

VFW POST 604 NEWS

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September 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

The Gateway to Autumn is upon us, Football and cooler weather and the beautiful end to summer's heat, although I am not ready for jacket weather just yet...

This month's Commander's Dinner will be Hand Breaded Chicken Fingers w/mashed potatoes & gravy and green beans with homemade yeast rolls - for \$10.00. (Don't let these poor chickens give up their fingers for nothing...) Cooler weather will bring more soups to Sundays, please let Kenya know of any requests you may have. Thanks again for everyone that comes and volunteers their time and efforts to keep our post in operating order, without volunteers we would be in all kinds of trouble..... Hope to see you soon at the Post - Thank you all!!!!!! Commander Out... ❖

Dates to keep in mind in September include;

- National Suicide Prevention Month
- Labor Day September 1st
- V-J Day (Victory over Japan) September 2nd
- Patriot Day (9-11) September 11th
- Air Force (USAF) Birthday September 18th
- National POW / MIA Recognition Day September 19th
- First day of Autumn September 22nd
- VFW Day September 29th

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VFW Auxiliary

I hope you all have enjoyed your (HOT!!) summer and are looking forward to the fall. As always, we've been busy here at the Post.

I know it's early, but please put our Children's Halloween party on your calendar. It will be a bit different this year. First off, it will be Sunday 10/26 from 12-4. We are inviting children / grandchildren of our members and any friends they might have who would like to come. We will have a signup sheet at the Post soon or you can get a hold of me. But what's really exciting is we will also be having a chili cook off that day. Proceeds from that fund raiser will go to "Hope For Warriors" which is our VFWA Department President's Special Project this year. Please come out and support us! Chilis will be marked as to heat, so no one gets an unhappy surprise (like me!).

We also have plans to do a Meet & Greet at the VA on 11/13 which happens to be the Marine birthday. Hopefully they'll be in their new building by then.

As a reminder, the VFWA does offer scholarships for veterans, spouses and their kids.

Our VFW National Home trip will be 9/21. We're so excited to go and be able to participate in the Parade of Checks that day. So far, we have a bit over \$500 to present. This is all from your very generous donations into the "little blue house" on the bar. So far in the past 12 months, we have collected almost \$1,000. Thank you seems inadequate for all that our members have donated.

It's that time again! Karen has sent out dues renewal letters- to also include ways to donate to Wreaths Across America, VFW National Home, Poppies and the kids Christmas party. If you're an

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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


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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
07/25	Stephen Cooley	\$221	Not Signed
08/01	Terry Hudson	\$252	Not Signed
08/08	Mike Pogue	\$153	 Signed/Not Present
08/15	Krystal Holmgren	\$202	Not Signed
08/22	Glenda Parrish	\$264	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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annual member, please consider becoming a life member. It is more expensive, but that's it! No more annual fees!

If you are getting the newsletter by mail, if you're able, please consider getting it through email. We'd like to cut our mailing costs if possible. Or if you no longer wish to receive it at all, please feel free to call, text or email me.

We've had requests to bring lasagna back so it will be on 9/5, pulled pork nachos with all the fixings will be on 9/12, and our beloved tenderloins on 9/26. As before, our meals will be \$10. A great deal, especially since they include our wonderful desserts! Please consider coming out for dinner on Friday nights and bring some friends and family!

The photo below is of all the awards and commendations our VFWA received at the district meeting in July. We also received cash awards that Karen tells me were the largest amount our Auxiliary has received in her time as treasurer. Sure is something to be proud of!



If you'd like to help with anything going on with our auxiliary, please contact me and I will get you to the correct chairperson. We're always happy to see new faces!

Drawing 9/19/25- Deanna Demes- NP/NS

I wish you health and peace. ❖

Carol Rowan-Ozug – Auxiliary President
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September 2025

1200 - 1800 Sunday	1200 - 2100 Monday	CLOSED Tuesday	CLOSED Wednesday	CLOSED Thursday	1600 - 2200 Friday	1200 - 1800 Saturday
	 1 Hot Dog Monday \$3.00 Chips & Fixin's 1800-2100 EUCHRE – Free – for - ALL	2	3	4 *Vet to Vet – 1800	Serving 1730 – 1930 5 VFW Auxiliary's Lasagna \$10.00 Open to the Public	6 Smoked Porkchop Sandwich \$5.00 Serving 1200 – 1730 Open 1200 - 1800
7 Souper Sunday !!! Serving 1200 – 1600	 8 Hot Dog Monday \$3.00 Chips & Fixin's 1800-2100 EUCHRE – Free – for - ALL	9	10	 11 PATRIOT DAY NATIONAL DAY REMEMBRANCE *Vet to Vet – 1800	Serving 1730 – 1930 12 VFW Auxiliary's Pulled Pork Nachos & Fixin's \$10.00 Open to the Public	13 Smoked Porkchop Sandwich \$5.00 Serving 1200 – 1730 Open 1200 - 1800
14 Souper Sunday !!! Serving 1200 – 1600	 15 Hot Dog Monday \$3.00 Chips & Fixin's 1800-2100 EUCHRE – Free – for - ALL	16 Meeting V.F.W. 1800 V.F.W. Auxiliary 1800	17	18 *Vet to Vet – 1800	Serving 1730 – 1930 19 Commander's Hand Breaded Chicken Fingers, Mashed Potatoes & Gravy \$10.00 Open to the Public	20 Smoked Porkchop Sandwich \$5.00 Serving 1200 – 1730 Open 1200 - 1800
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Moving forward, you'll only receive the newsletter via email at the start of each month. It will also be available on our VFW Post 604 Facebook page and our website <http://vfw-604.org/7464/index.html>.

If you have not received this September issue via email, it is important you update your information by emailing us at main@vfw-604.org.