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# 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

They tell us that spring is here, but you could of fooled me. This goofy weather is kind of upside down. Hopefully things will break loose before long, and we can get to more comfortable weather. Just think, Memorial Day will be here before you know it.

Speaking of Memorial Day, we will be having our Memorial Day Ceremony at Valhalla as normal this year and not a scaled down version. The Memorial will start at 10:00 am with the Bloomington Community Band playing at 9:30 am. There will be a shuttle to take everyone from the parking area to the Veterans Memorial. You might want to consider taking a folding chair, as there is no seating available. Immediately afterwards we will have a "Open House" at the Post for all that attend. We will provide lunch like we have in the past. We've not made a complete decision on exactly what we will serve, but I know we'll have ham & beans with cornbread and we will have other fixin's to go with it. So, if you don't care for ham & beans you'll have another choice.

We held our nominations for Officers last month and with no contested positions, we held the vote. We elected the Officers at our meeting in April and we're set for 2022-2023. The new positions take effect in June. It's the usual suspects, just shuffled around a little.

The Motley Fishing Crew survived another trip to Kentucky Lake. Not much to report other than the wind and rain while we were there. We couldn't get out of the bay until Thursday, but the bay is bigger than some of the lakes around here, so you still were able to fish. Check out our picture.

Well our Friday dinners are back on schedule. The Auxiliary did a great job of coming to the rescue with their "All You Can Eat Tacos". They were really good. I'll be gone for Steak Night this month, but Joe Hardin is filling in

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## VFW Auxiliary

Hope everyone is enjoying what we hope is Spring, now in the Air. Officer elections are complete, and all our current officers are staying in place with the exception of one new Trustee. Thank you, Toni Kristoff, for stepping forward and helping in this role.

An apology is needed. Last month I was trying to be funny when I said no auxiliary members were invited on the fishing trip, I was wrong, there were several that went, so my apologies. Hope the annual fishing trip was a success, you were all missed.

The Friday Night meals are wonderful, we appreciate the members and guests as well as some new faces joining us. Our Friday meals are open to the public, **let your friends know**, serving is 6 P.M. to 8 P.M. or until the prepared meals run out. AND the desserts are awesome. Thank you to our members that provide them each week.

As of this writing, we have submitted to Department of IN. 3 new member applications and one transfer into Post 604's Auxiliary. This will leave us needing only 2 for goal of 184. I believe we will meet this goal and go over by June 15<sup>th</sup>. If you have someone that would like to join, there is an envelope on the bulletin board with auxiliary membership applications, please feel free to take one, and please don't hesitate to call Karen Cain 812-327-1944 with questions. If you would like to volunteer, please call me 812-345-9025.

Our new room in the basement is complete, Steve White did an excellent job in building it. We now have an office for our new laptop and records, all in one place. Thank you, Steve.

Don't forget to mark your calendars for Memorial Day, Monday, May 30<sup>th</sup>, after the ceremony, we will have our annual free Beans and cornbread and fixin's, open to

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for me. He's cooked a lot of steaks at the Post over the years, so he's an old hand at it.

Just a reminder about our 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary dinner on Saturday 18 June. We have shirts, hats, and koozies coming, that will be for sale. Should have everything in by mid-May.

Well, that it for this month. Hope everyone is doing well. See you at the Post. ❖

"Come On Down" See you at the post !

**Commander – George Kristoff**  
812-327-6540  
georgek@bluemarble.net

## COMMANDER'S DRAWING



### April Results

Date	Member Drawn	\$Pot\$	Result
03/25	Thomas Collier	\$454	Not Signed
04/01	Mary Campfield	\$501	Not Signed
04/08	Marsha May	\$259	Signed/Not Present
04/15	Kathryn Bickley	\$316	Not Signed

\$1 to play – Sign – Who wins, who knows? Be here Friday @ 8:00 PM – if your # is drawn – get it all!

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the public, Frank Ozug always does a great job on the beans, best for miles around. Desserts welcome.

Also, don't forget to mark your calendars for the 101<sup>st</sup> Post 604 Anniversary Dinner coming up on Saturday, June 18<sup>th</sup> at the Post, this is free and open to the public, donations are welcome to help with the cost, see Commander George.

Thank you goes out to Jenny Tracy and Amy Thomas for presenting the Post and Auxiliary 604 with a plaque for participating in the 2021 Wreaths Across America. We will be sponsoring this again in 2022 so watch your mailboxes, the participation was great last year, and we hope to do the more this year. If you are interested in helping, let me know and we'll get Jenny or Amy in touch with you, we sure would be glad to have the help. Thank you.

Keep those that are sick or families of fallen members in your prayers. Prayers and Hugs to all.

**Dorothy White**  
**Auxiliary President**

## Bloody Mary Saturday

For the month of May we will be having **Bloody Mary Breakfast Drinks**. These are not your usual Bloody Mary's. It's a full breakfast. They are GOUD ! (good). Nothing like you have ever had. Penny Buttery will be will be serving them from noon until gone on the **1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday of the month of May**. And the price will be a nominal \$4.00 yes it's \$4.00. Come in and join the fun at your friendly VFW Post 604.

### Friday Dinners

Just a friendly reminder that our Friday meals start serving at 6 PM.

We have had a couple of Fridays that people have shown up at 5 PM or a little after and have tried to place orders. We don't have a full kitchen with a kitchen staff. We are all volunteers and work hard to get the dinners ready to serve at 6 PM. We don't actually start getting things ready until around 4 PM or maybe a little before, so we are stretched to make the 6 PM timeline.

Your understanding is greatly appreciated.

