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#### FROM THE VICE COMMANDER:



Membership is the life line of the Legion. We have all heard it before. So much that it can become just some words that we hear around renewal time and then tune it out the rest of the year. Membership in the American Legion is what helped create the GI Bill, membership gives support and voice to those who lobby in Washington on behalf of veterans and service members for benefits such as pensions and the Veterans Health Administration. Membership in a local post helps mold the youth of today through programs like scouting, Boys & Girls State. It spreads patriotism through talks at schools, holding ceremonies remembering those who served and those that paid the ultimate price. Your membership sets an example for other veterans to follow. "Still Serving America"

is more than a motto. It's what we do. Nationally and locally.

In the last mailing a note was included about how I would like to visit all the members. It will take some time but I will do my best to get to everyone. The main purpose of my visit is to thank you for your continued membership and to let you know that even though you may not be as active as you were, for whatever reason, you are still part of the Legion family and are not forgotten. This also gives me personally a chance to meet the people that made this post what it is today. My visit will most likely be short so as not to inconvenience anyone. It may take only 5 or 10 minutes of your time. It may be at your home, the legion hall office or wherever our paths cross. I have already started my visits and some of what I hear is "I wish I was able to be more active so I can attend meetings and events but I just can't get around like I used to" No worries! I get it. But let me say this. Your ideas, comments, and support are just as valuable as if you were there in person. Send us a letter or an email. Pick up the phone and let us know what's on your mind. I look forward to meeting you all.

### **Just for Laughs**



The reason the Air Force, Army, Navy and Marines bicker amongst themselves is that they don't speak the same language.

For instance, Take the simple phrase "secure the building".

The Army will post guards around the place.

The Navy will turn out the lights and lock the doors.

The Marines will kill everybody inside and set up a headquarters.

The Air Force will take out a 5-year lease with an option to buy

The following is a submission by one of our members. It is only page two of a six-page article. If you believe this article may pertain to you follow up with your local VA Health Care provider. If you would like a copy of the full article e-mailed to you, contact the offices of Post 630. A copy of the article will be kept at the office for review by members.

# Health care for Veterans and family members

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The Camp Lejeune Act of 2012 provides health care and health care funding assistance to Veterans and family members who lived on Camp Lejeune, meet the time-on-station and service date requirements, and have one of the covered conditions.

#### Qualifying health conditions:

- Bladder cancer
- Breast cancer
- · Esophageal cancer
- Female infertility
- Hepatic steatosis
- Kidney cancer
- · Leukemia
- Lung cancer
- Miscarriage
- Multiple myeloma
- Myelodysplastic syndromes
- Neurobehavioral effects
- Non-Hodgkin's lymphoma
- Renal toxicity
- Scleroderma

Veterans eligible for health care under the *Camp Lejeune Act of 2012* may enroll in VA health care and receive medical services for any of the 15 covered health conditions, and eight disability conditions at no cost.

To enroll in VA health care, <u>apply</u> at <u>www.va.gov/health</u> <u>benefits/apply/</u> or call 1-877-222-8387 for help. Inform VA staff that you served on active duty at Camp Lejeune for at least 30 days during the covered time period.

# Family member health care reimbursement

Dependent family members of Veterans who also resided at Camp Lejeune during the qualifying period are eligible for reimbursement of out-of-pocket medical expenses related to any of the 15 covered health conditions. Reimbursement for medical claims can be paid for care up to two years prior to the date of application for benefits. VA can only pay for treatment costs that remain after payment from your other health plans.

Apply online for reimbursement at <u>www.clfamily</u> members.fsc.va.gov/ or call 1-866-372-1144 for help.

What type of evidence can I submit with my application?

- Documentation showing a legal dependent relationship to a Veteran who served at Camp Lejeune, such as a marriage license or birth certificate.
- Documentation showing you lived on the base for 30 days or more between August 1, 1953 and December 31, 1987, such as copies of orders. VA has the base housing records, but additional evidence is welcome.
- Documentation showing you paid health care expenses for a covered condition or an illness caused by the covered condition.

