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TO THE MEMORY OF THE GALLANT MEN  
HERE ENTOMBED AND THEIR SHIPMATES  
WHO GAVE THEIR LIVES IN ACTION  
ON DECEMBER 7, 1941 ON THE U.S. ARIZONA

## DECEMBER 2023



REMEMBER





## Post 639 Commander



Hope everyone is ready for Christmas. Let us not forget our men and women defending our freedoms around the world, and of course the true meaning of the season.

December will be another hectic but fulfilling month for Post 639. Check the calendar and don't miss anything. Our employees, groups and volunteers are putting together a great month of events. Christmas parties, Toys for Tots Pre-ride & After-ride party (Post 639 is the original After Party) (See Flyers, page 21) and of course our annual Christmas Day feed for the troops, which will be in conjunction with the KC Chiefs game from noon to 3, so wear your RED, plan on helping where you can - bring some side dishes, and donate some turkeys (10) and hams (5) to help us feed our family and friends. **We will be closing at 5pm on the 25th.** And we are now having a New Years Eve Bash with live music, steak dinner and a champagne toast at midnight. \$25 for members and \$30 for non-members you are not going to want to miss it.

I wanted to let you all know about the many praises we received for our Thanksgiving dinner we supplied to our community. (Pictures, page 9) I was humbled with all the thank-you's I personally received. My team knocked it out of the park. So many people have no place to go and we were able to welcome them to our newly remodeled Post and fill their bellies with food donated and cooked with love. Be proud my friends.

**Mike Goforth**  
Commander, Legion Post 639



## 639 Chaplain



**For your reflection and inspiration, I submit .....**

### **“The American Way”**

I believe in the American way,  
To pray our prayers our own way,  
Where we can watch Old Glory wave  
From the home of the free and the brave.

Makes no difference, color or creed,  
We can choose the life we lead.  
We'll stand up for human rights,  
And we'll fight for the “Bill of Rights”.

So stand up for the American Way,  
Stand up when Old Glory waves.  
Be proud of the Red, White and Blue,  
For it stands for freedom and the truth.

We don't want our soldiers to die in vain.  
We'll let Ol' Liberty ring.  
We won't bow to the threat of terror.  
Ah, blessed be this land - America !!!

Oh, I'm proud of the veterans of our wars,  
For without them we'd be no more.  
We should praise them everyday,  
For the freedom they fought so freedom could stay.

We think we are right, sometimes we are wrong.  
But we are not afraid to stand alone.  
For Old Glory's standing the test of time,  
And hopes for peace for all mankind.

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**Merry Christmas and Blessed Happy New Year !!!!!**

**Yours in grace, and in the Love of Patriotic Service,**  
**Frank Grantham, Post 639 Chaplain**



## Post 639 Service Officer



From the desk of the Service Officer:

HO HO HO Merry Christmas!! Man, where has this year gone?? I wish everyone “Happy Holidays” with friends and loved ones. If you can, be generous with your time and/or money to help those less fortunate! Leave a bigger tip, put more cans in a food drive container. Or maybe donate thru City Utilities to help someone with their utility bill. They partner with OCAC.

This is also a time when the loss of a loved one can be hard. Please don't be alone. Call me, Call 988, then 1 for veteran help. If you need an intervention for a loved one in crisis, the Burrell office here in town offers a mental response team if you are in Greene, Polk, Dallas, Christian, Stone or Webster counties. Please call 800-494-7355 24/7.

Reminder, open enrollment to change your Medicare plan ends on Dec 7th. There are plans that reimburse your monthly Medicare premiums even IF you have TriCareForLife. Call Adam Kyle at 417-988-4712 or Amy Kern at 417-882-2777 or email David Horsey at david@horseyinsurance.com.

**Belinda Brown, USN (RET)**  
Service Officer  
417-306-2504



## 639 Auxiliary President



November was a very busy month at Post 639 and for our Unit. We celebrated the grand re-opening from the Post renova-

tion project, participated in celebrating the Marines Birthday and honored our veterans for Veterans Day, food service for Queen of Hearts, as well as our November 50/50 month and had our Paddle Party event.

Bob Kalwat performed a beautiful celebration ceremony for the Marines Birthday and we were honored with the presence for Ed Fox and JB Brock at the ceremony. ALR and ALA rounded the evening off with a special dinner to pay tribute to our veterans for Veterans Day. Special recognition to our volunteers who prepared and served the meal: Marsha Crom, Terra Cooperider, Joyce Sanders, Barbara Gonynor, Reggie Hutson, Terri Chandler, Libby Gonynor, Kim Goforth, Edie Reiman, Tammi Grantham and Jessie Grantham. (See pictures, Pages 7-8)

Wednesday, November 15th, Terra Cooperider manned the 50/50 table and we served pulled pork sandwiches, potato salad and baked beans. Thank you to all that played the 50/50 game as the proceeds go into our Poppy Fund, which is donated to help with veterans needs. Thank you, Adam Jamieson, winner of the game, for donating the winnings back to ALA.

Saturday, November 18th was the ALA and SAL Paddle Party & Meat Raffle event. WOW! What an event! When an event is this fun it's worth all the hard work preparing for it. But it couldn't have been accomplished without the volunteerism of Susan Hepard, Gail Willey, Terra Cooperider, Barbara Gonynor, Libby Gonynor, Missy Duff, Marsha Crom, Mary Gerstl, Sherry Jacobson, Charlotte Kelly, Kim Goforth, Commander Mike Goforth, Scott Kelley, Jeff Gonynor and our SAL brothers. Thank you all for your help and food donations. HUGH shout out to Kim Goforth who, once again, made this event a success for us. Thank you, Kim, it would never happen without you! (Pictures, Page 8).

