



Post 379

## COMMANDERS CORNER

Welcome to August everyone, I hope everyone survived the latest heat wave, thank God the air conditioner did not go out at the club. Football season will be here before we know it, hopefully the Seahawks/Packers will bring more joy than the Mariners have provided this summer. I am looking forward to the new season starting.

We have had some great events at the club recently. On 29 June we had a Buffalo burger cookout, Matt Stedman donated the buffalo meat, Al Scherer did a ton of work behind the scenes to make the event successful, thanks for all your help. On the 20<sup>th</sup> of July we had our second annual car show that Sami does a great job putting together, and once again Alan was behind the scenes volunteering his time and efforts, thanks for making this event a great success. I would like to thank everyone who came out to these great events too, thanks for your support. We have some upcoming events as well. On the 8<sup>th</sup> of August there will be a VA townhall meeting at our club starting at 5pm, bring any questions or concerns you have about the VA. In September we are going to have an oyster cookout with the oysters being donated by Lytle seafood, more info to come on that, thanks Carl for doing all the leg work. In October we have an Octoberfest celebration, keep an eye out for more info about that.

I need to take some space to thank Leo Wright for his efforts in getting us scheduled for the Indian John Hill coffee stand fund raiser. Leo gets us scheduled with the DOT and then makes sure that all the shifts are covered, this year we collected donations around \$1200. Way to go Leo, if you see Leo around the club make sure to thank him.

This is the time when I remind everyone that our club is the only place you can enjoy the camaraderie that we share from years of military service in harms way. We have nearly 700 members and it has been great to see more faces that I haven't seen in while coming down to the club, it would be great to see all 700 over the next month too. If you haven't been down in a while, please join us for dinner on Friday night or Breakfast on Sunday morning, or a game of left/right/center on a Wednesday evening.

As always it is my honor to serve as Commander of VFW Post 379.

Tim Gatton

William Wharton

Post 379

Post Script

August 2024

## AUXILIARY PRESIDENT

Summer Greetings Fellow Members,

Summertime is here and the heat is on. I hope you and your families are enjoying it and staying cool at the same time. Thank God for shade trees, water, and good old air conditioners.

There is not much to report. The car show was July 20th and was successful but I would have liked more of seen more of you there. A gig "Thank You" to all of you who participated and helped put it on. Your participation was much appreciated.

Secondly I have been informed that the 2025 State Convention in June is going to be held in Yakima. So there's something we can think about and get ready for. Your help would be much appreciated. So come to the Post and Auxiliary Meetings every 2nd Wednesday of the month and get informed. I hope to see you at the next meeting on Wednesday August 14th.

Game night is still every 1st, 3rd, and 4th Wednesday of the month. Don't forget Friday dinners. Bring your families and friends done for a delicious meal. Everyone is welcome. And don't forget the last Thursday of the month is Steak Night.

There will be a District meeting on August 24th in Prosser.

In Closing stay safe, cool, and hope to see you soon. Please don't forget to thank our Veterans for their service in fighting for our freedom.

God Bless you all. Sami Church, Aux President

# CLUB MANAGER

Hello VFW 379 members!

Thank you for another great month and for your support. We will be having an "End of Summer Bash" on **Saturday August 31st** from 1-6PM. Come out for hot dogs and drink specials! We will also have lots of fun games and prizes. If you or anyone else close to you would like to book a private event at the club please don't hesitate to give me a call at the club for pricing and availability  
Yours truly - Allecia Weeks, Club Manager

## Thursday night dinner recap:

**8/1 Bar Menu**

**8/8 Bar Menu**

**8/15 Bar Menu**

**8/22 Bar Menu**

**8/29 Steak Night**



July drink  
special  
Fireball shots  
\$3.00

For Veterans who have served our nation, finding opportunities to relax and rejuvenate is essential. The [Armed Forces Vacation Club \(AFVC\)](#) is a valuable resource that offers a chance for Veterans to enjoy well-deserved vacations without breaking the bank.

## MUSIC, MUSIC, MUSIC

The Chuck Thompson is now playing Thursday and Friday nights at the Post. Come on down for a great dinner and do a little dancing to work it off.

Happy Hour

2::00 to 5:00

and

All day on Wednesday

## CLUB HOURS

Club hours are as follows:

Closed: Monday, Tuesday, Saturday

Open: Wednesday, Thursday, Friday,

2:00PM TO CLOSE

Open Sunday 8:00am to 12:00pm

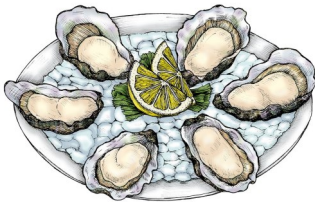
We will be open at other times for special events. Watch your calendar, the Facebook page, or the web site to keep up to date.

