

# VFW POST 604 NEWS

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August 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

Welcome to the dog days of August. If you haven't been to Post 604 recently, you are in for some surprises, including our new sliding door leading to the deck and our new sign in the bar area with scrolling information. You will also notice a new gaming system with digital wall gaming machines, more to follow on this so stay tuned.

August is Anti-Terrorism Awareness Month, so remember, if you see something...say something! This month also has many military dates to celebrate, like Coast Guard Day Aug 4<sup>th</sup>, Purple Heart Day Aug 7<sup>th</sup>, US Department of Defense Birthday Aug 10<sup>th</sup>, Agent Orange Awareness Day Aug 10<sup>th</sup>, Navajo Code Talkers Day Aug 14<sup>th</sup> and National Airborne Day Aug 16<sup>th</sup>.

Commander's dinner this month will be Friday, August 15<sup>th</sup> and we will be bringing back the ever-popular fish fry, so mark your calendar and don't miss it.

Not a lot of new intel to share, so I will keep it short. Try to stay cool in the heat, come join us when you can and enjoy the final weeks of summer. As always, thanks to all our awesome volunteers that keep our VFW Post 604 the amazing place it is!! Hope to see you soon....Commander Out... ❖

**Commander – Dale Blubaugh**

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## VFW Auxiliary

It's back to school time! Already! Hope that you all are having a good (HOT!!!) summer. We had a fun July 4<sup>th</sup> celebration at the Post. Lots of people and lots of food. The new sliding glass door is amazing. Come on out to the Post and see the changes. Enjoy a great meal on Friday nights. Most are just \$10 including some wonderful desserts. Hard to find a deal like that anywhere else!

On 8/1/25 we're having a baked potato and salad bar. On 8/8/25- pulled pork sandwiches – a huge favorite. 8/22/25 is our famous pork tenderloin sandwich. Since August has five Fridays, all you can eat tacos will be back 8/29/25. Hope to see you at some of our meals. Let us do the cooking on these hot summer days. Bring some friends or family. We're always happy to see folks!

Our new hospital mission this time is lap blankets. Knitted, crocheted or sewn, they'll be distributed to veterans' cancer centers for use while undergoing chemo. And yes, IU Health Bloomington serves as one such location. Chemo can mean an hours long day at the hospital while hooked up and a warm blanket always helps. Please consider donating to this good cause.

Again, I'd like to encourage everyone to consider taking a trip to the VFW National Home in Eaton Rapids, MI. Our district is hosting a bus trip for \$170 for the bus trip there and back, a night at a Tru Hotel (double occupancy) and a wonderful meal with many  
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## 2025-2026 VFW Post 604 Auxiliary Officers

Carol Rowan-Ozug	President
Mike Pipher	Sr. Vice President
Julie Martin	Jr. Vice President
Karen E. Cain	Secretary/Treasurer
Greg Johnson	Conductor
Chelle Brown	Patriotic Instructor
Chelle Brown	Guard
Sara Dobrin	Chaplain
Chelle Brown	1 Yr. Trustee
Julie Martin	2 Yr. Trustee
Kenya Blubaugh	3 Yr. Trustee

## 2025-2026 VFW Post 604 Officers

Dale Blubaugh	Commander
Aaron Dobrin	Sr. Vice Commander
Cathi Johnson	Jr. Vice Commander
Scott Tinch	Quartermaster
Peter Chadwick	Chaplain
Ken Sexton	Judge Advocate
Richard "Moe" Moldenhauer	Surgeon
→ Vacant ←	Service Officer
Debbie Deckard	Adjutant
Debbie Deckard	1 Yr. Trustee
Jason Endris	2 Yr. Trustee
Bradley Mobley	3 Yr. Trustee
Gary Demes	1 Yr. House Committee
Barney White	2 Yr. House Committee
Roy Smith	3 Yr. House Committee

## COMMANDER'S DRAWING



### Commander's Drawing Results

Date	Member Drawn	\$Pot\$	Result
06/27	Matthew Kristoff	\$258 ½	Signed/Not Present
07/04	Barbera Edwards	\$129	Not Signed
07/11	Sarah Fuller	\$195 ½	Signed/Not Present
07/18	Patricia Wright	\$198	Not Signed

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

## Auxiliary

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from our district and the residents at the NH. Chelle and I are going again this year and would be so happy to have others join us. It's really a fabulous weekend - leave morning of 9/20 and return evening of 9/21. Act fast as the bus is filling up! Contact me if interested. That weekend I will be presenting the Home with a check from all your generous donations to the Little Blue House that sits on the bar.

The Monroe County History Center is accepting our old files to enrich the veteran database for the county- available to the public when it's finished. It's been fascinating going through the files. Some date back to the early 1900's with claims from the Spanish American War. The most recent files in this group seem to be from the 70's. They will be redacting anything that needs it. It will become a great resource for genealogy searches and military history in our county.