Please remember the ALR coat, hat, scarf and glove drive in December and bring your donations in to the Post. The donation boxes are set up and ready for your contributions. ALR is needing items for men, women and children and your donation will help keep someone warm this winter. (See Flyer on Page 20).

ALA has adopted a community family for Christmas this year. We are taking monetary donations to buy presents and a Christmas dinner for a family of 7. We are playing Santa Claus to 5 boys ranging from the ages of 1 to 12. We have received their Santa wish lists and we are needing your help to make this a very Merry Christmas for them. Your donations can be made at the bar in the marked "ALA Christmas Dreams Come True" container. We are taking donations from November 20th to December 16th. (See Flyer, Page 5)

Saturday, December 16th ALA is hosting the Post 639 Christmas event for Post members, VSO members, employees and guests. The event starts at 5:30 with cocktails and dinner at 6:30. We have a delicious meal planned and catered in by Melissa & Jess Ultimate Food. Two meat choices, potato, vegetable, roll and dessert. We will also be having a Christmas present exchange. If you would like to participate, bring a gift valued at \$20.00 maximum for the exchange. Tickets go on sale from December 1st to December 10th for \$15.00 per person and can be

purchased at the bar. Come for a night of cheer, gift giving and interactive games as we celebrate the blessing of having each other and Post 639. (See Flyer, Page 21)

May this Christmas season find you healthy and happy. May you remember to be thankful for your blessings and those you surround yourself with. Please pray for our troops who will not be home with their family and friends and always, always show your gratitude for those who have served this country and have allowed us to be a free nation.

### **In Spirit of Service, not Self**

**Diana Cooperider**  
**President**  
**Post 639 Auxiliary**



## **Post 639 SAL Commander**



The Sons of the American Legion are always looking for New and Past Members!

The Sons are made up of male descendants of Veterans who served in the US Armed Forces. Show your appreciation for your family members Service, and keep the memory of those brave Service members alive.

Our motto is "Serving Those Who Served" this great country. We do this through our events and volunteering at the LZ 639.

Annual dues are only \$25... and you get soooo much more out of your service to these brave vets, who fought to provide the freedoms each of us enjoy every day. Service with fun /fellowship - that's what you get !!

We are always interested in talking with individuals who want to help our beloved LZ 639. We meet at 7PM on the last Tuesday of each month.

Come out and sit in on a meeting or talk with a few of our members. Jump in and find your spot in SAL. Service and fellowship memories that will last you a lifetime ...

**Erik Duff, Commander,**  
**Sons of the American Legion**



## **Post 639 ALR Director**



Wishing everyone Happy Holidays!! Everyone has worked hard this year. My wish for the New Year is ....Happiness, Good Health, and let's continue to support each other. Your ALR continues to volunteer at Post 639, and other VSO's during our non-riding season. Please support our Coat Drive this season, and Let's ride for the "Toys for TOTS" to finish our year. God Bless you!

**Marsha Crom, Director, ALR Chapter 639**





# Post 639 Historian



**Pearl Harbor, December 7, 1941 - The Holocaust 1933-1945 - September 11, 2001.** How quickly our memories fade. My Post 639/ALR friend Mike Walters reminded us that it's been less than 100 years since the Holocaust period - a time of history after which the world swore - **NEVER AGAIN**. Yet, here we are, where a large % of the world is engaging in anti-Semitism. A large % of young people who exit our educational system are unfamiliar with not only the Holocaust, but Pearl Harbor and its significance, not to mention September 11th - **MUCH** more recent history.

It is critical, at this juncture in our Nation's history, to keep these events front and center in our young people's consciousness. The mission is ours to do this. We must be strong advocates for them. We cannot allow those to succeed who would rewrite our Nation's history to suit their own purposes. The American Legion's pillars support this 100%, and I see it constantly in our many activities that support our veterans and our surrounding community.

It's easy to become discouraged by events surrounding us at every angle. Hopelessness and despair can be overwhelming at times. But the resounding message of the Christmas Season is that God's love conquers ALL evil, through the birth of His Son, Jesus Christ. God tells us that His ways are not our ways, and His timing is not our timing, but He reigns nevertheless. Let's have faith in that. HE is in control. **Take comfort !!**

All of that said, **please** spend precious time with your families this Christmas. At the end of the day, that's what matters.

Merry Christmas and let's have a **VERY** productive coming year in support of our Veterans/Community.

**Bob Kalwat**  
Post 639 Historian/Newsletter Editor

## Give Vets Hope

Last month I mentioned some of the physiological changes that may occur from PTSD, anxiety, anger, frustration, etc. After I was in the service then transitioning to civilian life there was a world of adjustment to make. Not everyone had a neat haircut, dresses in (the same clothes) uniform, or drives a Humvee/jeep anymore!

I feel like I need to stop just a little to mention that in my career as an educator, I was also a school counselor/teacher for 38 years. My graduate degree is in Guidance and Counseling. I was awarded a license to practice by the state of Missouri and was qualified to be a Nationally Board-Certified Counselor.

I mention this to give some context for what is coming next.

Having significant emotional/psychological problems may be difficult to deal with or survive. They can make living, sleeping, eating, driving, intrapersonal and interpersonal interactions difficult. These difficulties are what make so many veterans desperate enough to commit suicide. I have personally known 2 veterans

that decided to end their lives this way.

