

VFW Post 604 News



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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

This year is suddenly coming to an end, here it is already December. So begins Holiday get togethers with friends and family, possibly the warmth of a fireplace crackling as the snow softly falls outside your window, (unless you are one of those that migrated to Florida for the season).

The Post will not be serving any meals throughout the December Holiday season as many of our volunteers will not be available to assist, so a limited bar menu as well as Charcuterie Plates will be available. They will include different meat, cheese, crackers and relish combinations for just \$3.00. We will have the Post 604 Christmas Party on Saturday the 13th at 1700 till... It will be a pitch in- the Post will provide the ham and turkey. There will be a signup sheet on the board for any of your favorite side dishes you would like to share.

We will be open on Friday December 26th at 1600. And don't forget about the New Year's Eve Party, Wednesday December 31st from 4pm till midnight. It's a pitch in vittles kind of evening... Let's bring in the New Year together.

Have a safe & warm Holiday...Commander Out... ❖

Commander – Dale Blubaugh

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VFW Auxiliary

Happy holiday season to you all! It's a time to reflect on how fortunate we have been and ways that we can help those less fortunate.

It's not too late to get your membership dues in! Feel free to drop them off at the Post or mail them. Thanks in advance.

We will not be serving official Friday night meals in December but look forward to restarting them in January. The Post will of course remain open and food can be ordered off the bar menu.

December 6th is our Children's Christmas Party from 10am – noon for children through age 11. If your kiddo is attending, please let us know by December 1st as Santa's Helpers are going shopping on December 2nd. There will be light snacks, fun, games and a visit from Santa with a gift for each of the kids. Members and their families are invited.

There is a Christmas tree in the lobby at the Post for anyone to decorate who wishes to donate hats, scarves or mittens. These will be given out to kids at Arlington Heights and Fairview Elementary schools in mid-December.

Our Meet and Greet at the new VA Clinic was a great success despite the early morning snow and ice. We hope to do this again soon! Thank you to those who donated their time and goodies.

Our veterans raffle basket that Karen Cain donated was won by Robin New. Thanks to all who bought tickets. These monies were donated to "Hope For Warriors".

The Wreaths Across America Ceremony this year will be held at the Elks Lodge December 13th at 10:30.

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Membership

As of this writing, we still have 32 annual members who have not renewed their membership in either the VFW or the VFW Auxiliary. For these, their current membership expires on December 31st.

Membership is important to us. The V.F.W. and its Auxiliary are the lifeblood of our post.

If you know of someone desiring to join our ranks, please do not hesitate to contact one of our officers. Annual membership renewal forms are mailed to each V.F.W. and Auxiliary member. Please pay dues per the directions contained in the renewal form or leave them with the bartender at the post.



Date	Member Drawn	\$Pot\$	Result
10/31	Closed		(license issues)
11/07	Closed		(license issues)
11/14	William Sills II	\$482	Not Signed
11/21	Daniel Deckard	\$553	Not Signed
11/28	Robville C Vernon	\$604	Not Signed

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

2025-2026 VFW Post 604 Officers

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

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The lodge is located at 400 N Walnut St in Bloomington. Multiple agencies worked together to raise money to place wreaths on veterans' graves in cemeteries across our area.

Monthly drawing- Kathy Hendrix- NS/NP

Again, I wish you a wonderful holiday season. Stay safe and warm. If you or a loved one is ill, I wish you health. If you've lost a loved one, I wish you comfort and peace at this hard time.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year! �

Carol Rowan-Ozug – Auxiliary President (812)325-3377

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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







Christmas Pitch-in Dinner

Saturday - December 13th from 1700 -

Come join us in celebrating the holidays.

Post will provide Ham & Turkey, all others bring a covered dish or dessert.

Laurens B. Strain – VFW Post 604

DECEMBER 2025 ** **





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1200 - 1800	1200 - 2100	CLOSED	CLOSED	CLOSED	1600 - 2200	1200 - 1800
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
ARE NOT FORGOTH	Hot Dog Monday \$3.00 Chips & Fixin's 1800-2100 EUCHRE – Free – for - ALL	2	3	*Vet to Vet - 1800	BAR MENU Open to the Public	10:00 - NOON Kids' Christmas Party
Souper Sunday !!! Serving 1200 – 1600	Hot Dog Monday \$3.00 Chips & Fixin's	9	10	*Vet to Vet – 1800	BAR MENU Open to the Public	13
Souper Sunday !!! Serving 1200 – 1600	Free – for - ALL 15 Hot Dog Monday \$3.00 Chips & Fixin's 1800-2100 EUCHRE – Free – for - ALL	Meeting V.F.W. 1800 V.F.W. Auxiliary 1800	17	*Vet to Vet - 1800	BAR MENU Open to the Public	Christmas Ditch-in - 1700 20 Smoked Porkchop Sandwich \$5.00 Serving 1200 - 1730
Souper Sunday !!! Serving 1200 – 1600 WINTER ARRIVES		23	24	Merry Christmas	BAR MENU Open to the Public	27 Smoked Porkchop Sandwich \$5.00 Serving 1200 - 1730
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