
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

Hi! This summer is moving right along. It's hard to keep up with everything that is going on. The 4th of July parade went off without a hitch, even though it was very hot. I want to thank everyone who participated and made its success possible.

We have some events coming up at the Post, so check our calendar so you won't miss anything. On July 15th, I attended the 7th District meeting in Whiteland. One of the things that was addressed during the meeting is the location of the 7th District meetings for the year. I made a bid and we were given the meeting for the 7th of October. So mark your calendar to come out for the meeting and support your Post.

Don't forget to come out and sign up for the Commanders Drawing and have a cool drink while you are there. The canteen has some changes coming up in August so checkout what they are doing. Be sure and come out and support the Ladies Auxiliary bingo. They have some good things going on and good food also.

The post is only as good as its members make it. Come out and join us to make it the best Post in the State.

God bless our troops, our Veterans, the U.S.A. and all of our members and families.

Commander - Joe Hardin

Renewing Membership

Your continued membership is important to us. 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. If you do not receive a renewal notice, please contact the Post 604 Quartermaster or one of your club officers for assistance. ❖

Post 604 Ladies Auxiliary

As we start the new year we would like to let you know the winner of this year's PATRIOT'S PEN contest was. Lydia G. Macfarlan (Sponsored by Post and Auxiliary #1674), The VOICE OF DEMOCRACY winner was Elizabeth Scannell (Sponsored by Post and Auxiliary # 10256). It's now time to get started for the coming year. If you need information on these programs you can call the Post or me (Emma Williams) at (812)876-3676. We received 18 Certificates of Appreciation awards and \$76.25 in money. Thanks to everyone who helped me.

Please see the pictures on page 4 of the Poppy Chairman a few years back. Elizabeth Blackburn with the little Red Wagon she had made from over 400 Poppy's was put on the wagon it was sent to State for judging, it was for Riley Children's Hospital. We have asked her to be Chairman again this year.

The 7th District Buddy Poppy's plan for September is to decorate a broom any size. November -decorate a Christmas tree or Thanksgiving centerpiece. January: a Wagon or mail box. March: A yard decoration or a Chicken centerpiece... we have to get busy now.

Ladies mark your calendar for October 7th the Post is having the District Meeting at the Post. We will need help with the food; getting it ready, putting it out, and cleaning up. It would be nice to have some baked cakes, pies, cookies from our bakers. Come on ladies & men show your talents in cooking! There could be a prize for this.

We have been getting several members dues in, let's help the Treasure out by paying early this year. Bingo participation is picking up with new people are coming in. They comment on how friendly everyone is to them, while playing bingo and making dollar\$ at the same time. ❖

Janet Williams, President VFW Ladies Auxiliary



VFW 7th District Riders

Mark your calendar **August 25, 2012**, VFW will be hosting a benefit ride. You need not be a member of the VFW to participate in this fundraiser. The ride will be visiting surrounding VFW Posts, ending at the Clay City VFW.

Registration will be held at the Brazil VFW Post located at 303 S. Depot Avenue starting at 9:00A.M. The ride will leave at noon. Cost of the ride is \$10.00 per rider and \$5.00 per passenger. Proceeds for the ride will go towards the Indiana Veterans Home Visitor Unit's renovation.

Serving biscuits and gravy for \$3.00 starting at 9:00 A.M.

Contact Jennifer at (812) 236-4403 for more information.

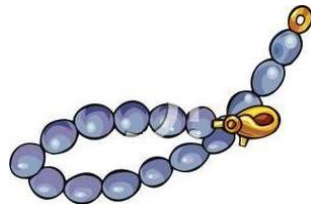
FRIDAY NIGHT FOOD!!!

Starting August 3rd (**Friday Night**) we will have the kitchen open from 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. to begin with. Basically we will be offering sandwiches at first to see how the response goes. Please review the menu elsewhere in this newsletter. Further down the road we will look at having occasional specials on Friday Night such as Steak or Spaghetti Night or ??????. You have a question don't you?? The answer is Steve Wade, yes the notorious Air Force dude (House Committee Member also) will be doing our cooking. We also anticipate coaxing ????? Lori (Steve's wife) into doing some of the specials for us—we know she's a really good cook—no offense Steve!! Participation is the **KEY** to this whole adventure, so come on out, grab a sandwich, beverage, listen to Brad Harris on the guitar, and enjoy!!

Now onto **NASCAR SUNDAY!!** This month we are going to be at Michigan International Speedway, on August 19th, race starts at 12:00 p.m. and instead of having a specific meal we are going to just open the kitchen. Same menu as the one on Friday nights, serving from 12:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. The Post will be **OPEN** from Noon to 6:00 p.m. We have been having a nice fun time on these Sundays so if you haven't been to one then you ought to give it a try!!

Also, Kelly Olsen has held several Jewelry Parties on Friday nights, downstairs by invitation only, however, during conversation with her, she would like to invite any Post 604 member to come on downstairs, play some Bingo for jewelry prizes and look her items over. From what we have seen she sells some pretty nice things. Her next party is August 3rd (Friday night) from 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. <--- Check out her Blingo Bingo article in this newsletter. ❖

House Committee



Lia Sophia Blingo Bingo!!!