I spoke for just a few minutes at the NAMI (National Alliance for Mental Illness) about a month ago at their nighttime run/walk event. I let those gathered know that veterans may go into the service of their country with emotional difficulties, or they may acquire them and then be exasperated by a rough transition to civilian life.

Veterans experience the same spectrum of emotions that anyone else has, however, their circumstances, while in the service, may have been very different. It is at this point that we realize abnormal coping mechanisms may come about from abnormal circumstances or situations. So how do we bridge that gap of service to country to service to self? More next month.

**David Suits, Founder**

## VFW 3404 Veteran's Stand Down

Stand Downs are typically one- to three-day events during which VA staff and volunteers provide food, clothing and health screenings to homeless and at-risk Veterans. In addition, Veterans also receive referrals for health care, housing solutions, employment, substance use treatment, mental health counseling and other essential services. VFW 3404's Stand Down was held November 15th.



## Serenity Honors / Elks Lodge #2777

### Thanksgiving Dinner

Thanksgiving Dinner with a room FULL of Veterans at Christian County Elks Lodge #2777 .....



# NAVY vs ARMY



Army/Navy Football Game - December 9th  
Post 639 Watch Party - Noon Kickoff



Happy 2nd Birthday US Space Force !! Wednesday,  
December 20, 2023 (Queen of Hearts night) .....

Please come out and honor the Space Force on their  
Second Anniversary. Enjoy some cake, AND Guardians  
eat FREE at Queen of Hearts !! Special Happy Hour  
pricing from 5-8PM.

“Semper Supra” (Always Above)



ALA FAMILY CHRISTMAS ADOPTION  
NOVEMBER 20TH - DECEMBER 16TH

**“CHRISTMAS  
DREAMS COME  
TRUE”**

**WE NEED YOU!**

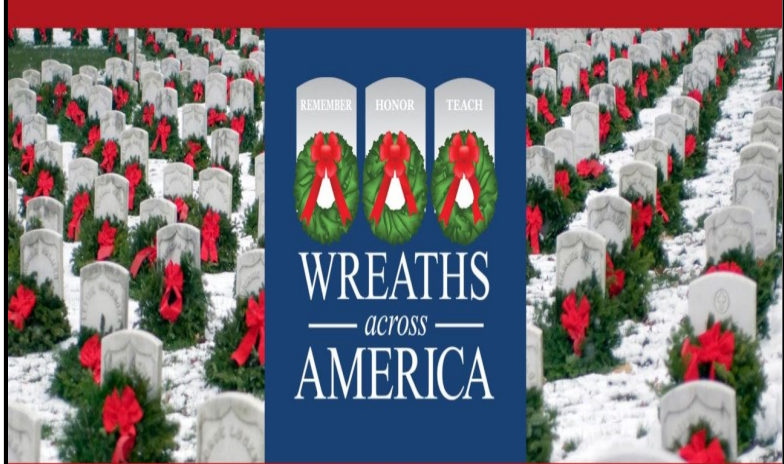
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COMMUNITY FAMILY OF 7 FOR  
CHRISTMAS. A FAMILY OF 5  
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12 AND WE WANT TO FULFILL  
THEIR “SANTA” WISH LISTS AND  
PROVIDE THE FAMILY WITH A  
CHRISTMAS DINNER  
YOUR DONATIONS ARE  
APPRECIATED!



Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day - December 7th



National Guard Birthday - December 13th



National Wreaths Across America Day - December 16th



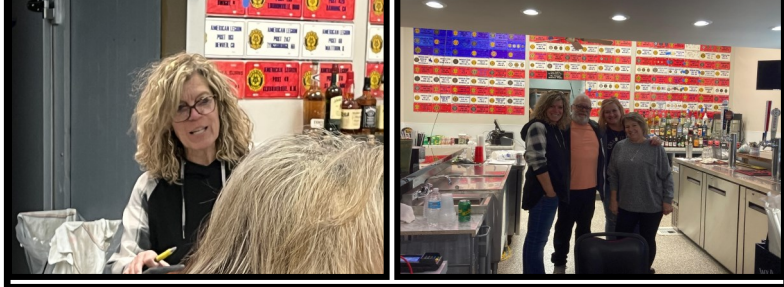
Space Force Birthday - December 20th

# Post 639 Remodeling (Part Two)

October 13-29, 2023



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# Chiefs Germany Watch Party

November 05, 2023



# Marine Corps Birthday/Veterans Day Dinner

November 10, 2023

**HAPPY 248TH BIRTHDAY  
U.S. MARINE CORPS  
FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 10TH**

**"SEMPER FIDELIS"**

Your invitation to Post 639 as we celebrate  
Veterans Day AND  
The US Marine Corps' 248th birthday.

