
VFW POST 604 NEWS

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September 2021

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

We've been open for a little over a month now and we're starting to get our ducks in a row. We're only open 3 days a week, but for now it's working well. As we feel our way into the future, we will decide on possible future days to open.

We are going to start our dinners this month. We were looking at moving them to Saturday, but after much consideration we have decided to keep them on Friday, like we have always done in the past. We are starting out with the Auxiliary Fish Night on Friday September 10th and Commander's Steak Night on Friday September 17th. Last, but not least, Giant Tenderloin Sunday is coming back on Sunday September 19th. The first and fourth Friday for October will be decided later. Prices have had to increase due to the increase in cost of product. As everyone is aware of, everything has increased significantly. Then there is the issue of being able to get the product. There's a separate article on this in the newsletter with all the details and prices for the meals.

We will start the Commanders Drawing back up again, also. The first one will be on our Fish Night and the second one will be on Steak Night. There will be two for the month of September. I will announce how we will proceed from there in the October Newsletter. One thing to note is that we will move the time from 7:00 pm to 8:00 pm. It makes it hard to do the drawing while we are trying to serve food, especially on Steak Night.

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VFW Auxiliary

We will be hosting Wreaths Across America this year at Rose Hill Cemetery with American Legion Auxiliary Unit #18. Jenny Tracy and Sandi Taylor will be coordinating this project by leading the VFW Auxiliary sponsorship group. National Wreaths Across America Day will be held at Rose Hill Cemetery on December 18, 2021. The goal is to place a live balsam fir wreath at the headstone of every veteran. If you purchase 2 wreaths a third wreath is given to the organization. Please make checks payable to WAA. If you wish to purchase a wreath you can do so by contacting Karen Cain at 812-327-1944. If you would like to volunteer to help on Dec. 18th, please let me or Karen know.

2022 membership dues are being accepted and are due by 12/31/21. Dues remain at \$30 for this year. We will also be sending out dues reminders within the next couple weeks. You might want to consider a lifetime membership, any questions? Call Karen Cain.

September Events:

- 10th – Friday Night Fish Fry – 6 PM 'til we run out
- 12th – 7th District meeting 10:30 a.m. dinner will be pulled pork, baked beans, potato salad, and desserts (desserts will be needed, please let me know if you can bring one.
- 19th – NASCAR Sunday Tenderloin – 12 to 4 only, call in orders accepted
- 21st – Auxiliary Meeting and District Audit 6 PM

See you all at the Post. ❖

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

We will be hosting the District Meeting on Sunday September 12th. This will be the first District Meeting that we have held in 3 years. It's always a good day for any Post that hosts this event. It brings in people from all over central Indiana. We're expecting at least 100 people between the Post members and the Auxiliary. The last time our Post was packed and several from up north didn't make it because they were snowed in. Should be a good day for us.

I didn't mention it in the last newsletter, because our articles were due before the events took place. The Cloven Hoofs Motorcycle Club hosted two events in July. They left from our Post and returned also. The second Ride was held at the end of July due to a cancelation last June, due to weather. They raised a considerable amount and donated to our Post. I would personally like to thank them for their generosity. They frequent our Post and a great group. We enjoy having them.

Out 1st Year House Committee Officer Gary Demes is having a 80th Birthday Bash on Wednesday September 29th. His family has reserved the Post. All Post and Auxiliary members are invited plus one guest. Details are in a separate article. Happy Birthday Gary !

Well, that's it for now. We've had a good month after opening and things are looking up going forward. It's been a rough year and a half, but we made it through without too many bruises. Hope everybody stays safe and healthy. ❖

See you at the Post !

Commander – George Kristoff
(812) 327-6540 (Cell)

The AMVETS Vet Van

A new service for Veterans is provided by AMVETS Post 2000 in Bloomington. The service will transport Veterans to and from Medical Appointments. Whether it be a check-up, physical or any medical related procedure. Any Veteran can utilize the service and does not have to be a member of a Veterans Organization. Appointments should be made between 10:00 am and 3:00 pm weekdays only. For more information or to make an appointment contact, Jim Webb 812-269-0960.