### We're Back on Schedule!!!!!!

1<sup>st</sup> Friday of the Month (May 6<sup>th</sup>) **Fried Chicken Night**. Dark or White Chicken with mashed potatoes, gravy and a vegetable for only \$10, yep plus desert ! Cooked by our famous Chef Barney and assisted by your Friendly Commander!

2<sup>nd</sup> Friday of the Month (Lucky May 13<sup>th</sup>) We have our **Auxiliary Fish Dinner** serving a more than generous serving of fish And would you believe just \$10.00??



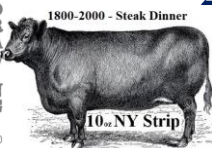




3<sup>rd</sup> Friday of the Month (May 20<sup>th</sup>) Yep, **STEAK NIGHT!!!** Serving our USDA Choice 10 oz. New York Strip with Baked Potato and Salad and Dessert <<all for just \$16.>>

4<sup>th</sup> Friday of the Month (May 27<sup>th</sup>) - Come and get it! The Auxiliary and their **Gigantic Hand-Dipped Breaded Tenderloin Sandwiches**. There are always Desserts and extras with these meals. Only **\$10.00!!!!!!**

House Committee

# Laurens B. Strain – VFW Post 604

## May 2022

Closed	Open 1200 - 2100	Closed	Closed	Closed	Open 1600 – 2200	Open 1200 - 1800
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3	4	5	6 Fried Chicken Dinner 1800 - 2000  \$10 Open to the Public	7 BLOODY MARY BREAKFAST DRINKS \$4.00 Serving Noon until gone
8 	9	10	11	12 * Vet to Vet@ VFW – 1800	13 Fish Fry 1800 - 2000  \$10 Open to the Public	14
15  LUNAR ECLIPSE	16	17 Meetings V.F.W. – 1800 V.F.W. Aux – 1800	18	19 * Vet to Vet@ VFW – 1800	20 1800-2000 - Steak Dinner  \$16 Open to the Public	21 BLOODY MARY BREAKFAST DRINKS \$4.00 Serving Noon until gone
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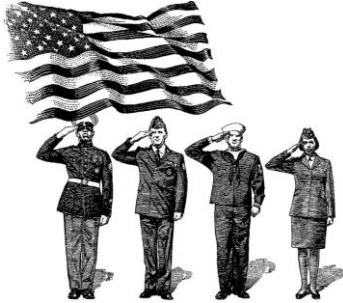
(\* For Vet-to-Vet Held at IVY Tech, 200 Daniels Way - room A118 – Check website <http://www.vetovetbloomington.com/> to confirm location)

Telephone Number (812) 339-2375

Gaming Annual Activity License # 002744

## Honor Guard Looking for Members

The Monroe County Veterans Honor Guard are looking for new members. They not only honor Veterans who have passed away, but also provide very valuable services to the families. Anyone interested in joining the Honor Guard you can contact the Post or call 812-825-2710 and leave a message.



## Memorial Day Flag Placement

We will be placing flags on the graves of our Veterans again for this Memorial Day. We will be doing the two Cemeteries in Whitehall and Ellettsville on Tuesday 24 May. We will start at 10 am. We will be doing the Cemetery at Clear Creek on Saturday 28 May. We will start at 10 am there also. Anyone willing to assist on Tuesday we will be meeting at the Post at 9:30 am. Saturday we will be meeting at the Clear Creek Cemetery parking lot at 9:30 am. Any assistance is greatly appreciated.

## 2021-2022 VFW Post 604 Officers

George Kristoff.....	Commander
Cathi Johnson.....	Sr. Vice Commander
John Martin.....	Jr. Vice Commander
Debbie Deckard.....	Quartermaster
Richard "Moe" Moldenhauer .....	Chaplain
Dewey "Joe" Hardin.....	Judge Advocate
Peter Chadwick .....	Surgeon
John Tilford .....	Service Officer
Bill Evans .....	Adjutant
Jim Edney .....	1 Yr. Trustee
Dale Blubaugh.....	2 Yr. Trustee
Scott Tincer .....	3 Yr. Trustee
Gary Demes.....	1 Yr. House Committee
Barney White .....	2 Yr. House Committee
Roy Smith .....	3 Yr. House Committee

## 2021-2022 VFW Post 604 Auxiliary Officers

Dorothy White .....	President
Mike Pipher.....	Sr. Vice President
Julie Martin .....	Jr. Vice President
Karen E. Cain .....	Secretary/Treasurer
Greg Johnson .....	Conductor
Julia Bastin .....	Chaplin
Les Martin .....	Guard
Toni Kristoff.....	Patriotic Instructor
Sandi Taylor.....	1 Yr. Trustee
Julia Bastin .....	2 Yr. Trustee
Julie Martin .....	3 Yr. Trustee

## The Motley Fishing Crew



Back Row (Pictured left to right) - Les Martin, Barney White, Scott Tincer, John Martin, Bill Evans, "Moe" Moldenhauer  
 Front Row (Pictured left to right) - Joseph Hardin, Joe Hardin, Frank Ozug, George Kristoff, Greg Johnson

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**Friday's May 6<sup>th</sup>**  
(1800 - 2000)  
**\$10.00**

Fried Chicken Dinner 1800 - 2000



**May 13<sup>th</sup>**  
**\$10.00**

Fish Fry 1800 - 2000



**May 27<sup>th</sup>**  
(1800 - 2000)  
**\$10.00**



10 oz New York Strip, Baked Potato & More

**May 20<sup>th</sup> - 6:00 till 8:00 PM**  
**\$16.00 - \$16.00 - \$16.00 - \$16.00**

**Steak Night**