Guest of Honor - Post 639 Member  
Sgt. Ed Fox USMC  
(Veteran - Battle of Midway / Iwo Jima / Korea)

Happy Hour pricing from 5PM - 8PM  
- Cake-cutting ceremony - 5:30PM  
- Veterans Day Dinner - 5:30PM - 7:30PM  
(Free for Veterans, \$10 for non-Veterans)



**Guest of Honor/  
Oldest Marine**

Sgt. Ed Fox  
Jan 7, 1923

**Youngest Marine**

Cpl. Joshua Brack  
Dec 11, 1981



# Marine Corps Birthday/Veterans Day Dinner

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# Post 639 Paddle Party/Meat Raffle

November 18, 2023





# Thanksgiving Day Meal

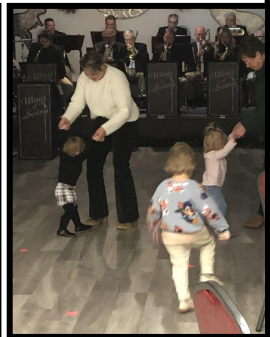
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# Toys for Tots Kickoff - Elks Club

November 26, 2023

Elks Lodge #409  
**Toys for Tots Benefit**  
Featuring  
The U.S. Marine Corps  
and the  
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children for Christmas gifts  
Sunday, Nov. 26, 2023  
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# DECEMBER 2023



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					<b>1 LUNCH 11-2</b>  <b>STEAK NIGHT @ POST 639 6PM</b>	<b>2</b>  <b>1ST SATURDAY BREAKFAST 8-10AM</b>
<b>3</b>  <b>TOYS FOR TOTS RUN 2PM</b> <b>PRE-RIDE, 10AM</b> <b>POST-RIDE, 2:45PM</b> <b>BOTH @ POST 639</b>		<b>5 LUNCH 11-2</b>  <b>LEGION/ALA GENERAL MTG 7PM</b>	<b>6 LUNCH 11-2</b>  <b>QUEEN OF HEARTS 6 - 8 PM</b>	<b>7 LUNCH 11-2</b>  <b>PEARL HARBOR DAY</b>	<b>8 LUNCH 11-2</b>	<b>9</b>  <b>SUB VETS MTG 11AM</b>  <b>ARMY/NAVY GAME NOON KICKOFF</b>
	<b>11 LUNCH 11-2</b>	<b>12 LUNCH 11-2</b>  <b>KOREAN WAR VETS 1PM</b>  <b>GIVE VETS HOPE VFW 3404 5:30PM</b>	<b>13 LUNCH 11-2</b>  <b>QUEEN OF HEARTS 6 - 8 PM</b> 	<b>14 LUNCH 11-2</b>  <b>FINANCE COMMITTEE 6:30PM</b>  <b>MCL 993 VFW 3404 6-8PM</b>	<b>15 LUNCH 11-2</b>  <b>VFW 3404 FISH FRY 5:30 - 7 PM</b>	<b>16</b>  <b>WREATHS ACROSS AMERICA</b>  <b>POST 639 CHRISTMAS PARTY 5:30PM DRINKS 6:30PM DINNER</b>
<b>17</b>  <b>ALR MEETING/ CHRISTMAS PARTY 5PM</b>	<b>18 LUNCH 11-2</b>  <b>E-BOARD MTG 6:30PM</b>	<b>19 LUNCH 11-2</b>  <b>AUX E-BOARD MTG 7PM</b>	<b>20 LUNCH 11-2</b>  <b>QUEEN OF HEARTS 8-8PM</b>  <b>US SPACE FORCE BIRTHDAY 5-8PM</b>	<b>21 LUNCH 11-2</b> <b>NEWSLETTER CONTENT DUE</b>	<b>22 LUNCH 11-2</b>	<b>23</b>
<b>24</b>  <b>CHRISTMAS EVE</b>	<b>25 LUNCH 11-2</b>  <b>CHRISTMAS DAY</b>	<b>26 LUNCH 11-2</b>  <b>SAL MTG 7PM</b>  <b>GIVE VETS HOPE VFW 3404 5:30PM</b>	<b>27 LUNCH 11-2</b>  <b>QUEEN OF HEARTS 6 - 8 PM</b>	<b>28 LUNCH 11-2</b>	<b>29 LUNCH 11-2</b>	<b>30</b>
<b>31</b>  <b>NEW YEARS EVE @ POST 639</b>						



# A Visual Journey Through American History - Christmas on the Front Lines for the Deployed Troops



## The Revolutionary War

## The Civil War



## World War I

## World War II



## The Korean War

## The Vietnam War



## Desert Shield/Desert Storm

## Iraq / Afghanistan



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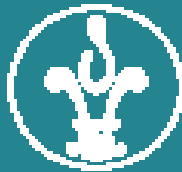
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# Party Time!

Jim Cooper  
6PM Friday Central Time USA



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## OZARKS TECHNICAL COMMUNITY COLLEGE

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## Volunteer Opportunities at the Legion

As always, we have several volunteer opportunities for members and non-members. Currently -

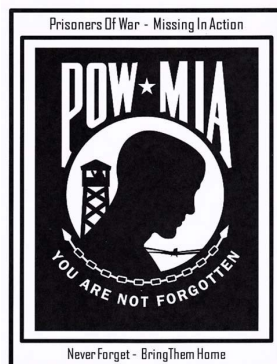
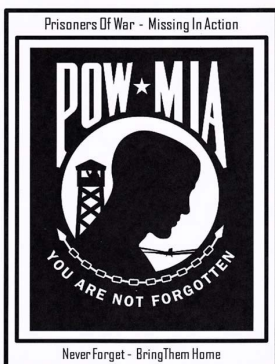
- The Post Historian is looking for someone with advanced computer skills to assist in the production of the Post 639 Newsletter.

- We get requests for Post 639 members to present awards to schools (JROTC), Senior Citizens, Community Organizations, etc. If you would like to assist with this, let us know.

- As our buildings age, maintenance has become a growing concern. If you have any skills in any of the trades, or if you are a "Jack of ALL Trades", we could use your help. There are several projects pending.