You will be getting dues renewal letters in the near future. It will also include a place to donate to Wreaths Across America. We thank you in advance for renewing and/or becoming a life member!

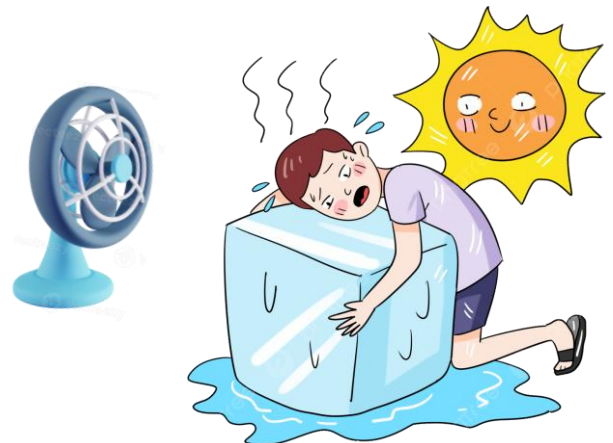
### July 15<sup>th</sup> drawing was Steve White – Not Signed

Please be safe in all that you do and come on down to the Post for a meal or just to visit! We'd love to see you. Enjoy the rest of the summer. And maybe consider joining us at the next meeting. We meet on the third Tuesday of every month at 6p.m. in the lower level of the Post. ♦

### Carol Rowan-Ozug – Auxiliary President

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# Laurens B. Strain – VFW Post 604



# AUGUST 2025

1200 - 1800	1200 - 2100	CLOSED	CLOSED	CLOSED	1600 - 2200	1200 - 1800
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	<b>ALL GAVE SOME</b>    <b>SOME GAVE ALL</b>				Serving 1730 – 1930 <b>1</b> <b>VFW Auxiliary's Baked Potato Bar &amp; Salad Bar</b> \$10.00  <b>Open to the Public</b>	<b>2</b> Smoked Porkchop Sandwich \$5.00 Serving 1200 – 1730  Open 1200 - 1800
<b>3</b> <b>Souper Sunday !!!</b> Serving 1200 – 1600	<b>4</b>  Hot Dog Monday \$3.00 Chips & Fixin's 1800-2100 EUCHRE – Free – for - ALL	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>  *Vet to Vet – 1800	Serving 1730 – 1930 <b>8</b> <b>VFW Auxiliary's Pulled Pork Sandwiches</b> \$10.00  <b>Open to the Public</b>	<b>9</b> Smoked Porkchop Sandwich \$5.00 Serving 1200 – 1730  Open 1200 - 1800
<b>10</b> <b>Souper Sunday !!!</b> Serving 1200 – 1600	<b>11</b>  Hot Dog Monday \$3.00 Chips & Fixin's 1800-2100 EUCHRE – Free – for - ALL	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b>  *Vet to Vet – 1800	Serving 1730 – 1930 <b>15</b> <b>Commander's Fish Fry</b> \$10.00  <b>Open to the Public</b>	<b>16</b> Smoked Porkchop Sandwich \$5.00 Serving 1200 – 1730  Open 1200 - 1800
<b>17</b> <b>Souper Sunday !!!</b> Serving 1200 – 1600	<b>18</b>  Hot Dog Monday \$3.00 Chips & Fixin's 1800-2100 EUCHRE – Free – for - ALL	<b>19</b>  Meeting V.F.W. 1800 V.F.W. Auxiliary 1800	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b>  *Vet to Vet – 1800	Serving 1730 – 1930 <b>22</b> <b>! Tenderloins !</b>  \$10 \$10 \$10 \$10 \$10 <b>Open to the Public</b>	<b>23</b> Smoked Porkchop Sandwich \$5.00 Serving 1200 – 1730  Open 1200 - 1800
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Telephone (812) 339-2 375

(\*Vet-to-Vet at IVY Tech, 200 Daniels Way - room B123 – Check <http://www.vetovetbloomington.com/> to confirm location)

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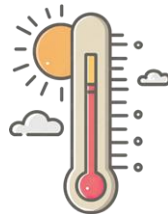
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**Friday August 1<sup>st</sup>**  
**Baked Potato Bar &  
Salad Bar \$10.00** 1730 – 1930



*Hot Dog Monday - Mondays  
Smoked Porkchop Sandwich - Saturdays  
Souper Sunday - Sundays*

**Friday August 8<sup>th</sup>**  
**Pulled Pork Sandwiches  
\$10.00** 1730 – 1930



**Friday August 15<sup>th</sup>**  
**Commander's Fish Fry  
\$10.00** 1730 – 1930



**Friday August 22<sup>nd</sup>**  
**Pork Tenderloin Sandwich  
\$10.00** 1730 – 1930

**Friday August 29<sup>th</sup>**  
**All You Can Eat Tacos  
\$10.00** 1730 – 1930