#### For information call

VA Health Care 1-877-222-8387

VA Benefits 1-800-827-1000

*CL Family Health Care* **1-866-372-1144** 

## **Post Officers**

Commander: Mark Krebs
Vice Commander: Dan Kolzow
Jr. Vice Commander: Chris Mulvihill

Adjutant: Norbert Lund

Sergeant at Arms: Lloyd Damask

Chaplin: Jim Elgar

Finance: Dennis Richmond

Judge Advocate/ Paul Gardner

Parliamentarian:

## "BBQ for the Troops"

On July 14<sup>th</sup> Post 630 joined with Bob Jass Chevrolet in Elburn to host "BBQ for the Troops". We are happy to report that it was a big success! Thanks to Bob Jass, Elburn Lions Club, Post 630 and all the people that came out to support us through their donations, we were able to raise \$2000.00 for the USO of Illinois! We are planning on holding this event again next year with even better results!

## Elburn Days 2018

Another Elburn Days is in the books and another fine job by the members of post 630. The post had a strong showing of members at the tent and were able sell tickets for the 50/50 raffle benefiting the new memorial project, sell \$300 of Queen of Hearts tickets and promote our next event, Feel da Burn .1k Beer Run!

# Coffee and Rolls Anyone?



Coffee and rolls on the first Saturday of the month <u>is being canceled</u>. Thank you to all of you that took advantage of this free opportunity to socialize with your fellow members.

## "Feel da Burn"

September 15<sup>th</sup>, we held our first annual "feEL da BURN" 0.1k beer run! A lap around the parking lot was the course with 4 beer tasting stations along the way. Live band, food and beer made for a great time! Thanks to the efforts of all those that volunteered we expect to raise over \$3200! We were also able to sell close to \$500 in Queen of Hearts tickets! Way to go team!



Contact Us 630-365-6530 Elburnpost630@gmail.com

## Dues are DUE!!

Don't forget your dues for 2019 are due now! You can help keep costs down by renewing early to avoid mailings or calls. Our guys need to be working on new memberships not renewals. Do your part! You can send your dues to the post or renew online.



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## HEY!! What's going on down there?

A lot! There has been a lot going on down at the post. Here is a run down!



Remodel Update: Improvements continue to be made through out the post. A new ceiling with LED lights has been installed in the kitchen. The kitchen has also undergone a scrubbing and some wall tiles have been repaired. New storage closets were built in the back hallway as well as a fresh coat of paint to the hallway and restrooms. Updating and repairs will be a constant source of things to do. Office demo will start by the end of September.



Queen of Hearts: Thank you to all our members and friends who come out to support the Queen of Hearts. Current jackpot is at \$4200. Only \$1 a ticket gets you a chance to find the Queen of Hearts. Join us every Thursday for fellowship and your chance to win. Contact the office for complete rules and subscription forms!

**Veterans Memorial Park Monuments:** John Reece continues to keep the memorial project rolling. To date the bricklayers have started to erect the first monument and will be moving onto the next monument in short time. Both plaques will be sent away to undergo a complete refinishing of the surface. The eternal flames are being repaired and rewired for new LED low voltage lights. We are still raising funds and on track for a rededication on Veterans Day.

## Congratulations are in Order!

- George Morris celebrated his 90th birthday on September 9th
- At the July, regular meeting Commander Krebs recognized Claude Henderson and George Morris for their years of exceptional service to legion.
- At the August, regular meeting Commander Krebs recognized Steve Lindquist for his years of exceptional service to the Legion.
- At the September, regular meeting Commander Krebs recognized Jerry Lonigro for his years of exceptional service to the Legion

## Post Everlasting;



- Elwood "Woody" Lange
- Bill Hewitt
- Robert Pinner



**November 10<sup>th</sup> Veterans Day Dinner** is fast approaching. Invites have been sent out and is included in this newsletter in case you misplaced it. Get your RSVP in early so we can adequately plan the event. \$10 per person accepted at the door.