- We're always looking for those with cooking skills. Special events, cooking lunch on those days when we need a sub to fill in, etc. If you want to show off your culinary skills to the membership, please contact the Post and we'll get you set up.

Volunteers are what allow Post 639 to function. **YOU ARE NEEDED.** Call the Post at 882- 8639 and we'll get back to you.



## From the Bar/Galley ...

### Happy Hour at LZ639 :

12PM-2PM 7 Days a Week (.50 off)

6PM-8PM, Monday thru Saturday (.50 off)

### Saturday Breakfast - Morning Chow @ LZ639

1st Saturday of the Month 8AM - 10AM

The 6am Breakfast crew with this short message for you -

**Post remodeling completed.** Weather is prohibiting camping out and other swimming activities. So put your water skis away and join us the first **Saturday of each month, 8-10am** for the best breakfast for your money, or somebody else's.



Your Saturday breakfast is made possible by the following 6AM crew - **Bob Dale, Dylan Dale, Mike Chandler with support and assistance of Scotty and Jeff.** Breakfast served 8AM-10AM. Drinks separate charge. Tell your friends as it's only \$8 all you can eat. Please thank the people who give up their time to support this Post 639 benefit.

I would like to extend the Saturday breakfasts from **ONE** to **TWO** per month, but I would have to have a more consistent attendance from members. You don't even have to bring your own eating utensils. They're included at no extra cost, like the salt & pepper.

**Jim "Skippy" Cooper (got peanut butter)**

**Your 6AM Support Team**

## Average Weather in December for Springfield .....

Daily high temperatures *decrease* by 7°F, from 51°F to 43°F, rarely falling below 28°F or exceeding 65°F.

Daily low temperatures *decrease* by 7°F, from 33°F to 26°F, rarely falling below 10°F or exceeding 47°F.

Over the course of December in Springfield, the length of the day is *essentially constant*. The shortest day of the month is *December 22*, with 9 hours, 36 minutes of daylight and the longest day is *December 1*, with 9 hours, 48 minutes of daylight.

The earliest sunrise of the month in Springfield is 7:08 AM on *December 1* and the latest sunrise is 19 minutes later at 7:26 AM on *December 31*.

The earliest sunset is 4:55 PM on *December 5* and the latest sunset is 10 minutes later at 5:05 PM on *December 31*.

The average sliding 31-day snowfall during December in Springfield is *gradually increasing*, starting the month at 2.4 inches, when it rarely exceeds 8.4 inches or falls below -0.0 inches, and ending the month at 3.3 inches, when it rarely exceeds 10.4 inches.

# Ongoing Suicide Prevention

EVERY month is Suicide Prevention month. Always be vigilant for your brothers/sisters that might need help.

Some signs of concerning behavior include:

- Hopelessness, feeling like there is no way out
- Anxiety, agitation, sleeplessness, or mood swings
- Feeling like there is no reason to live
- Rage or anger
- Engaging in risky activities without thinking
- Increasing alcohol or drug use
- Withdrawing from family and friends

If you notice any signs of concerning behavior here are some things you can do:

- **Start a conversation:** Mention the signs that prompted you to talk to them. Stay calm and let the person know you want to help them. Don't leave the person alone.
- **Listen, express concern and reassure the individual:** Let the person know you care and that you take the situation seriously. Letting the person know you care will go a long way in establishing a support system.
- **Create a safety plan:** Ask the person if they have access to anything that could harm them and call for help if you feel the situation is dangerous.
- **Get the individual help:** Provide resources for the individual. **Call the Veteran's crisis line at 1(800)-273-8255.** Or if you feel the situation is severe, take the individual to the closest emergency room or call for help.



## Post 639 Schedule of Events

### December 2023

- Dec 01 Fri - Steak Night @ Post 639, 6PM
- Dec 02 Sat - 1st Saturday Breakfast @ Post 639, 8-10AM
- Dec 03 Sun - Toys for Tots Run, 2PM Corwin Ford
  - Pre-Ride @ 639, 10AM,
  - Post-Ride @ 639 2:45PM
- Dec 05 Tue - General/Auxiliary General Meeting
- Dec 06 Wed - Queen of Hearts/50-50, 6-8PM
- Dec 07 Thu - Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day
- Dec 09 Sat - Sub Vets Meeting, 11AM
  - Army/Navy Game, 12PM
- Dec 12 Tue - Korean War Vets Meeting
  - Give Vets Hope, 5:30PM VFW 3404
- Dec 13 Wed - Queen of Hearts/50-50, 6-8PM
  - National Guard Birthday
- Dec 14 Thu - Finance Committee Meeting, 6:30PM
  - Marine Corps League Mtg, VFW 3404
  - 6PM Food/Fellowship, 7PM Mtg
- Dec 15 Fri - VFW 3404 Fish Fry 5:30-7PM
- Dec 16 Sat - Post 639 Christmas Party
  - Wreaths Across America
- Dec 17 Sun - ALR Meeting/Christmas Party
- Dec 18 Mon - 639 E-Board Meeting, 6:30PM
- Dec 19 Tue - Auxiliary E-Board Meeting, 7PM
- Dec 20 Wed - Queen of Hearts/50-50, 6-8PM
  - US Space Force Birthday
- Dec 21 Thu - Newsletter Content Due
- Dec 24 Sun - Christmas Eve
- Dec 25 Mon - Christmas Day
- Dec 26 Tue - SAL Meeting, 7PM
  - Give Vets Hope, 5:30PM VFW 3404
- Dec 27 Wed - Queen of Hearts/50-50, 6-8PM
- Dec 28 Thu - **NO FLEET RESERVE MTG IN DECEMBER**
- Dec 31 Sun - New Years Eve @ Post 639, 8PM - Midnight



