



DANIEL SIMPSON

POST630

112N. MAIN ST. ELBURN IL 60119



“Adopt a Troop”

Post 630 has started an “Adopt a Troop” program. The American Legion will make the first contact with a local member of the military instead of the other way around. We want to offer them our support, encouragement, our comradeship as past military members and our appreciation and respect for the job they are doing.

Service members from the local Kaneland area will receive letters and care packages from the post members. The post hopes to expand the number of troops in the program. If you would like to be a part of the letter writing, emails or care packages let us know and we can send you a name from the list. If you know of a local serviceman or servicewoman send us their information and we can include them in the program.



WHATS NEW AT THE POST?

There is a saying, Out with the old, In with the new. This is most certainly true with the lighting in the lower level of the post. The building committee has voted to go ahead with a project to update the old fluorescent lighting to new LED style fixtures. The new 2x4 lay in fixtures are brighter, low profile {1/2"}, dimmable and use 2/3 less energy. The post expects to recoup approx. 40% of the material costs through a rebate program from Com-Ed. Installation will be done by members and is expected to start this fall. Along with the main meeting area in the lower level, new LED lights will go into the kitchen, restrooms, bar and common hallway behind the bar. Also scheduled is a facelift to the office upstairs. Update! Due to water leaking into the office, remodel projects are on hold till the leaking issue is resolved. We will keep you posted.

NEW MEMBERS

DANIEL SIMPSON POST 630
WELCOMES NEW MEMBERS:

RYAN EASTER (US ARMY 89-93)
Chris Mulvihill (US Navy 93-99)
Dan Kolzow (US Army 81-84)

Join or Renew Your Membership



Contact Us

630-365-6530

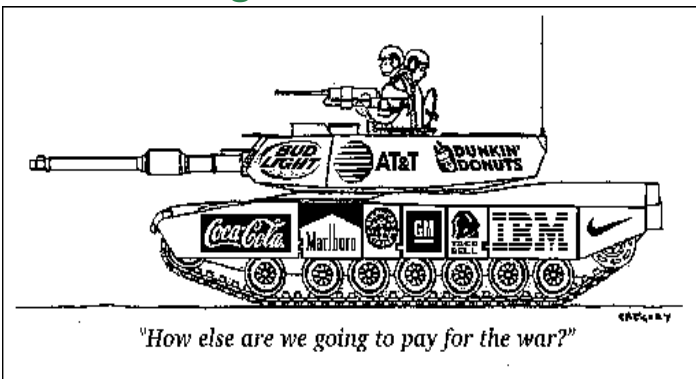
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POST OFFICERS

Commander:	John Nevenhoven
Vice Commander:	Mark Krebs
Jr. Vice Commander:	Dan Kolzow
Adjutant:	Norbert Lund
Chaplin:	Jim Elgars

Just For Laughs



IT'S NOT THE PRICE YOU PAY TO BELONG, BUT THE PRICE YOU PAID TO BE ELIGIBLE TO BELONG

HAVE YOU SENT IN YOUR RENEWAL?

Membership is the lifeblood of The American Legion. Without members, there would be no Legion programs. Without members, we would have no voice on Capitol Hill, no accomplishments in assistance and support to veterans, their families, the community, state and nation. Even if you can't attend your local meetings your membership can make a difference.



WE WANT TO HEAR FROM YOU

If you haven't been to a meeting in a while, why not? We miss you. Grab a buddy and come back. See old faces. Meet the new guys. See what's going on in your post!

Got ideas? We would love to hear them. Problems? We can fix them. Contact us!

Did you move away? Sitting in a sunny, warm place with a drink in your hand? Golfing every day? Forget what a snow shovel is? Send us a line or two and we can share it in our newsletter. Go ahead. Make us jealous!

We are working on new events and ideas all the time and need all the hands we can get. Your post is only as strong as your membership!

FROM THE "EDITORS" DESK

We hope you like this issue of the post newsletter. It is one of the many new things going on at your post. We hope to send this out quarterly with all the latest post information. Let us know what you think, what you want to see. Future issues may look a little different as we go through growing pains in putting this together, and finding what formats work best.

A YEAR IN REVIEW 2017

2017 started out as most years, routine being Standard Operating Procedure. Then opportunity started to knock and things happened.

