
VFW POST 604 NEWS

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November 2020

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

Veterans Day is rapidly approaching. Wednesday November 11th, we will be honoring all of our Veterans. Our Post will open from 11 am to 6 pm and will be open to our members and members of the American Legion and AMVETS. We will be serving complimentary Ham & Beans with Homemade Cornbread. The American Legion will be holding their Ceremony this year at the Legion Post. We will have a small Ceremony at the Post at 12 pm with the Monroe County Honor Guard participating. Come and enjoy the festivities as we pay honor to all our veterans.

Our Auxiliary held the first Tenderloin Sunday since February on October 18th since the COVID restrictions have been in place. It was a huge success to say the least. I would like to personally thank Frank Ozug and his crew John Davis, Gregg Johnson, Mike Pipher, Toni Kristoff, our Auxiliary President Dorothy White, and John Todd, who tended bar. Hat's off to all of you for a great job! I heard a rumor that they were planning on having it again this month. Stay Tuned!

Along the same line, we will be having our first post-COVID Friday Dinner on Friday November 20th. All you can eat Chili and Grilled Cheese Sandwich. This will be for members and their guests only. Just as a side note, the Commanders Drawing is still suspended until further notice.

We have an engraved stone that came from the old Post downtown. It's been in storage for the past 12 years or so. We have brought it out and it is currently being placed in front of our flagpole. Steve White is basically building a monument with this stone. It should be completed the first part of November. It's going to be a sight to behold. I looked at his progress just today and it is stunning.

We are continuing to make improvements to our Post. We have even more improvements coming. Even though the Covid-19 restrictions have stymied our business, it has given us the opportunity to make improvements to our facility.

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VFW Auxiliary

Our first Tenderloin Sunday turned out great. With the new guidelines it was a learning experience. Thanks for being patient with us.

On November 8th we are going to try it again. So Please come back. Just a reminder that we are cooking the tenderloins starting at Noon and stopping at 4pm. Call-ins are welcome. Also we can deliver right to you in your car.

Thanks to our volunteers here at the VFW without you we wouldn't exist.

The Patriot's Pen and Voice of Democracy entries are coming in and looks like we will have good participation again this year for the Post. Thank you to the teachers and educators in Bloomington and Kim Stegemoller of Class 101 for their help. If you need an entry for or information, please contact Karen Cain.

If you have an email address, please let us know so that we can get your newsletter to you. Each month we get a few of the newsletters returned for temporarily away or no longer at this address. We'd like to know when you "lucky ones" have left for warmer weather or moved. Each one that is returned is a postage fee that we must pay. While that amount is small each month, it mounts up over the course of time. Please send your email to cainke@comcast.net or main@vfw-604.org.

Your renewal dues for 2021 are due by December 31st, 2020 at \$30.00. We still need 35 more to renew to get to 100% again this year. You can leave them at the Canteen or send them to Karen. You can still use the envelope that was sent out earlier. ❖

Dorothy White - Auxiliary President
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Now all we need is to get the roads opened.

Our 100th Anniversary is quickly approaching. January 7th, 2021 we will celebrate our 100th year. We are the oldest continuously chartered VFW Post in the state. At this point we don't know if we will be able to have our annual Anniversary Dinner due to the restrictions that are in place. We also have our Voice of Democracy and Patriots Pen awards at that dinner as well. We will just have to wait and see. Hopefully things will ease up.

I would like to thank all of you that supported our Tenderloin Sunday MAKING it a great success. We are going to open the Post as much as we can under the current circumstances. We can't stay completely closed forever. Thanks to all of you that are supporting us even though we have limited hours. Come down and have a pizza hamburger or our other offerings from our menu. ❖

See you at the Post !

Commander – George Kristoff

Canteen's back in the newsletter !!

OK – WE'RE GOING TO TRY ONE!

FRIDAY NIGHT DINNER SPECIAL which will happen on **November 20th** and we are bringing back an old favorite — **All You Can Eat Home-Made CHILI & A GRILLED CHEESE** — you know the chili is good and the grilled cheese sammich will be a perfect match. And the price is right at only **\$7.00**. Serving starts at 6:00 p.m. Let's hope that we can get back to these Friday Night Dinners all month long by the first of next year!!

So come out and enjoy!!

House Committee

Grieg Support Bible Study

The Post will be offering a Grief Support Bible Study beginning Tuesday December 1st 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.

2020-2021 VFW Post 604 Auxiliary Officers

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

2020-2021 VFW Post 604 Officers

George Kristoff..... Commander
Dewey "Joe" Hardin Sr. Vice Commander
John Martin Jr. Vice Commander
Debbie Deckard..... Quartermaster
Brian Stewart Chaplain
Richard Moldenhauer Judge Advocate
Peter Chadwick Surgeon
John Tilford Service Officer
Bill Evans Adjutant
Cathi Johnson..... 1st Yr. Trustee
Jim Edney 2nd Yr. Trustee
Terry Carmichael..... 3rd Yr. Trustee

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

NOVEMBER 2020

HOURS OF OPERATION

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

Open Veterans Day

Wednesday November 11th we will be open from 11 am to 6 pm. We will be serving complimentary Ham & Beans with Homemade Cornbread. As small Ceremony, at the Post, will take place at 12 pm including the Monroe County Honor Guard performing the 21 gun salute to honor all of our Veterans. Come join us. We will be open to all of our members, guests, and members of the American Legion and AMVETS.

Laurens B. Strain – VFW Post 604

November 2020

Closed	Open 1200 - 2100	Closed	Closed	Closed	Open 1600 – 2200	Open 1200 - 1800
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>Time to fall back¹ Remember to set your clocks back one hour.</p> 	<p style="text-align: right;">2</p>  <p>Open 1200 – 2100</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">3</p>  <p>CLOSED</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">4</p> <p style="text-align: center;">CLOSED</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">5</p> <p style="text-align: center;">CLOSED</p> <p>* Vet to Vet@ VFW – 1800</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">6</p>  <p>Open to the Public Open 1600 – 2200</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">7</p>  <p>Open 1200 – 1800</p>
<p>Members & Guests Only 8</p>  <p>Open 1200 – 1800</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">9</p>  <p>Open 1200 – 2100</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">10</p> <p style="text-align: center;">CLOSED</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">11</p>  <p>VETERANS DAY Honoring All Who Served! Veterans & Guests Only Open 1100 – 1800</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">12</p> <p style="text-align: center;">CLOSED</p> <p>* Vet to Vet@ VFW – 1800</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">13</p>  <p>Open to the Public Open 1600 – 2200</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">14</p>  <p>Open 1200 – 1800</p>
<p style="text-align: right;">15</p> <p style="text-align: center;">CLOSED</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">16</p>  <p>Open 1200 – 2100</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">17</p> <p style="text-align: center;">CLOSED</p> <p>Meetings V.F.W. – 1800 V.F.W. Aux. – 1800</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">18</p> <p style="text-align: center;">CLOSED</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">19</p> <p style="text-align: center;">CLOSED</p> <p>* Vet to Vet@ VFW – 1800</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">20</p>  <p>Friday Dinner Special Chili & Grilled Cheese Open to the Public Open 1600 – 2200</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">21</p>  <p>Open 1200 – 1800</p>
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<p style="text-align: right;">29</p> <p style="text-align: center;">CLOSED</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">30</p>  <p>Open 1200 - 2100</p>					

(* 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)

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November - Continued Restricted Operations



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



**Tenderloin Sunday (Members & Their Guests Only)
8 November 12:00PM – 6:00 PM**

Veterans Day – 11 November 11:00AM – 6:00PM

Closed all other days