POST 604 is Starting - Meals Back Up !!!!!

Our **Auxiliary FRIDAY FISH FRY** on the **2nd Friday** of the month (**September 10th**) – A fish platter!! Lotsa Fish, French Fries, Cole slaw and Desert. And would you believe just \$10?? From there we go to our **3rd Friday of the Month - Commanders STEAK NIGHT (September 17th)** A 10 oz. Ribeye with Baked Potato and Salad and Dessert all for just **\$17. And cooked by your friendly VFW Post 604 Commander!**

TENDERLOIN SUNDAY on the **19th of September** which is a great meal, great price, and great fun!! Only \$9. We will **OPEN at NOON**, and of course this is being brought to you by **The Auxiliary** and their **Gigantic Hand-Dipped Breaded Tenderloin Sandwiches.**

There are always Desserts and extras with these meals.

House Committee










SEPTEMBER 2021

HOURS OF OPERATION

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

Laurens B. Strain – VFW Post 604

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Closed Sunday	Open 1200 - 2100 Monday	Closed Tuesday	Closed Wednesday	Closed Thursday	Open 1600 - 2200 Friday	Open 1200 - 1800 Saturday
			1 CLOSED	2 CLOSED	3 Open to the Public Open 1600 – 2200	4 Open 1200 - 1800
5 CLOSED	6  Open 1200 - 2100	7 CLOSED	8 CLOSED	9 CLOSED	10 Fish Fry 1800 - 2000  Open to the Public Open 1600 – 2200 Commander's Drawing 2000	11 Open 1200 - 1800
12  1030 - 7 th District Meetings	13 Open 1200 - 2100	14 CLOSED	15 CLOSED	16 CLOSED	17 Rib Eye Dinner 1800 - 2000  Open to the Public Open 1600 – 2200 Commander's Drawing 2000	18 Open 1200 - 1800
19 !!!Tenderloins!!!  Open 1200 – 1600	20 Open 1200 - 2100	21 CLOSED Meetings V.F.W. – 1800 V.F.W. Aux. – 1800	22  CLOSED <i>Fall begins</i>	23 CLOSED	24 Open to the Public Open 1600 – 2200	25 Open 1200 - 1800
26 CLOSED	27 Open 1200 - 2100	28 CLOSED	29 1800 Gary Deme's 80th Birthday Celebration & Post Appreciation Event	30 CLOSED		

(* For Vet-to-Vet Held at Thursday Evenings at 1800 at VFW Post 604's back deck – Check website <http://www.vettovetbloomington.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 is looking for new members. They not only honor Veterans who have passed on, but also provide a very valuable services to the families. Anyone interested in joining the Honor Guard, you can contact us at the Post or call 812-825-2710 and leave a message.

Celebrate Gary Deme's 80th Birthday & Post 604 Appreciation Day

Gary Demes who is our 1st year House Committee is celebrating his 80th Birthday on Wednesday September 29th. Free food, drinks, and fellowship. This is a "Private Party" sponsored by the Demes family and is for all Post 604 and Auxiliary members in good standing and one guest. No children please. At Post 604 on Wednesday, September 29th from 6-9 pm.



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
 Dale Blubaugh 2 Yr. Trustee
 Scott Tincher 3 Yr. Trustee

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

Grief Support Bible Study

The Grief Support Bible Study is continuing to meet weekly at our VFW Post at 1 PM. These are an hourlong session that will continue on a weekly basis. They are open to the public and not limited to veteran's or post members. Sessions are conducted by Pastor Brian Stewart.

For more information call 812-369-1046.

Welcome
 District 7
 to
 Post 604

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We're Back !!!



Open Monday NOON – 9:00 PM
Open Friday 4:00 PM – 10:00 PM
Open Saturday NOON – 6:00 PM



Come on out, relax, and don't forget to check out the bar menu!

Consult Calendar for all other days