- A much-needed cleanup of the parking lot done. Trash removed, weeds killed and pulled and dumpsters were relocated to the concrete platform to allow more room in the lot.
- A leak into the basement from the rear entrance seems to be stopped. A low spot in the parking lot next to the stairwell wall was identified as a possible culprit. After using a binder patch on cracks, filling the low spot with donated hot patch and extending a downspout it appears to have done the trick. Additional work on downspouts and asphalt sealing will be done in the spring.
- Front of building was power washed
- 2x4 fluorescent light fixtures in office, kitchen and lower level meeting hall were replaced with LED light panels. These light fixtures will operate on 1/3 the power, eliminated the need for 10 fewer fixtures overall, deliver a better consistent light and received a \$1300 rebate from com-ed.
- Office and Kitchen remodel projects approved for 2018. Materials will be donated.
- New Queen of Hearts raffle approved for 2018
- 8 new ceremonial rifles were received for replacement of old rifles
- "Adopt a Troop" program started, to support local area service members. Currently supports 6 troops with letters and care packages
- Post 630 rejoins with Elburn Chamber of Commerce. Holds open house during Elburn Christmas Stroll.
- Two new officers initiated.
- New LED Digital message board installed in front show window. Legion and community events highlighted.
- Work on planning and fundraising for new memorials by Tank park begins
- Legion petitions village to officially recognize park next to the village hall which is home to the M60 Tank memorial as "Veterans Memorial Park". Petition was approved and park was renamed.
- Two active duty servicemen stop in to the post to visit with members and thank them for their support in the "Adopt a Troop" program. A third, West Point cadet, held an informational event for interested Kaneland students wanting to attend West Point. Event was hosted by Post 630 members.

What's in store for 2018?

As always first and foremost will be to focus on membership and fundraising. Without either we can do nothing. Remodel projects await us, new events are being planned and relationships are being formed. For those of our members who are unable to attend or help on projects we hope to use the newsletter to keep you informed and attached to the post you help build.

QUEEN OF HEARTS RAFFLE

WILL YOU...



FIND HER?

A new progressive raffle presented by the American Legion,
with jackpots up to

\$450,000

Tickets on sale NOW! First Drawing January 11th 2018

Tickets sold at the American Legion Post 630, 112N. Main St., in Elburn:

	Tuesdays	Thursdays	Saturdays
Legion Office	11:30-1:30	11:30-1:30	11:30-1:30
Lower Level Bar (Cash Bar Open)	4:30-6:00	4:30-7:30	4:30-6:00

Tickets are only \$1 each

Queen of Hearts Subscription.

For those members that cannot come to the Legion Hall each week we are offering a subscription for multiple weeks. If a raffle ends with the Queen of Hearts being picked subscriptions will continue with the new "Queen of Hearts" Raffle.

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____

Subscription Rates:

1 Ticket per week X _____ Weeks = _____ Number of tickets wanted X \$1.00 = \$_____

2 Tickets per week X _____ Weeks = _____ Number of tickets wanted X \$1.00 = \$_____

5 Tickets per week X _____ Weeks = _____ Number of tickets wanted X \$1.00 = \$_____

____ Tickets per week X _____ Weeks = _____ Number or tickets wanted X \$1.00 = \$_____

A raffle representative will pick an envelope for you using a numbered set of bingo balls. You could win multiple times on a single subscription, as you would have a new ticket for each week's drawing.

ALL PRIZES WON WILL AUTOMATICALLY BE SENT BY CHECK.

All prizes are subject to state and federal tax regulations and are the responsibility of the winner.

Return this form with your check made payable to:

American Legion Post 630
"Queen of Hearts"
P.O. Box 774
Elburn IL 60119



American Legion Post 630 Annual Drawdown and Raffle Event

April 20th 2018 Doors Open @ 6pm

Must be 21 to attend

\$20 per ticket (includes free dinner) Limited to 425 tickets
Cash Bar, Meat Raffles and 50/50 raffles throughout the night
Special Cash Prize Drawing (must be Present to win)



Prizes:

(winners need not be present to win)



1st ticket drawn- \$100

Every 10th ticket drawn -\$20 (except 100th, 200th, 300th & 400th)

100th, 200th, 300th, & 400th- \$100



Last drawn \$2000 (winner must complete W9 and W2G)



Drawdown Raffle

For those members and guests that cannot come to the Legion Hall for the annual drawdown, we are offering an absentee raffle ticket form. Simply complete this form and send back with your check and you will be...

“IN IT TO WIN IT!”

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____

_____ Number of tickets wanted X \$20.00 = \$ _____

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Grand Prize winner must fill out a W9 and W2G

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