M	16 9 am Manicures.....TS 9:30 am Kings in the Corner...MGR 1 pm Pitch.....DR 2 pm Bingo w/MOC Pup Tent #4.DR 3 pm Snacks.....DR 	17 10 am POKENO.....MGR 10:30 am Lunch at GI Forum...TS 1 pm Right/Left/Center (Dice)...MGR 2 pm Happy Hour.....MGR 2:30pm Fresh Popped Popcorn.NZN	18 9:30 am Hymns.....S 10 am Memorial Service.....C 1 pm Catholic Mass.....C 2pm Texas Hold'em...MGR 2:30 pm 1-1's.....S 6:30 pm Bingo w/the Smiths...DR	19 10 am Music by Magick K.....TS 1 pm Card Party.....DR 2 pm Ice Cream Social w/AL & ALA Department of Nebraska...DR 4:45 pm Cookout w/VFW #2280...MGR 	20 2:15 pm Bingo w/Navy Federal Credit Union.....DR 
21 9:45 am All Faith Service.....C 10:30 am All Faith Service.....A 10:45 am Catholic Communion.....C 2 pm Bingo w/VFW #247.....DR Snack Cart 	22 9:30 am Devotions.....S 10 am Music by Merry Maker Mike McCracken.....TS 1 pm Rosary.....C 1:30 pm Texas Hold'em w/the Smiths...MGR 3 pm Reading Group.....M/S	23 9 am Manicures.....TS 9:30 am Kings in the Corner...MGR 1 pm Pitch.....DR 2 pm Spring Scattergories...MGR 3 pm Shoot Pool.....MGR	24 10 am Music by Now & Forever...TS 11 am Birthday Lunch.....DR 1:15 pm Birthday Bingo w/SAL #112.....DR 2:15 pm Birthday Cookies.....TS	25 9:30 am Hymns.....S 10 am Bible Study.....C 1 pm Catholic Mass.....C 2 pm Member Council.....DR 2:30 pm Food Council.....DR 6:30 pm Bingo w/VFW #2704...DR	26 Tree Scavenger Hunt in Town Square Activity Packets Available in your Neighborhood ARBOR DAY	27 10 am Bingo w/OESC.....DR 
28 9:45 am All Faith Service.....C 10:30 am All Faith Service.....A 10:45 am Catholic Communion.....C 1 pm Kings in the corner...MGR Snack Cart	29 9:30 am Devotions.....S 10 am Bingo.....DR (Sponsored by the Swanson Family) 1 pm Rosary.....C 1:30 pm Black Jack w/the Smiths...MGR 3 pm Cards.....M	30 9:30 am Kings in the Corner...MGR 10 am Momma Clowns.....NZN 10:30 am J's Smokehouse.....TS 1 pm Pitch.....DR 2 pm FARKLE.....MGR 3 pm Spring Concentration...MGR 3 pm Fresh Popped Popcorn...NZN	Happy Arbor Day! 	LOCATIONS: A=Allegiance C=Chapel D=Dedication DR=Dining Room M=Motivation S=Service MGR=Main Game Room NZN=Neighborhood-to-Neighborhood TS=Town Square		Activities and out-ings in bold green print need to be coordinated with activity staff.

DATES TO REMEMBER

April 5th-6th- Whirlwind Tour

April 22nd-26th- Volunteer Appreciation Week

April 24th, 2024 – Vet's creative arts submissions due

April 30th- Volunteer Banquet (Theme is Casino Night)

June 20th-23rd- Department Convention at the Holiday Inn Kearney

August 3rd-5th – National President Lisa Williamson Visiting Nebraska, more details to come.

August 23rd-29th- National Convention in New Orleans

District 8 President

Lindsay Brown