

# **DANIEL SIMPSON POST 630**

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## **July 2024 Newsletter**

## **POST OFFICERS**

Commander: Chris Mulvihill Sr. Vice Commander: Norm Welker Jr. Vice Commander: Joanne "Jo" Gabl Adjutant: John Waynick Sergeant at Arms: Lloyd Da Mask Judge Advocate/Parliamentarian: Paul Gardner Chaplain: Christina Murri Finance: Tom Kolzow Post Service Officer: Norm Welker Historian: Christina Murri



Helmsman with an attitude

# **POST MEETINGS**

The Post meets on the second Monday of each month. Doors open for comradery and dinner at 6:00 PM and the meeting starts at 7:00 PM. All members and prospective members are welcome to attend.



DISABLED PARKING IS IN THE REAR LOT; HOWEVER, CHAIRLIFTS ARE AT BOTH ENTRANCES. UPON ARRIVAL, CALL AHEAD SO SOMEONE IS PRESENT AND READY TO ASSIST.

#### **New Post Officers**

Traditionally, after the Department Convention concludes, newly elected Post officers begin their term in office. Our 2024 officers have been elected and are **Commander:** Norm Welker, **Senior Vice Commander:** John Nevenhoven, **Junior Vice Commander:** Joanne "Jo" Gabl, **Adjutant:** John Waynick, **Chaplain:** Tim Kolzow, **Sargeant at Arms:** Lloyd Da Mask and **Finance Officer**: Dave Dickinson. Due to vacations and illnesses, these officers will assume their duties and be sworn in at the August 2024 meeting.

#### Quartermaster

The Post Quartermaster is available for members wishing to purchase uniform hats and shirts. The program will reimburse members 50% off the cost of a Legion garrison cap (702.123) and white dress shirt [either short (720.123) or long sleeve (720.123)].

This is a one-time reimbursement. Call the office with your shirt and or hat size and phone number to place your order. You will be contacted if there are any questions and when your order arrives.

#### **Our Chaplain is moving on...**

Just prior to the nomination of officers, Chaplain and Historian Christina Murri announced she is leaving her position and moving to Indiana because her husband accepted a job assignment. Christina has served as Chaplain and Historian for the last year. We all wish Christina well and hope that she finds another Post to serve. Good luck!

Tim Kolzow, our previous Chaplain, has volunteered to be Post Chaplain.

### From Christina Murri, Post Chaplain

I will greatly miss my association with the members of Post 630! It was an honor to serve as the historian for the past 4 years and as the chaplain this past year.

I would love to still put together the slide show for the Veterans Day dinner in November, so please send pictures!! The slide show covers everything from last year's dinner through the end of October of this year, so please feel free to email me a copy of any photos (actual size) that you have (or will take) <u>Christina.murri@gmail.com</u>

Thank you! Christina



### VOLUNITEERS WANTED

The <u>BBQ For the Troops</u> on Sat. July 13 at Bob Jass Chevy from 10-3PM. This is a fundraiser for the USO to support their mission with our troops. We will need people at the Post at 8:30 to load-up and set-up chairs, tents and grills. After 3PM we need people for take down, load up, and return equipment to the Post. Call the office and leave a message you will help out or reply to this email.

### **BBQ For the Troops**

Tim reminded me this event is coming up so fast and is a great way to meet and greet the community. Please see the details below; the more hands for set-up, serving, and clean-up is greatly appreciated. The event does support the USO. As a Navy Veteran, I have personally benefited from the USO. I was stranded for six hours in Norfolk, Virginia during hurricane weather and was kept within the USO. I had a restroom, comfy chairs, food and water. My phone stayed charged so I could communicate with my family. The staff consisted of volunteers who were warm and inviting which made my stay more assuring. Please come and support the USO.

Thank you, Jo Jr, Vice Commander



### 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Toys for Tots Motorcycle Run

Elburn's resident Santa Claus, John Reese is reminding us of this upcoming ALR Event to include a ride, raffle, food and beverage, and live music. This event was great last year. Again, let's rally to support with this fantastic serving opportunity. Another great way to truly know our community and to serve those with needs. Toys are needed! Kids develop imagination, dexterity, motor skills, learn to care for something other than themselves, along with an ability to share what they cherish. Let's get some beloved toys and games in their little hands!

#### **Monthly Post Meeting**

The monthly meeting of Elburn Post 630 will be held on July 8th, 2024 at 112 N. Main St., Elburn. Dinner begins at 6PM with the meeting starts at 7PM. Thanks to Jim Elgar, the menu is as follows: Jim's famous fried chicken, coleslaw, potato salad. Additional contributions of side dishes or desserts are always appreciated.

