# VFW POST 604 NEWS

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February 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 are still closed due to the water line break. The cleanup and drying out process is complete and we are waiting on the insurance adjuster in order to get the Post put back together. All the flooring in the dining room, canteen and hallway had to be removed in order to dry out the subflooring. The ceiling and insulation in the basement had to be removed due to the water damage. Most of the contents in the building had to be removed and is stored in two storage pods in the parking lot. The kitchen is now stored in the two offices as you come in. To say it's a mess, is an understatement.

We held our monthly meeting as scheduled. We needed to make a decision on what we were going to do on replacing the flooring. We're going to put the same flooring down upstairs like we originally had. We are looking at a couple of other options for the downstairs instead of carpet. When the crew starts the repairs, the upstairs will take priority. That way we can be open while they repair the downstairs.

I'm not sure, at this point, when we will open back up. Based on what has happened so far, my guess would be April at the earliest. It wouldn't surprise me if its May. Everything depends on the insurance and when the contractors can get us scheduled. I am putting updates, as they happen, on our Facebook page so I can keep the membership informed as to the progress.

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Please check our Commander's column or the VFW Post 604 Facebook page for update on how the post repairs are coming along.

Like to say a Big Thank You to Toni Kristoff, Karen Cain, and Mike Pipher for being Elves on help picking out the gifts for our kids Christmas. And Moe Moldenhauer for handing them out. I couldn't have done it without all of you.

We only need 15 more dues renewals to be 100% this year. I will be sending out a due's renewal reminders in the next few weeks. Hope to see COVID-19 gone, an early Spring and VFW back open very soon. Hopefully, we can get back to being normal in 2021.

All our in our prayers. Stay Safe and Healthy. 💠

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



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### VFW Auxiliary

#### Commander\_

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I hope everyone is staying safe and doing well. Hopefully, we'll get through the pandemic, get the Post reopened, and get back to normal before too much longer.

See you at the Post! �

Commander – George Kristoff (812) 327-6540 (Cell) georgek@bluemarble.net

#### Temporally Moving the Grief Support Bible Study

The Grief Support Bible Study will move temporally to Calvary Baptist Church, 3501 N. Prow Rd. Bloomington, IN 47404 ; beginning Tuesday January 12th at 1 PM.

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 are a very dedicated group that not only honors Veterans who have passed on but provide a very valuable service to the families. Anyone interested in joining the Honor Guard, contact Butch Dennison at 812-825-2710.



#### 2020-2021 VFW Post 604 Auxiliary Officers

| Dorothy White<br>Mike Pipher<br>Julie Martin<br>Karen Cain<br>Greg Johnson<br>Jenny Tracy<br>Les Martin<br>Toni Kristoff<br>Julie Martin | Sr. Vice President<br>Jr. Vice President<br>Secretary/Treasurer<br>Conductor<br>Chaplin<br>Guard<br>Patriotic Instructor |
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| Julie Martin<br>Sandi Taylor   | 1 <sup>st</sup> Yr. Trustee<br>2 <sup>nd</sup> Yr. Trustee   |
| Julia Bastin   | 3 <sup>rd</sup> Yr. Trustee  |

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| George Kristoff<br>Dewey "Joe" Hardin<br>John Martin<br>Debbie Deckard<br>Brian Stewart<br>Richard Moldenhauer<br>Peter Chadwick<br>John Tilford<br>Bill Evans<br>Cathi Johnson<br>Jim Edney | Sr. Vice Commander<br>Jr. Vice Commander<br>Quartermaster<br>Chaplain<br>Judge Advocate<br>Surgeon<br>Service Officer<br>Adjutant<br>1 <sup>st</sup> Yr. Trustee<br>2 <sup>nd</sup> Yr. Trustee |
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| Jim Edney<br>Terry Carmichael  | 2 <sup>nd</sup> Yr. Trustee<br>3 <sup>rd</sup> Yr. Trustee  |
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| Roy Smith    | 1 <sup>st</sup> Yr. House Committee |
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| Gary Demes   |                                     |
| Barney White | 3 <sup>rd</sup> Yr. House Committee |

## FEBRUARY 2021



## **CLOSED** for Building Repair

Check back for more information in our next month's Newsletter



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# Laurens B. Strain – VFW Post 604

# February 2021

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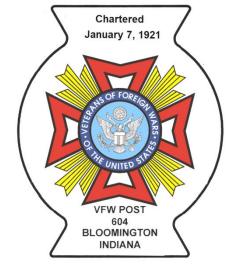
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On the morning of December 18<sup>th</sup> Our Post was severely damaged by a burst water line – Repairs are in process -

– We hope to re-open, maybe in April. – Look for an update in our March Newsletter

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