# LZ639 LUNCH MENU

AVAILABLE MON-FRI

11AM-2PM

**(ALL BURGERS AND SANDWICHES SERVED  
WITH ONE REGULAR SIDE)**

SOFT DRINKS...\$2

- COKE
- DIET COKE
- DR. PEPPER
- DIET DR. PEPPER
- SPRITE
- DIET SPRITE
- TEA

## REGULAR SIDES

- THICK CUT FRIES
- TATER-TOTS

## PREMIUME SIDES

(UPGRADE FOR JUST A \$1)

- ONION RINGS
- MUSHROOMS
- SEASONED CURLY FRIES

**(LOAD YOUR SIDE FOR JUST A \$1 MORE WITH  
NACHO CHEESE AND BACON BITS)**

**(ADD A SIDE SALAD OR SIDE OF SOUP FOR \$2  
MORE)**

Seasonal Soups \$5:

Chicken Tortilla, Loaded Potato, Roasted Red  
Pepper with Gouda Cheese, Broccoli Cheddar, or  
Chili

## BURGERS & SANDWICHES

(Add: Lettuce, Tomato, Onion, or Pickle)

**HAMBURGER...\$7**

**CHEESEBURGER...\$8.50**

Choice of cheese: American, Swiss, Provolone or,  
Pepper Jack

**Blue Burger...\$9**

A burger topped with melted blue cheese crumbles

**BBQ BURGER...\$9.50**

A burger topped with two onion rings, your choice  
of cheese and BBQ sauce

**BRUNCH BURGER...\$9.50**

A burger served with a fried egg & bacon with your  
choice of cheese of cheese

**LZ639...\$9**

A burger topped with grilled onions served on a  
toasted garlic aioli bun with your choice of cheese

**PATTY MELT...\$9**

A burger with grilled onions & Swiss cheese served  
on Texas Toast

**PORK TENDERLOIN SANDWICH...\$9.50**

A 7oz. tenderloin

**GRILLED CHICKEN SANDWICH...\$9**

Grilled chicken breast with bacon, Swiss cheese  
served on a toasted garlic aioli bun

**THE REUBEN...\$9.50**

Swiss cheese melted over corned beef & sauerkraut  
topped with Thousand Island served on rye bread

**BLT...\$7**

Four slices of bacon topped with lettuce & tomato  
served on Texas Toast

**GRILLED CHEESE...\$6.50**

Grilled Texas Toast with your choice of cheese.

**HOT HAM & CHEESE...\$7**

Four slices of smoked ham with your choice of  
cheese served on Texas Toast.



# LZ639 PIZZA MENU

(ALL PIZZAS ARE A 10 INCH CRUST)  
(NO ADD ONS OR SUBSTITUTIONS)

## THE CLASSICS

- Cheese.....\$7.50
- Pepperoni.....\$8
- Sausage.....\$8
- Bacon.....\$8
- Canadian Bacon.....\$8

## SPECIALTY PIZZAS

- Hawaiian.....\$8.50**  
Canadian Bacon, Pineapple
- Chicken Bacon Ranch.....\$9**  
Ranch, Italian Seasoning, Diced Chicken, Bacon Bits
- BBQ Chicken.....\$9**  
BBQ Sauce, Diced Chicken, Onions
- Alfredo.....\$9**  
Alfredo Sauce, Italian Seasoning, Diced Chicken, Mushrooms, Bacon Bits
- Buffalo Chicken.....\$9.50**  
Ranch, Cream Cheese, Buffalo Sauce, Diced Chicken
- Veggie Lovers.....\$8.50**

## EXTRA SPECIALTY

- Loaded Hawaiian.....\$9.50**  
Canadian Bacon, Bacon Bits, Pineapple, Onion
- Five Meat.....\$9.50**  
Canadian Bacon, Hamburger, Sausage, Bacon Bits, Pepperoni
- Supreme.....\$10**  
Canadian Bacon, Hamburger, Sausage, Bacon Bits, Mushrooms, Onions, Black Olives, Green Peppers, Pepperoni

LZ639 Pizza Company will make available to our members of Post 639 and families your choice of 12 different pizzas that we offer to area bars. There is a minimum order of 6 pizzas and they will only be made when we are making orders for our wholesale customers and will be **take out only**.

The price is **\$6.00** per pizza for 10” pizzas . This is for personal use and cannot be resold. See one of the bar staff for additional information and to order.

## Camping Services/Facilities at Post 639

Post 639 Bar Staff	417-882-8639
Adam Jamieson (24/7)	417-343-8723
Mike Chandler (24/7)	417-860-8910

### Contacts for RV Site reservations:

7 Sites (2 Class A, 5 Travel Trailer), Water/Electric (30/50/20) hookups, Max size 45 ft. Available on “First come, First serve” basis. PETS WELCOME !!!!!

