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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

Opening day is getting closer. My goal was to open on Monday 14 June. The way things are flowing it will be impossible. We need time to get the entire building put back together and the last thing I want is to announce an opening date and not make it. After discussing this with the membership at our May meeting we have decided to have the reopening on Monday 5 July. This will give us ample time to get everything in place. I am guessing that we will open with the same schedule that we had when we closed, however, we will announce in the next newsletter the days we will be open, and times. The bright side is that the bar will now be open and the mask mandate has been rescinded, for the most part. As for food, we will have our bar menu to start out with along with pizzas. Not sure about the Friday Night Dinners at this point.

I was in the Post today and things are looking good. I couldn't believe the difference the new paint and flooring made in the downstairs. It brightened up the entire room considerably. It really looks good. The upstairs is coming along slowly but surely. I was hoping that it would progress faster, but you have to go with the flow. The flooring people are taking a lot of time prepping the floor prior to laying the tile, which is a good thing. They are doing a lot of leveling so the tile won't be popping up down the road and that does add to the amount of time that it takes.

## VFW Auxiliary

Hopefully, we will be able to have our monthly meeting on June 15<sup>th</sup>. It has been kind of a different year and can't wait to get back to normal. Sharron Barger will be here to install the 2021 - 2022 Officers.

The VFW Auxiliary Department of Indiana State Convention will be held June 3<sup>rd</sup> through June 6<sup>th</sup> at the Indianapolis Marriott East Conference Center. All VFW Auxiliary Officers are delegates, if anyone would like to attend, please let Karen know and she will get your delegate card to you. You will have to have the delegate card in order to register, this also gives you the right to vote.

The VFW Action Corp is an e-newsletter and published every Friday. It is to keep Americans informed of important changes and updates to care and benefits for service members, veterans, and their families. You can go to [vfw.org/advocacy/grassroots-efforts/vfw-action-corps-weekly](http://vfw.org/advocacy/grassroots-efforts/vfw-action-corps-weekly) to read, print a copy or sign up for the newsletter to be sent to your email weekly. They have a great archive if there is a special article you are looking for. Take a look, it's very informative.

Hopefully, our Post will be reopening in July, hope to see you all then. ❖

**Dorothy J White**  
**Auxiliary President**  
(812) 345-9025 (Cell)

**Commander** ..... *From Page 1*

Then it has to be sealed and waxed, which adds to the time also. The carpet should go quickly. It won't be nearly as time consuming as the dining room, bar, and kitchen.

I mentioned this a few months ago, but when we re-open we will need volunteers to help. We need bartenders, help cooking, running dinners, selling pull tabs, 50-50 tickets, and a host of other things. It can really be a lot of fun. If you could spare one day a week, every other week, or once a month it would help. We're down to the bare bones and if it wasn't for the fact that we are a Volunteer Post, between COVID and the water line break, we would more than likely be closed for good. I've said this many times, that there are a lot of things we could do to get people to come to the Post, but we need bodies to do it.

Keep an eye on our Facebook page for updates. I have been trying to update it as things progress. Good Lord willing and the creeks don't rise I'll see you at the Post the 5<sup>th</sup> of July !

**Commander – George Kristoff**  
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### Post 604 Offers Grief Support Bible Study

The Grief Support Bible Study is continuing to meet weekly at the Calvary Baptist Church on Tuesday at 1 PM. This is a temporary location until the Post is able to reopen. This will be an hourlong session that will continue on a weekly basis. It is open to the public and not limited to veteran's or post members. It will be conducted by our Chaplin, Pastor Brian Stewart. For more information call 812-369-1046.

### Honor Guard Looking for Members

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

### 2021-2022 VFW Post 604 Auxiliary Officers

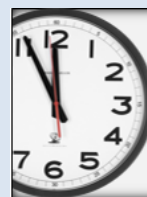
Dorothy White ..... President  
Mike Pipher ..... Sr. Vice President  
Julie Martin ..... Jr. Vice President  
Karen E. Cain ..... Secretary/Treasurer  
Greg Johnson ..... Conductor  
Julia Bastin ..... Chaplin  
Les Martin ..... Guard  
Toni Kristoff..... Patriotic Instructor  
Sandi Taylor..... 1 Yr.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

### 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  
Terry Carmichael..... 2 Yr. Trustee  
Dale Blubaugh..... 3 Yr. Trustee

Gary Demes..... 1 Yr. House Committee  
Barney White ..... 2 Yr. House Committee  
Roy Smith ..... 3 Yr. House Committee

## REOPENING 5 JULY 2021



**HOURS OF  
OPERATION**

### Depends on Building Repairs

Repairs nearing completion, see Facebook VFW Post 604 for latest.

Monday            Noon to    9 pm  
Friday             4 pm to    10 pm  
Saturday          12 pm to   6 pm

Final decision on hours in our next newsletter, stay tuned !

# Laurens B. Strain – VFW Post 604

## June 2021

Closed <b>Sunday</b>	Closed <b>Monday</b>	Closed <b>Tuesday</b>	Closed <b>Wednesday</b>	Closed <b>Thursday</b>	Closed <b>Friday</b>	Closed <b>Saturday</b>
		<b>1</b> CLOSED	<b>2</b> CLOSED	<b>3</b> CLOSED  * Vet to Vet@ VFW – 1800	<b>4</b> CLOSED	<b>5</b> CLOSED
<b>6</b> CLOSED	<b>7</b> CLOSED	<b>8</b> CLOSED	<b>9</b> CLOSED	<b>10</b> CLOSED  * Vet to Vet@ VFW – 1800	<b>11</b> CLOSED	<b>12</b> CLOSED
<b>13</b> CLOSED	<b>14</b> CLOSED	<b>15</b> CLOSED Meetings V.F.W. – 1800 V.F.W. Aux. – 1800	<b>16</b> CLOSED	<b>17</b> CLOSED  * Vet to Vet@ VFW – 1800	<b>18</b> CLOSED	<b>19</b> CLOSED
	<b>21</b> CLOSED	<b>22</b> CLOSED	<b>23</b> CLOSED	<b>24</b> CLOSED  * Vet to Vet@ VFW – 1800	<b>25</b> CLOSED	<b>26</b> CLOSED
<b>27</b> CLOSED	<b>28</b> CLOSED	<b>29</b> CLOSED	<b>30</b> CLOSED	 		

(\* For Vet-to-Vet Held at Thursday Evenings at 1800 at VFW Post 604's back deck – Check website <http://www.vetovetbloomington.com/> to confirm location)

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**Gaming Annual Activity License # 002744**

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Post repairs are nearing completion !!!  
– We plan to re-open on July 5<sup>th</sup> –

**RE-OPENING SOON**