Come join us **Friday August 3rd @ 6:30 p.m.** for fun, prizes and amazing jewelry. Play 10 rounds of bingo where jewelry is the prize. Shop an Amazing line of fashionable jewelry by Lia Sophia. Lia Sophia is a **U.S.** based jewelry company who prides themselves on great quality, customer service and outstanding hostess and customer benefits. No entry fee required. Feel free to bring friends!

www.liasophia.com/kellyolsen

Kelly Olsen
812-327-2923



Friday Evening 5 - 8PM

Thursday & Saturday

August 19th open Noon - 6:00 P.M.

Laurens B. Strain – VFW Post 604

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Closed	Open 1600 - 2200	Open 1600 - 2200	Open 1600 - 2200	Open 1600 - 2200	Open 1600 - 2200	Open 1000 - 2200
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1	2 1990 Iraq invades Kuwait Bingo – 1730	3 Blingo Bingo 5PM - 8PM  Commander's Drawing 1900 Brad Harris Entertains 1900	4 U.S. Coast Guard Day ALL DAY \$1.25 Beer Bingo – 1430
5	6 1945 A-Bombing Hiroshima * Vet to Vet – 1900	7 1942 Guadalcanal Invasion 1964 Gulf of Tonkin Resolution	8 1974 Richard Nixon Resigns	9	10  Commander's Drawing 1900 Brad Harris Entertains 1900	11 ALL DAY \$1.25 Beer Bingo – 1430
12	13 * Vet to Vet – 1900	14 VJ Day	15 1969 Woodstock Opens	16	17  Commander's Drawing 1900 Brad Harris Entertains 1900	18 ALL DAY \$1.25 Beer Bingo – 1430
19 1981 Libya. 1 st Gulf of Sidra Incident Pure Michigan 400  Open 12:00 - 1800	20 * Vet to Vet – 1900	21 Meetings V.F.W. – 1800 Men's Aux – 1800 Ladies Aux – 1800	22	23 Bingo – 1730	24  Commander's Drawing 1900 Brad Harris Entertains 1900	25 ALL DAY \$1.25 Beer Bingo – 1430
26	27 * Vet to Vet – 1900	28	29	30 1995 Operation Deliberate Force Bingo - 1730	31  Commander's Drawing 1900 Brad Harris Entertains 1900	

(* For Vet-to-Vet Held at IVY Tech, 200 Daniels Way room A118 – Check website <http://www.vetovetbloomington.com/> to confirm location)

Telephone Number (812) 339-2375

Bingo License # 128637

Raffle License # 127960



Jim Smith in July 4th Parade

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Aside from saving a tree and reducing production costs to the Post, you will likely receive it days earlier as it will be emailed to you when it is sent to the printers.

Mark Dammer - Quartermaster



John Tilford, Commander Hardin and Grandson Joseph



Elizabeth Blackburn – 1994 Poppy Chairman

Post Operations

VFW Post operations and the operations of the Post's Men's and Ladies Auxiliaries are the business of the respective organizations. Generally, the specifics of the three organizations are not shared outside their membership. If you have interest in your organization's operations and you are a member in good standing, you are encouraged to attend these meetings.

Member participation is important as introducing meeting agenda items and participating in discussion is not restricted to just elected and appointed officers. Protocol at each meeting is similar in theme and contains discussion in the following areas:

- Review of membership applications
- Review of previous months expenses
- Voting on future expenditures
- Service Officer report
- New business
- Discussion for the good of the order
- Discussion relating to members in distress

Meetings are on the third Tuesday of each month at 6:00 P.M.



Poppy Wagon

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604 Canteen – Friday Dinner Menu

Serving Fridays 1700 - 2000

Appetizers & Sides

Battered Onion Rings.....	\$2.00
Chicken Strips/Fries	\$4.50
Cole Slaw	\$1.75
Cottage Cheese.....	\$1.50
French Fries	\$1.75
Potato Salad.....	\$1.75
Seasoned Waffle Fries	\$2.00

Sandwiches

Breaded Chicken Sandwich	\$4.25
Breaded Pork Tenderloin.....	\$4.75
Cheeseburger	\$3.50
Chili Dog.....	\$2.50
Double Cheeseburger.....	\$4.75
Fish Sandwich	\$5.25
Grilled Cheese.....	\$2.75
Grilled Pork Tenderloin.....	\$4.25
Hamburger.....	\$3.25
Patty Melt.....	\$4.00
Philly Cheese Steak.....	\$5.00
Steak Sandwich.....	\$4.50

All Sandwiches served with Pickle and Chips
 Add Cheese/Deluxe for \$.25 each

Please Support Bingo



Conducted by V.F.W. Ladies Auxiliary

Thursday – Sales open 5:30PM – Play starts 6:30PM
 Saturday – Sales open 2:30PM – Play starts 3:30PM

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