



Post 379

COMMANDERS CORNER

Welcome to March everyone. We've had a great February. I want to thank everyone who helped make our Super bowl potluck a great success, especially Don and Cindy who put the silent auction, and Leo who ran the 50/50 raffle. The silent auction raised over \$1000, and the 50/50 was almost \$400. Thanks again. Thanks to everyone who came out and brought great food.

March brings our Post anniversary and "old Soldiers ball" to celebrate. The ball will be on 29 March tickets are available. Our post will be 105 years old this year, for perspective the VFW is 125, ours is one of the oldest post around, something to be proud of.

March brings the first round of nominations for elected positions, with voting in April. If you're interested and have questions feel free to ask me.

If you haven't been to the club for dinner or breakfast in a while, I recommend you make it down. The new manager Dawn, the bartenders and our kitchen crew (Rachel and Pam) are all doing a great job, thanks for all your efforts.

As always, it's my honor to serve as Commander of VFW Post 379.

Tim Gatton

William Wharton

Post 379

Post Script

March 2025

AUXILIARY PRESIDENT

Hello Fellow Members,

Let's say goodbye to February and hello to March and Spring.

First of all let's give a big "Congrats" to our first place VOD winner Elijah Sauer. And wish him well at Nationals in D.C.. Secondly, I want to give a big "Thank You" to Aux. members Cindy Sweet, Marlene Gilliland, and Mryna Pitts for raising \$1025.00 with their Superbowl chair repair fundraiser. "Great Job Ladies". Welcome Cindy Sweet as our new Media Relation Chairperson and Mryna Pitts as our new Historian Chairperson. Thank you ladies. Thirdly, the VFW Post has lost a lifetime Auxiliary member "Miss Carolyn Hope" who has been a past Auxiliary, District, and State President. Our deepest sympathies to her family and friends. Rest in Peace Carolyn. You will be truly missed by one and all.

Events coming our way:

March 12th—Post and Aux meeting at 6:30PM.

March 17th—Happy St. Paddy's Day

March 19th—Social Luncheon at C+S Coffee House in Terrace Heights 1:00PM. Everyone welcome.

March 27th—Steak and Dessert Night

March 29th Old Soldiers Ball and Post Birthday.

March 31st—Patriotic Art entries due.

Left, Right, Center games 1st, 3rd, and 4th Wednesdays.

Women's Shelter Fundraiser chaired by Susan Lippencott, donation box is located at the Post.

Auxiliary Chair people don't forget your year end reports are due to the State by April 15th. Thank You. If you have any questions just call me.

In closing, I just want to wish everyone well. Thank our Veterans for their service and God Bless you all.

Sami Church, Aux President

CLUB MANAGER

February is over and hopefully so is the cold weather! We finally got a toaster, so Sunday breakfast can go back to normal, its arriving March 4th. We were donated a case of Anto Lin Le Bone 2019 vintage red wine & 5 bottles of 10 High Kentucky Bourbon. We're having \$3 shots of 10 High & \$3 glasses of Le Bone red wine while supplies last.

Dawn, club manager

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Thursday night dinner recap:

3/6 CFS

3/13 Hot Roast beef Sandwich

3/20 Glazed Pork Loin

3/27 Steak Night

March drink

specials

Fireball shots

\$3.00

Bar tequila

\$4.00



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. Chuck will now be offering limited open mic for our talented members. Talk to Chuck about showing your hidden talent.

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.



Post 379 is trying to pick your favorite tap beers so we can reduce inventory and save some space in our cooler. Let us know your favorite. We will be reducing to 4 or 5 of your favorites. We currently have Bud, Bud Light, Irish Death, Top Cutter, and Wicked Cider. This is “your” Club, let us know what you want.

VFW Post 379 Challenge Coins are available at the bar for \$20. Get yours while they last.



Special thanks goes out to all that have donated to our Club and Post the last few months. Your help is very much appreciated. We won't embarrass you by putting your names out but “we” know who you are!! Thank you so much.



Honor Wall

The wall is growing and we would like to see it get bigger still. Put yourself or your loved one on the wall to be remembered forever in their place of Honor. Applications are available at the Post or can be emailed at your request. Cost is \$100 per plaque and the profit goes to support maintenance on the Post Home.



Welcome Home Vietnam Veterans Day
March 29th, 1:00PM Sarge Hubbard Park
You earned it! Come out and feel the love.
Free burgers and hot dogs after ceremony

"OLD SOLDIER'S BALL"

Post 379 will be having our annual Old Soldier's Ball on March 29th, 2025. This event is also a celebration of Post 379's 105th Birthday. Dinner will be Baked Ham or Chicken Cordon Bleu. Live band, raffles, ribbons. Come down and have a fun night with friends and comrades. Tickets available at the bar. \$30.00

We have new Post 379 T-shirts in stock while they last. Get yours before they are gone. New VFW Post 379 ball caps also. Both are \$25.00 each.

Hello VFW Members,

With appreciation, we thank VFW Post 379 for supporting Yakima QOV's efforts in Yakima County. The Quilts of Valor Foundation has awarded over 403,000 Quilts of Valor since 2021. Go to www.qovf.org for more info. I'm very proud of each member's dedication to our service members and veterans and your support of our group. Yakima QOV has awarded over 300 Quilts of Valor in your and my community since July 2021. Last year, we increased our awards by 55 QOV, a significant growth made possible by an increase in membership and community support, totaling 148 veterans comforted with Quilts of Valor in 2024! We look forward to 2025, comforting many more in our communities, and your support. *Shirleen Wilhelm, GL, and Members of Yakima QOV.*

Kind regards,

Shirleen Wilhelm

Group Leader

Yakima QOV

Yakima, Washington (PST)

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Email: yakima.qov@gmail.com

509-949-7740

To Nominate a Service Member or Veteran, go to www.qovf.org

ELECTIONS

First nominations for the Post will be March 12th. Elections for Post and Auxiliary will be April 9th. This is your Club and Post. Come down and make your voice heard. If you are interested in becoming a Post or Auxiliary Officer come down for the election. We need you.

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.

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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 are welcome.

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 !!!

POST 379 OFFICERS

Commander Tim Gatton

Sr-vice Wayne White

Jr-vice Mike Fezer

Quartermaster Del Gilliland

Adjutant Del Gilliland

H & C Chairman Billy Kivett

Chaplain Paul Soper

Aux Officers

President Sami Church

Sr-vice Judy Dawson

Jr-vice Ellena Hazen

Treasurer Annette Buck

Secretary Cheryl McCann

Chaplain Susan Lippincott

Community Service Reports

To our Post and Auxiliary Members! Times have changed, we now have to submit all our reports to the Dept of Washington by computer. Please if you are doing anything in the community as a VFW or Auxiliary member then please let me or your Auxiliary President know so I can transmit it to the State on their web page. Email me at vfw379@gmail.com or drop off a list of what you have been doing at the Post. Thank you Del Gilliland, Adjutant

“New key cards are in”

They are Orange this year. Your Pink card will not work anymore.

Current Membership must be shown to purchase a new card

Thank you for your membership and support

\$3.00

Remember Post 379 has 2 pool tables and a shuffle board for your use and enjoyment. We also have a lending library of books for your use.