

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

December is here already, where did the year go? A lot has been happening around your VFW Post 604, to begin with... We now have an Automated External Defibrillator (AED) behind the Bar and will soon be attached to an appropriate wall location, hopefully never to be used, and again thank you for the donations that made this happen.

We have voted to raise the post scholarships to \$200/\$100/\$50 for those programs we give to, it's not that much, but I know every little thing helps to keep interest.

We raised \$485.00 for the HVAF and fire that reset 48 Veterans, as we had a Chili Contest with 7 individual types of the that wonderful goodness (Chili) Congratulations to Timothy Jo Davis for his 1st Prize Award Winning **Marine Corps Chili!**, and thanks for the Donations that we received for HVAF!

Hot Dog Mondays will stay on the Menu for December, however we are going to suspend Taco Tuesdays for a few months, as there are a lot of folks out of town for the Holidays and cold months, more to follow.

The Auxiliary will be taking a well-deserved break for the month of December which will limit our capability to have Friday Dinners, so we will offer homemade Pizzas and Salad Bar for the Friday night meal.

→ Dates to keep in mind ←

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VFW Auxiliary

I hope everyone had a great Thanksgiving! When we take the time to reflect, we all have much to be thankful for. And that's where I'll start.

Our Auxiliary has donated \$430 to the HVAF fund to help veterans who were displaced by the Indianapolis fire. To date, we've donated about \$500 (mostly in quarters!!) to the VFW National Home (little blue house) to help veterans and their families get back on their feet. We've sent t-shirts to the Indiana Veterans Home in Lafayette.

Our current call is to help cover our little Christmas tree in the hall with hats, gloves and mittens for Highland Park Elementary School kids. Our new bimonthly Hospital Committee mission is to help the homeless women veterans' shelter by donating personal hygiene items- new, unopened of any size.

The members of this Post have been so giving and we are forever grateful for everyone's selfless generosity. A huge thank you!

'Tis the season! The Post Children's Christmas party is Saturday 12/7 from 10 A.M. until noon. Please sign up your little ones (up to age 11) by 12/2 on the whiteboard by the kitchen or call/text Sara Dobrin at 1-765-491-2477. Santa's helpers plan to shop and wrap gifts on Monday 12/2 at the Post. We also plan to decorate then, so please feel free to get in the spirit and help the elves make the Post magical.

If you know of anyone who is sick or grieving, please let us know so we can extend a hand or card.

The Auxiliary will not be hosting meals in December, but the Post will be! We will resume 1/3/25 with our regular meal schedule. I have put a calendar in the

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2024-2025 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
Jenny Tracy	Patriotic Instructor
Chelle Brown.....	Guard
Toni Kristoff	Chaplain
Toni Kristoff	1 Yr. Trustee
Julie Martin	2 Yr. Trustee
Chelle Brown.....	3 Yr. Trustee

2024-2025 VFW Post 604 Officers

Dale Blubaugh.....	Commander
Aaron Dobrin	Sr. Vice Commander
Cathi Johnson.....	Jr. Vice Commander
Debbie Deckard	Quartermaster
Peter Chadwick.....	Chaplain
Ken Sexton	Judge Advocate
Richard "Moe" Moldenhauer ...	Surgeon
→Vacant←	Service Officer
Debbie Deckard	Adjutant
Bradley Mobley.....	1 Yr. Trustee
John Drier.....	2 Yr. Trustee
Jason Endris	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
10/25	Edward Rangle	\$1,431	Not Signed
11/01	Mark Duncan	\$1,496	Not Signed
11/08	Doris Bock	\$1,557	Not Signed
11/15	Mike Farris	\$1,614	Not Signed

\$1 to play – Sign – Who wins, who knows? Be here Friday @ 7:00 PM – if your # is drawn – get it all!

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* Friday 13 December at 1800, **open to members and guests only**, the Post Pitch in Christmas Dinner, Commander will provide the meats, so bring your good stuff and let's eat...

* The Post 604 Kids Christmas Party will take place Saturday 7 December (1000-1200).

* Post 604 will have another pitch in for New Years Eve (4 to Midnight) bring your best snacks and possibles and hang out with us till the ball drops.

Thank you to everyone for your support this year, only together can we make a positive difference in our little corner of the world, **stay positive and stay warm!** ❖

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kitchen- so please feel free to sign up to help us out - whether it be for one evening or several.

A reminder that all annual dues are due on or before 12/31/24. At this time, we are short 20 membership renewals to reach our goal of 100%. Please watch the mail for your dues reminder letter from Karen or call or text her at 812-327-1944.

Thank you all for making this a year to remember! We really appreciate you. May you all have a very happy and safe holiday. ❖

Carol Rowan-Ozug – Auxiliary President

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December 2024

1200 - 1800	1200 - 2100	CLOSED	CLOSED	CLOSED	1600 - 2200	1200 - 1800
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 Souper Sunday !!! Serving 1200 – 1600	2  Hot Dog Monday \$3.00 Chips & Fixin's 1800-2100 EUCHRE – Free – for - ALL	3 CLOSED	4 CLOSED	5 *Vet to Vet – 1800	6	7 Children's Christmas Party  1000 – 1200
8 Souper Sunday !!! Serving 1200 – 1600	9  Hot Dog Monday \$3.00 Chips & Fixin's 1800-2100 EUCHRE – Free – for - ALL	10 CLOSED	11 CLOSED	12 *Vet to Vet – 1800	13  Post Pitch-In Christmas Dinner Serving starts at 6 P.M.	14 Smoked Porkchop Sandwich \$5.00 Serving 1200 – 1730
15 Souper Sunday !!! Serving 1200 – 1600	16  Hot Dog Monday \$3.00 Chips & Fixin's 1800-2100 EUCHRE – Free – for - ALL	17 Meetings V.F.W. – 1800 V.F.W. Aux. – No Meeting	18 CLOSED	19 CLOSED	20	21 Smoked Porkchop Sandwich \$5.00 Serving 1200 – 1730 
22 Souper Sunday !!! Serving 1200 – 1600	23  Hot Dog Monday \$3.00 Chips & Fixin's 1800-2100 EUCHRE – Free – for - ALL	24 CLOSED	25 	26 CLOSED	27	28 Smoked Porkchop Sandwich \$5.00 Serving 1200 – 1730
29 Souper Sunday !!! Serving 1200 – 1600	30  Hot Dog Monday \$3.00 Chips & Fixin's 1800-2100 EUCHRE – Free – for - ALL	31  Pitch-In OPEN 4 P.M. until 2025 ☺				

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(*Vet-to-Vet at IVY Tech, 200 Daniels Way - room B123 – Check <http://www.vetovetbloomington.com/> to confirm location)

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