

# VFW POST 604 NEWS

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November 2022

## 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

Well, Fall is here, and the leaves are turning and falling. Guess that's why they call it Fall. Cooler weather is here, and it seems like it went from one extreme to the other. Thanksgiving will be here before you know it. Speaking of that, we will not be serving a meal the Friday after Thanksgiving. Too much turkey still floating around.

Veterans Day is Friday November 11<sup>th</sup>. The American Legion will have their ceremony which will last until around 11:30, if I remember right. Our Post will open at 12:00. We will be serving complimentary Chicken & Noodles and Salad all day. There will be no charge. This is something we do every Veterans Day and will keep this one in the same tradition. We will not be having our usual Fish dinner that evening.

The DAV is looking for volunteers to drive Veterans to Indianapolis VA Hospital on a part time basis. If anyone is interested, contact me and I will point you in the right direction. I will have more information on this next month.

We had the best Steak Night since we reopened after the flood. There was one steak and baked potato left and that was for me. I would like to say this was proper planning, but it was sheer luck. You know the old saying "I'd Rather Be Lucky Than Good". I would like to personally thank all of you that came out and supported us. And a special Thank You for all who brought deserts. We all appreciate it!

Also, our Lovely Ladies from the Auxiliary held a 50

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## VFW Auxiliary

We have much to be thankful for this month. As citizens, we have the right to vote and choose our government. Another all-important Election Day looms early this month and I hope you will cast your vote, if you haven't already. We also have an opportunity to pause this month to remember the service and sacrifices of those who have ever served in the U. S. Military. Whether in time of war or peace, the men and women of this country who have worn a military uniform deserve our thanks and respect. I hope to see you at this year's Veterans Day Ceremony on Friday, November 11<sup>th</sup>.



Our Auxiliary supports Monroe County's Wreaths Across America project. It's a beautiful site to see the graves of our veterans adorned with balsam wreaths over the holidays. The wreaths can be purchased for \$15 each, or with the purchase of two wreaths a third

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## 2022-2023 VFW Post 604 Auxiliary Officers

Mike Pipher .....	President (Acting)
Toni Kristoff .....	Sr. Vice President
Julie Martin.....	Jr. Vice President
Karen E. Cain .....	Secretary/Treasurer
Greg Johnson.....	Conductor
Julia Bastin.....	Chaplain
Les Martin .....	Guard
Sara Dobrin.....	Patriotic Instructor
Sandi Taylor.....	1 Yr. Trustee
Toni Kristoff.....	2 Yr. Trustee
Julie Martin.....	3 Yr. Trustee

## 2022-2023 VFW Post 604 Officers

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

## November Dinners!!!!!!

**1<sup>st</sup> Friday of the Month (November 4<sup>th</sup>) Fried Chicken Night.** Dark or White Chicken with mashed potatoes, gravy and a vegetable for only **\$10**, yep plus dessert ! Cooked by our Famous Chef Barney and assisted by your Friendly Commander!

And then we have the **2<sup>nd</sup> Friday of the Month (November 11<sup>th</sup>) "Veterans Day"**. Serving from 12 to 8 pm - Chicken & Noodles **There will be no charge!**

From there we go to our **3<sup>rd</sup> Friday of the Month STEAK NIGHT (November 18<sup>th</sup>)!!! USDA Choice 10 oz. New York Strip** with Baked Potato and Salad and Dessert all for just **\$16**.

Now to the **4<sup>th</sup> FRIDAY of the Month (November 28<sup>th</sup>) Dinner**. **There will be no special dinner the 4<sup>th</sup> Friday**, which is the day after Thanksgiving.

## House Committee

## COMMANDER'S DRAWING



### Commander's Drawing Results

Date	Member Drawn	\$Pot\$	Result
09/23	Donald Frye	\$465	Not Signed
09/30	John Tilford	\$518	Not Signed
10/07	Sherry Farmer	\$583	Not Signed
10/14	John Crowe	\$654	Not Signed
10/21	Tim May	\$724	Not Signed