**General Public** - \$20/night, **Veterans** - \$10/night, Back-in sites only. **One night maximum.** Extended stays require prior approval. Total # of guests per party must be specified when making the reservation. **NOTE: Post 639 members and families/friends MUST notify the Post 72 hours in advance to ensure accommodation of their reservation request. Extended stays require approval.**

Stroll through our on-site Veterans Memorial Park, featuring a submarine conning tower and two Vietnam-era helicopters. Our 23-acre property is attached to the largest public park in Springfield. **Nearby attractions** - Bass Pro Shops flagship store, Wonders of Wildlife Museum/Aquarium. Springfield Cardinals baseball, Branson entertainment, Silver Dollar City (USA Today’s #1 Theme Park in America). **Post 639 is ALSO a Harvest Host participant.**



### Post 639 Hours of Operation:

**OPEN TO THE PUBLIC.** Full lunch menu served daily Monday-Friday 11AM-2PM. Full Bar open during business hours. Pizzas and appetizers available during business hours. **Happy Hour** - .50 off, 12PM-2PM 7 days a week, 6PM-8PM Monday - Saturday.

Sunday	1PM - 7PM
Monday	11AM - 8PM
Tuesday	11AM - 8PM
Wednesday	11AM - 8PM
Thursday	11AM - 8PM
Friday	11AM - 8PM
Saturday	11AM - 8PM



As specified in the American Legion Post 639 By-Laws, Article VI, Section 2, the proposed budget of anticipated income and expenditures for the coming fiscal year will be printed in the Post Newsletter at least thirty (30) days prior to the beginning of the Post's fiscal year. Below is the proposed budget for Fiscal Year 2024.

## Vietnam War Memorial Post 639 Inc.

### Budget Overview: 2023 Budget - FY23 P&L

December 2023

	DEC 2023	TOTAL
<b>Income</b>		
Bar & Kitchen Income		\$0.00
Bar Sales	11,982.50	\$11,982.50
Food Sales	4,951.57	\$4,951.57
Pizza Sales (Outside)	315.92	\$315.92
<b>Total Bar &amp; Kitchen Income</b>	<b>17,249.99</b>	<b>\$17,249.99</b>
Contributed Support		\$0.00
Directed Donations by Individuals	1,655.13	\$1,655.13
General Donations by Individuals	381.59	\$381.59
<b>Total Contributed Support</b>	<b>2,036.72</b>	<b>\$2,036.72</b>
Fundraising		\$0.00
Boys State Fundraisers	65.11	\$65.11
Metal Sales	29.70	\$29.70
<b>Total Boys State Fundraisers</b>	<b>94.81</b>	<b>\$94.81</b>
Memorial Fundraisers	33.40	\$33.40
Signage Fundraisers		\$0.00
50/50 Raffle	75.35	\$75.35
Cardinals Tickets	19.00	\$19.00
Gun Raffle	25.00	\$25.00
Renegade Bike Shop	360.00	\$360.00
<b>Total Signage Fundraisers</b>	<b>479.35</b>	<b>\$479.35</b>
<b>Total Fundraising</b>	<b>607.56</b>	<b>\$607.56</b>
Gaming Revenue & Commissions		\$0.00
Missouri Lottery Commissions	14,878.88	\$14,878.88
Pull Tabs	1,504.32	\$1,504.32
Queen of Hearts	3,965.42	\$3,965.42
Torch Commissions	5,135.70	\$5,135.70
<b>Total Gaming Revenue &amp; Commissions</b>	<b>25,484.32</b>	<b>\$25,484.32</b>
Post Membership Dues Received	1,508.48	\$1,508.48
Post Revenue		\$0.00
ATM Fees Collected	314.30	\$314.30
Quarter Machine	126.95	\$126.95
<b>Total Post Revenue</b>	<b>441.25</b>	<b>\$441.25</b>
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>\$47,328.32</b>	<b>\$47,328.32</b>
Cost of Goods Sold		\$0.00
Cost of Goods Sold		\$0.00
Alcohol Purchases	3,279.33	\$3,279.33
Food Purchases	1,532.20	\$1,532.20
Kitchen & Bar Supplies	3,553.14	\$3,553.14
<b>Total Cost of Goods Sold</b>	<b>8,364.67</b>	<b>\$8,364.67</b>
<b>Total Cost of Goods Sold</b>	<b>\$8,364.67</b>	<b>\$8,364.67</b>
<b>GROSS PROFIT</b>	<b>\$38,963.65</b>	<b>\$38,963.65</b>

# Vietnam War Memorial Post 639 Inc.

## Budget Overview: 2023 Budget - FY23 P&L

December 2023

	DEC 2023	TOTAL
<b>Expenses</b>		
Advertising & Marketing	133.00	\$133.00
Bank Fees & Service Charges	27.50	\$27.50
Charitable Contributions & Donations		\$0.00
Boys State of Missouri	137.05	\$137.05
<b>Total Charitable Contributions &amp; Donations</b>	<b>137.05</b>	<b>\$137.05</b>
Fundraising Expenses		\$0.00
Signage Fundraising Expenses		\$0.00
Gun Raffle Expenses	98.52	\$98.52
Renegade Bike Shop Expenses	230.00	\$230.00
<b>Total Signage Fundraising Expenses</b>	<b>328.52</b>	<b>\$328.52</b>
<b>Total Fundraising Expenses</b>	<b>328.52</b>	<b>\$328.52</b>
Gaming Expenses		\$0.00
Missouri Lottery Expenses	14,668.26	\$14,668.26
Queen of Hearts Expenses	1,315.79	\$1,315.79
<b>Total Gaming Expenses</b>	<b>15,984.05</b>	<b>\$15,984.05</b>
Insurance	1,249.90	\$1,249.90
Licenses & Compliance Fees	161.94	\$161.94
Merchant Processing Fees	75.11	\$75.11
Occupancy		\$0.00
Cleaning	70.00	\$70.00
Internet	175.20	\$175.20
Telephone Expenses	770.28	\$770.28
TV Services	85.49	\$85.49
Utilities	3,903.87	\$3,903.87
<b>Total Occupancy</b>	<b>5,004.84</b>	<b>\$5,004.84</b>
Office Expenses	107.47	\$107.47
Copier Lease & Maintenance	162.77	\$162.77
Newspaper	65.24	\$65.24
Office Supplies	83.26	\$83.26
Postage & Shipping	30.00	\$30.00
Printing & photocopying	118.90	\$118.90
Small tools & equipment	23.18	\$23.18
Software & Apps	43.50	\$43.50
<b>Total Office Expenses</b>	<b>634.32</b>	<b>\$634.32</b>
Payroll Expenses	16.27	\$16.27
Payroll Processing Fees	16.80	\$16.80
Salaries & Wages	5,803.20	\$5,803.20
Taxes	713.87	\$713.87
<b>Total Payroll Expenses</b>	<b>6,550.14</b>	<b>\$6,550.14</b>
Post Banquets	26.21	\$26.21
Post Membership Dues Paid	217.50	\$217.50
Professional Fees		\$0.00