## District Commander

Comrades,

I am glad to announce our new State chain of command: State Cmdr. Perry Taylor, SV Drew James and JV Frank Perza. The state convention was a success and a lot of good things came out of it. I'll be sharing the information when I visit your Post meeting. Congrats to all the new Post officers who can now assume their duties for the 24-25 year. I am sure they are ready to make a big difference in the Post. With your new position in the Post I am sure you're ready and know your duties in the position you're about to do. I would truly like for members of your Post to work closely together to fulfill the mission of your Post. The goals for your Post in the upcoming year is too get your membership to 100%. You're almost there and we need to continue reaching out to eligible veterans to get them to join our great organization. So, I am asking all members to get more involve in your Post to help the VFW grow as a whole. Special thanks to Al who donated funds to the District. (Thank You) As your District Commander, I want District 17 to be the leader of Districts and I need your HELP to accomplish this by staying on top of mandatory reporting to State and National. Great job in keeping up with the state dashboard! I leave you with this: REPORT, REPORT!!!!

Wanye White, District 17 Commander



Oyster feast fund-raiser September 7th, 4:00-6:00PM. Grilled oysters, Caesar salad & garlic bread. Lasagna for non seafood eaters. Good food, raffles, fun. Only 60 tickets will be sold. Get yours soon so you don't miss out.

During a recent House and Club meeting it was decided to suspend Thursday night dinners for the rest of the Summer. Turn out has been down so much that it does not make payroll. Bar Menu will be available on those days. The last Thursday of the Month will still be Steak Night.

House & Club Committee

## NEW BAR MENU

Side Winder JoJo's \$8.99 (add chili & cheese \$3.50)

Fries or Tot basket \$5.50

Onion Ring basket \$6.50

Chicken strip basket \$13.00

Fish N Chips \$13.00

6 piece wing basket \$13.00

6 wings only \$7.50

12 piece wings only \$14.00

Chili Cheese fries \$7.00

Chili Cheese dog basket \$12.99

Stuffed tater tots \$6.99

VFW will be 125 year old

On Sept 29th

Happy  
Birthday

Veterans of Foreign Wars

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We have the Post Script in the E-mail form but will have copies at the Post Home. This will be in color and have more content. We can update the Post Calendar as often as is required to keep up with changing events. Sign up at the Post or send me your email address to vfw379@gmail.com or delgilliland@aol.com. Like us on Facebook and check out the web page. vfw-post379.org. If you have something you would like in the newsletter send it to the Post or to me. I will be trying to publish the newsletter monthly. Del

Veterans suicide is at an all time high. If you or someone you know is having problems and need to talk, help is available thru the VA or the Veterans Crisis Line 1-800-273-8255 press 1.

#### OUR GREAT SPONSORS

Field Group

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Brookside Funeral Home

Keith & Keith

#### DID YOU KNOW?

All sanctioned Veterans organization members or active military and their guests are welcome at Post 379. Just show your card and sign the guest book and enjoy our hospitality. Please let your friends know they

Do you have a group that gets together to play games or cards? Think about meeting at the club in the afternoon or evening. Games are more fun with a couple of drinks, just saying !!!

The Club is having game night on the first and third Wednesday of the month. Right, Center, Left dice game on both nights. Come out and win some money and have fun. 4th Wednesday is any game you would like to play.

#### POST 379 OFFICERS

Commander Tim Gatton

Sr-vice Wayne White

Jr-vice Mike Fezer

Quartermaster Del Gilliland

Adjutant Open

H & C Chairman Carl Lidke

Chaplain Paul Soper

#### Aux Officers

President Sami Church

Sr-vice Judy Dawson

Jr-vice Ellena Hazen

Treasurer Annette Buck

Secretary Brandy Garner

Chaplain Susan Lippincott



**SAVE THE DATE!**  
**Veteran Town Hall & Outreach Event**

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**Thu., August 8**  
4:00 p.m. — Outreach Fair  
5:00 p.m. — Town Hall  
**VFW Post #379 | Yakima, WA**

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William Wharton Post #379  
118 S. 5th Ave., Yakima, WA

Come get information on the PACT Act and other VA services/get your questions answered!



2024 Stand Down and Benefit Fair  
Saturday October 19th from 9-2 at State  
Fair Park, in the Sundome  
Mark your calendars

End of Summer Blast

August 31st

1-6PM

Hot dogs, drink specials, games, prizes