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



Laurens B. Strain – VFW Post 604

# NOVEMBER 2022

CLOSED	1200 - 2100	CLOSED	CLOSED	CLOSED	1600 - 2200	1200 - 1800
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2	3	 <p>Fried Chicken Dinner 1800 - 2000 \$10</p>	5
	<p>1600 – Volunteers decorate Post-604 for Thanksgiving</p> <p>Open 1200 - 2100</p>		9	 <p>Veteran's Day →</p>	 <p>\$ NO CHARGE 11 SERVING NOON - 2000</p> <p>Chicken &amp; Noodles</p>	 <p>← Veteran's Day</p>
13	14	15	16	17	 <p>1800-2000 - Steak Dinner \$16 10... NY Strip</p>	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
	<p>Open 1200 - 2100</p>	<p>Meetings V.F.W. – 1800 V.F.W. Aux. – 1800</p>			 <p>BAR MENU</p> <p>Open 1600 - 2200</p>	<p>Open 1200 - 1800</p>
27	28	29	30	<p>ALL GAVE SOME</p>  <p>SOME GAVE ALL</p>		
<p>1600 – Volunteers decorate Post-604 for Christmas</p> <p>Open 1200 - 2100</p>						

(\*Vet-to-Vet Held at IVY Tech, 200 Daniels Way - room A118 – Check website <http://www.vettovetbloomington.com/> to confirm location)

Telephone Number (812) 339-2375

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50 on Steak Night last month, with the proceeds going to "Wreaths Across America". It went very well with \$95 went to the lucky winner.

Just some advanced notice, we will be having our annual Thanksgiving/Christmas Dinner on Friday December 9<sup>th</sup>. It will be the normal pitch in where everyone brings a covered dish. We'll have 2 hams and 2 turkeys. I always do one ham and turkey and I'm looking for someone to cook the other ones. We will have our covered dish sign-up sheet posted so everyone can see what is being brought.

In closing I hope everyone has a good Thanksgiving. Stay warm this winter and see you at the Post ! ❖

**Commander – George Kristoff**

(812) 327-6540 (Cell)

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## 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.

## Columbarium Niches Available to All Members

We still have Niches available to all Post member free of charge. The Columbarium is located at the Veterans Memorial in Valhalla. The only charge is for the opening and closing of the niche and for the plaque for the spouse, if applicable. It is at a greatly reduced price until December 31<sup>st</sup>. This is a great savings to all veterans. As we know the price of burials and cremations is pretty substantial. Anyone interested, please contact Commander Kristoff or call the Post and leave a message. We will provide you with all the details.

The VFW children's Christmas party will be Saturday, December 3<sup>rd</sup> beginning at 10am. All children and grandchildren of VFW and VFW Auxiliary members, ages 11 and under are welcome. Be sure to stop in at the post and sign them up before Thanksgiving.

wreath comes for free. The goal this year is 1,140 wreaths at Rose Hill and White Oak cemeteries. The project is about 500 wreaths shy of its goal so far. There will be a short commemorative ceremony at Rose Hill Cemetery on Saturday morning, December 17<sup>th</sup>.

Many thanks to those who pitched in and helped decorate Post 604 for Halloween last month. Great job! Same goes for those who helped with the children's Halloween party. If you missed out, you'll have some upcoming opportunities to get in on the fun. We'll be decorating the post for Thanksgiving at 4pm on Monday, November 7<sup>th</sup>. Go ahead and add Monday, November 28<sup>th</sup> to your calendar, too. That's when we'll decorate the post for Christmas.

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We're about 30 members shy of our Auxiliary 604 membership goal this year. Your 2022 membership card expires at the end of December. Have you considered purchasing a lifetime membership?

For God and Country ❖

**Mike Pipher - Auxiliary President (Acting)**

## Hoosier Bar & Grill Veterans Discount

Hoosier Bar & Grill in Ellettsville is offering a 20% off discount to all Veterans.

This is for food only. It's called the "Hero's Discount" and you have to ask for it.

It's a great place with good food, service, and friendly staff. They have a family side also. Check it out !

## Plan Ahead VFW and VFW Auxiliary Members

VFW Post 604 family Thanksgiving / Christmas Dinner on Friday evening December 9<sup>th</sup>



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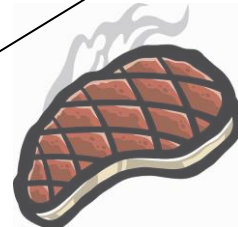
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**Friday Nov 4<sup>th</sup>**

**\$10.00**

Fried Chicken Dinner 1800 - 2000



**Friday Nov 11<sup>th</sup>**

**Free Chicken & Noodles**

SERVING NOON - 2000



**Friday Nov 25<sup>th</sup>**



**Friday Nov 18<sup>th</sup> - 6:00 till 8:00 PM**

**Steak Night**

**\$16.00 - \$16.00 - \$16.00 - \$16.00**  
**10 oz New York Strip, Baked Potato & More**