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## Vietnam War Memorial Post 639 Inc.

Budget Overview: 2023 Budget - FY23 P&L

December 2023

	DEC 2023	TOTAL
Accounting fees	665.00	\$665.00
Legal fees	100.00	\$100.00
<b>Total Professional Fees</b>	<b>765.00</b>	<b>\$765.00</b>
Repairs & maintenance	424.55	\$424.55
Buildings & Grounds	3,495.01	\$3,495.01
Pest Control	64.00	\$64.00
<b>Total Repairs &amp; maintenance</b>	<b>3,983.56</b>	<b>\$3,983.56</b>
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$35,278.64</b>	<b>\$35,278.64</b>
<b>NET OPERATING INCOME</b>	<b>\$3,685.01</b>	<b>\$3,685.01</b>
Other Income		
Interest Income	2.20	\$2.20
<b>Total Other Income</b>	<b>\$2.20</b>	<b>\$2.20</b>
<b>NET OTHER INCOME</b>	<b>\$2.20</b>	<b>\$2.20</b>
<b>NET INCOME</b>	<b>\$3,687.21</b>	<b>\$3,687.21</b>

### STEAK NIGHT @LZ639, Friday, December 1st, 6PM !!!!

It's been a while since we have done a Friday night dinner. Our volunteers will be cooking up steaks with all the fixin's and a dessert for \$20. Beef - it's what's for dinner, come eat with us !!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!



## WINTER COAT DRIVE



American Legion Post 639, ALR and ALA are sponsoring a 'Coat Drive' for the Veterans Coming Home Center'. Coats, gloves, scarfs and hats are needed. We accept men's, women's, and children's sizes.

**Bring your items to the Post between 20 November and 20 December.**

There is a barrel located there for the donations.

So, get in your closet and dig out those items you no longer need and put them to good use!!! Help us as we help to keep our Veterans and families warm this winter!!!!



# Pre Ride Get TOYS FOR TOTS Together @LZ639

Toys for Tots "Pre Party" - 10AM prior to the Ride



**Springfield Marine Corps Reserve**



**TOYS FOR TOTS**  
43rd ANNUAL  
**MOTORCYCLE RIDE**  
Corwin Ford 3241 S. Glenstone Springfield, MO.  
12/03/2023  
**RAIN OR SHINE**  
**BIKERS BE THERE**  
*Street Legal Vehicles Only*

**After Party**  
**TOYS FOR TOTS**  
**@LZ639**

Toys for Tots "After Party" - 2:45PM following the Ride



**Post 639 Christmas Party**

FOR POST MEMBERS, POST VSO MEMBERS, EMPLOYEES & THEIR GUESTS

**SATURDAY, DECEMBER 16TH**

COCKTAILS 5:30  
DINNER 6:30  
CHRISTMAS PRESENT EXCHANGE  
MORE DETAILS TO FOLLOW

TICKETS ON SALE DECEMBER 1ST - DECEMBER 10TH  
MARK YOUR CALENDARS ALA HOSTING THE EVENT

## For The Good of the Legion .....



P-47 Thunderbolt



"The Whole 9 Yards"

The P-47 Fighter/Bomber served in WWII. It was one of the largest, with a single engine and a 4-bladed propeller, which gave it more thrust. The P-47 was big and ugly, but it could perform the same as the more glamorous P-51 Mustang. It had a big opening in front and came down to a wheel in the tail. There is a saying that people think came from the football people - "The Whole 9 Yards", That is not the case. It came from the P-47 aircraft. The P-47 had eight .50 Caliber machine guns, 4 on each wing. Each gun had a 27-foot belt (9 yards) of bullets that fed into each gun. A P-47 pilot tells the story that the bullets converged 300 yards ahead of the aircraft, and they all fired at once, and before the pilot knew it, he had shot the "whole 9 yards". Then the pilot reached into a hole in the wing, and pulled out a set of 7 bullets. He said each 9 yards of bullets was made up of a series of 7 bullets. The two were incendiary, the next two were armor-piercing, The third were tracers so you could see where you shot, and the final was incendiary - explosive on impact. If you hit the enemy with those, he was no more. The pilot was standing under the aircraft that he flew in WWII. That was unusual in itself because how could you find your aircraft out of those scattered all over the world. This pilot's aircraft is located in the "Air Zoo" Museum in the town of Kalamazoo, Michigan.

**Charlie Weaver**  
**"Budreau"**



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