#### **Post Calendar**

### July 2024

## (Holiday/Notable/Post Event)

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	<u>13</u>
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	<u>29</u>	30	31			

#### 4<sup>th</sup> Independence Day – NO QUEEN OF HEARTS!

11<sup>th</sup> Queen of Hearts

13<sup>th</sup> BBQ for The Troops at Bob Jass Chevrolet Elburn

18<sup>th</sup> Queen of Hearts

25<sup>th</sup> Queen of Hearts

27<sup>th</sup> Korean War Veterans Armistice Day

28<sup>th</sup> 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Toys for Tots Motorcycle Run with ALR

Anniversary of the Army Chaplain Corps



**BE SAFE THIS HOLIDAY!** 

#### **Post Website Under Construction**

As with the coming of Spring, so comes Road Construction season. The same is true with the Post website. Tim Kolzow has taken on the task of working to update our current website and has been working with Connie Wuerfl, fiancé of John Reece discussing updates and improvements. Connie has been given her creative liberty, implementing several ideas to make the website user-friendly. Please present any ideas for content and sent it to <u>elburnpost630@gmail.com</u> and put "Tim" in the subject line.

### DID YOU KNOW.....

Each year on D-Day at the American cemetery in Normandy, having collected sand from Omaha Beach, French caretakers rub it into the gravestones to highlight the names of the departed. They do this for all 9,388 soldiers who lay there.



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MARYLAND	NEW HAMPSHIRE PENNSYLVANIA WASHINGTON
MASSACHUSETTS	NEW JERSEY RHODE ISLAND WEST VIRGINIA
MICHIGAN	NEW MEXICO SOUTH CAROLINA WISCONSIN
MINNESOTA	NEW YORK SOUTH DAKOTA WYOMING

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BETHEONE

IN YOUR LIFE HOW THEY ARE DOING

> TO LISTEN WHEN A VETERAN NEEDS TO TALK

TO REACH OUT WHEN A VETERAN IS STRUGGLING

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The program will destigmatize asking for mental health support, provide peer-to-peer support and resources, and educate everyone on how they can Be the One.

I'm a veteran. What can I do to support this initiative?

While this program is designed to help all veterans, we know that everyone responds differently to stresses, have different life experiences and have varying results in types of treatment. However, the following are guidelines intended to provide help before a crisis situation develops. The American Legion encourages you to Be the One to:

- Talk with others about how you are feeling.
- Ask for help when you know you need it.
- Know there are millions of people ready to help you.
  - Remember your family and friend's care.

I'm a spouse, partner, family member, caregiver, friend of a veteran, or interested civilian. What can I do to support this initiative?

The stigma associated with mental health issues is a barrier to veterans seeking assistance. They fear loss of their job, think they can handle their situation themselves, or don't believe others can understand their situation. Family members may be the first to recognize the signs that their loved one needs help, but they may lack the knowledge of how to approach the situation. If you have a family member, friend, business associate or have another connection with someone who is a veteran, The American Legion encourages you to Be the One to:

• Ask veterans in your life how they are doing.

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- Listen when a veteran needs to talk.
- Reach out when a veteran is struggling

If you are a veteran in crisis, resources are available 24 hours a day, seven days a week: Call 988 and press 1, or Text "Help to 838255, or visit the VA Crisis Line website\_



SONS OF THE AMERICAN LEGION SQUARON 630 THEATER TICKET RAFFLE



#### 2 TICKETS TO "MILLION DOLLAR QUARTET" AT THE NEW STOLP ISLAND THEATRE 5 DOWNER ST, AURORA IL ON <u>AUGUST 4, 2024</u> AT 5:30PM TICKETS ARE \$10 EACH – ONLY 50 TICKETS TO BE SOLD DRAWING TO BE HELD ON JULY 26<sup>TH,</sup> 2024 DURING QUEEN OF HEARTS NIGHT



#### Four Legends. One Night. Music History Made.

On December 4, 1956, Elvis Presley, Johnny Cash, Jerry Lee Lewis and Carl Perkins had a chance encounter at Sun Studio in Memphis. What transpired was one of the greatest impromptu jam sessions in music history. The music that filled the studio that fateful night delves into the foundation of Blues, Country, Rock and Rockabilly, including "Blue Suede Shoes," "Walk with Line," "Great Balls of Fire," and more.

You'll experience the highs and lows of these four legends as they navigate the intricacies of fame, and the personal price you pay to live the dream.

You may have loved Million Dollar Quartet in 2017 at Paramount Theatre – now imagine it set in Sun Studio itself. The new Stolp Island Theatre will be designed to immerse you in the experience so you can say "I was there!". This is a 100 seat theater.

STOP BY YHE OFFICE OR CALL 630-365-6530 TO GET YOUR TICKETS OR

SEE NORM OR TIM ON THURSDAY NIGHT AT THE QUEEN OF HEARTS NIGHT.