VFW POST 604 NEWS

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April 2025

V.F.W. Mission Statement

The purpose of this corporation (VFW) shall be fraternal, patriotic, historical, charitable, and educational; to preserve and strengthen comradeship among its members; to assist worthy comrades; to perpetuate the memory and history of our dead, and to assist their widows and orphans; to maintain true allegiance to the Government of the United States of America, and fidelity to its institutions of American freedom, and to preserve and defend the United States from all her enemies, whomsoever.

Commander's Corner

March madness is finally over, what a great month it was for a lot of reasons... Welcome to April and the Gateway to warmer weather, flowers, and newly born foliage. A promise of warmer weather and summer activities begin.

On the food and beverage side of the house, Commanders Steak Night was a fun success in March. The next Commander's meal on April 18th will be a Fish Fry with the appropriate accoutrements. So come out and enjoy some fellowship and good vittles. Also, you will see some menu changes for Sunday's, not always soup as we slide into the warmer weather, please come and enjoy some awesome homemade chow with us. Good deals on Monday as we have delicious hotdogs and that ever popular Saturday Smoked Pork Sandwich.

A couple points of interest this month; We will be having the first annual Commander's Cup Billiards Tournament on Saturday April 5th starting at 10am, open to all VFW members / VFW Auxiliary, bring your sticks and prepare for a good time, \$5.00 entry fee pays for the Commander's Cup Trophy. Please Direct any questions to VFW Trustee Brad Mobley.

We are looking at putting in a double door to the outside deck very soon. I feel that we have a lot of usable space for the warmer months, and it will bring not just more visibility but more natural light to the bar area... it's time!

VFW Auxiliary

Spring has sprung and we're all looking forward to the warmer weather and beautiful spring flowers!

We're also looking forward to our Kids' Annual Easter Party. It will be at the Post April 19th from 10 to 11:30am for kids 11 and under, though older kids are welcome to come and help hide eggs and help the younger kids color Easter eggs. Donuts, milk and OJ will be available. There will also be some other games and a visit from the Easter bunny. A box will be in the lobby for anyone who wishes to donate individually wrapped Easter candy.

The Auxiliary will also raffle off another large basket filled with spring goodies. Anyone who would like to donate to the basket may do so by April 11th - with the raffle drawing on April 18th, at 7pm. You need not be present to win.

Our fish dinner was a great success, and we will do it again soon - with a bit larger portion next time. Please see the calendar for our April meals.

I'd like to suggest a movie - Six Triple Eight on Netflix. It's about how the WACs got the mail delivered to our military in the European Theater during WWII. It was very inspiring.

Our last year's art contest winner from the Bloomington Post - Emma Smith - has submitted another drawing. This one of her grandfather and horse. She is so talented! We wish her the best of luck!

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2024-2025 VFW Post 604 Auxiliary Officers

Carol Rowan-Ozug	
Mike Pipher	
Julie Martin	Jr. Vice President
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Greg Johnson	Conductor
Jenny Tracy	Patriotic Instructor
Chelle Brown	Guard
Toni Kristoff	Chaplain
Toni Kristoff	1 Yr. Trustee
Julie Martin	2 Yr. Trustee
Chelle Brown	3 Yr. Trustee

2024-2025 VFW Post 604 Officers

Dale Blubaugh	
Aaron Dobrin	Sr. Vice Commander
Cathi Johnson	Jr. Vice Commander
Debbie Deckard	Quartermaster
Peter Chadwick	Chaplain
Ken Sexton	Judge Advocate
Richard "Moe" Moldenhauer.	Surgeon
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Debbie Deckard	Adjutant
Bradley Mobley	1 Yr. Trustee
Scott Tincher	2 Yr. Trustee
Jason Endris	3 Yr. Trustee

Gary Demes	1 Yr. House Committee
Barney White	2 Yr. House Committee
Roy Smith	3 Yr. House Committee



Commander's Drawing Results

Date	Member Drawn	\$Pot\$	Result
02/28	Allen Empson	\$217	Not Signed
03/07	Robert Wright	\$271	Not Signed
03/14	Mark Weidenmay	er\$327	Not Signed
03/21	Vicki Swafford	\$382	Full Winner!

\$1 to play – Sign – Who wins, who knows? Be here Friday @ 7:00 PM – if your # is drawn – get it all!

Commander_

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That's about it from here. Let's all watch out for and take care of each other. This VFW Post 604 depends on each and every one of you all to survive and flourish... We are all in this Together! See you at the PostCommander out! �

Commander – Dale Blubaugh (812) 606 8230 Dale.blubaugh@gmail.com

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Spring Conference for the Indiana Division was on March 22nd. It was very interesting to me as a firsttime goer. I was very impressed with presentations by 2 organizations that represent our veterans -Indiana Patriot Guard and Irreverent Warriors. If you get a chance, take a look at these groups online. Irreverent Warriors was the Division President's special project this past year and I believe the IPC will be the special project for the coming year.

April 5th is Gold Star Spouse Day. Please keep these people in your thoughts and prayers. If they wish to come to the Post for a meal that day, we would be happy to honor their sacrifice and spirit.

The month of April is National Military Child Month. While our military service people serve around the world, we often don't think of the challenges their children also face. The DOD website has a nice tribute to these kids.

Our March 2025 drawing drew Mary Catherine Hickman - Not Signed.

Our Auxiliary elections are in April. If you'd like to run for office or wish to nominate someone, there will be a sign-up sheet right outside the kitchen.

Please let us know of any of our members who are ill or have passed. We wish you all good health and bright sunny days.

See you at the Post! 💠

Carol Rowan-Ozug – Auxiliary President (812)325-3377 crowanozug@gmail.com

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		Laurens D	. Strain – VFW					
April 2025								
1200 - 1800	1200 - 2100	CLOSED	CLOSED	CLOSED	1600 - 2200	1200 - 1800		
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday		
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6 Souper Sunday !!! Serving 1200 – 1600	7 Hot Dog Monday \$3.00 Chips & Fixin's 1800-2100 EUCHRE –	8	9	10	serving 1730 – 1930 11 VFW Auxiliary's Shredded Pork Sandwiches \$10.00	Smoked Porkchop Sandy \$5.00 Serving 1200 – 1730		
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Friday April 4th

\$10.00 1730 – 1930

All-You-Can Eat Tacos

Friday April 11th 1730 – 1930

Shredded Pork Sandwiches **\$10.00**

Hot Dog Monday – Every Monday

Smoked Porkchop Sandwich - Every Saturday

Souper Sunday - Every Sunday





Friday April 18th

Friday April 25th \$10.00 1730 - 1930





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