**Try your Luck!** There was a slight delay in the process and we are now looking at a delivery date during late September or early October. We hope that with the increase of events and public exposure we can bring in a few more dollars to the post. This will be a one year trial basis. During that time, by state law, NO CARD PLAYING will be allowed anywhere in the building.



**Comedy Night:** Plans are being made to hold a comedy night sometime in January 2019. This event will be open to the public and will feature clean comics. Check the post facebook page (AmericanLegionPost630) for more details!

**Elburn Stroll** The post will again play host to local businesses during the Elburn Stroll. Come visit some local businesses and enjoy some Christmas cheer. Other tables will feature letters to the troops, ornament making for kids, hot chocolate and cookies will be available as well as the bar for adults.

As you can see we have lots of them a reality. However, an idea make it a reality! How can you are doing, come to the meeting



great ideas and are hard at work making is just an idea without the people to help? Spread the word about what we to get updates or give your input. Offer

to help during the event, attend the events being planned and bring a quest. Can you donate your time or maybe know someone that can donate a service or gift for raffles? Areas in need of help include; cleaning our new M1 ceremonial rifles, form am Honor Guard, help with newsletter, social planning, remodel projects. Volunteer at our events! There are lots of ways to help or get involved. It all starts with you! Contact your Sr. Vice Dan Kolzow (d.kolzow63@gmail.com) for more info.

## **OCTOBER**

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- 4<sup>th</sup>) Queen of Hearts Drawing, Building Comm. Meeting
- 6<sup>th</sup>) Rental
- 8<sup>th</sup>) Post Meeting / Columbus Day
- 11th) Queen of Hearts Drawing
- 13<sup>th</sup>) Navy Birthday
- 18th) Queen of Hearts Drawing
- 20<sup>th</sup>) Rental
- 25<sup>th</sup>) Queen of Hearts Drawing
- 26th) National Day of the Deployed

#### 1st) Queen of Hearts Drawing

- 4<sup>th</sup>) Daylight Savings Time Ends
- 8<sup>th</sup>) Queen of Hearts Drawing, Building Comm. Meeting
- 10th) Marine Corp Birthday
- 11th) Veterans Day
- 12<sup>th</sup>) Post Meeting
- 15<sup>th</sup>) Queen of Hearts Drawing
- 22<sup>th</sup>) NO Queen of Hearts Drawing / Thanksgiving Day
- 29th) Queen of Hearts Drawing

## NOVEMBER

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- 1<sup>st</sup>) Civil Air Patrol Birthday
- 6<sup>th</sup>) Queen of Hearts Drawing, Building Comm. Meeting
- 7<sup>th</sup>) Pearl Harbor Day
- 8<sup>th</sup>) Rental
- 10<sup>th</sup>) Post Meeting
- 13<sup>th</sup>) Queen of Hearts Drawing / National Guard Birthday
- 15<sup>th</sup>) National Wreaths Across America Day
- 20th) Queen of Hearts Drawing
- 24<sup>th</sup>) Christmas Eve
- 25<sup>th</sup>) Christmas Day
- 27<sup>th</sup>) Queen of Hearts Drawing
- 28<sup>th</sup>) Anniversary of the Army Chaplain Assistant
- 31st) New Year's Eve



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Dear American Legion Daniel Simpson Post 630 Members:

You and your spouse (or significant other) are invited to the Veteran's Day dinner to be held on Saturday, November 10, 2018. The evening will also include the Installation of Officers and a special guest speaker, Mike Curry, Illinois High School Football Coaches Hall of Fame, and longtime Social Studies teacher at Aurora Central Catholic High School.

Cocktails (Cash Bar) 5:00 pm Buffet Dinner (\$10) 6:00 pm Speaker and Installation to follow.

Please RSVP as soon as possible.

By phone to:

Mark Krebs – 630-945-6118 Dan Kolzow – 630-330-4880 Post 630 Phone – 630-365-6530

Or by email to:

Mark Krebs – <u>mckacchs@att.net</u> Dan Kolzow – <u>d.kolzow63@gmail.com</u>

We hope to see you there. It will be a great time for visiting.

For God and Country,

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