

# VFW POST 604 NEWS

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October 2025

## 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

October is finally here, changing leaves, cooler temps, and personally it is my favorite month of the year. We have completed our insulation in the attic areas and credit again goes out to Jesse Williams and his construction company for a job well done.

I want to again truly thank the Auxiliary for everything that you all do. The Post could not function without every one of you that put your personal time and efforts into our success.

Looking forward to this month's Post 604 Friday meals, Senior Vice Commander Aaron Dobrin will lead the Friday October 3<sup>rd</sup> dinner with a German style feast featuring bratwurst and all the fixings for just \$10.00... Wunderbar!! October 17<sup>th</sup> will bring a return of the ever-popular Steak Night with baked potatoes and a full salad bar for \$17.00 (Sorry for the little rise in price, however, it's the best tasting deal in town). Soup Sunday will continue through the fall with some favorite comfort foods. If you haven't heard about our daily happy hours, you are missing out! Mondays & Fridays from 5 to 8PM, and Saturdays & Sundays from 3 to 5PM with \$1 off all drinks.

If you are ready for chili, be sure to mark your calendar and get out your best recipe for another awesome cookoff! Sunday, October 26<sup>th</sup> will be the Post's Halloween party for our families and friends and will include another Charity Chili Cookoff to benefit Project Hope for the Warriors. So, wear a costume if you'd like and bring an appetite and some cash to vote and donate with. If you are bringing a chili to enter in the cookoff, please have your own crockpot. The kids

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## VFW Auxiliary

The leaves are falling all over, so it's definitely autumn! I am writing this early as Chelle and I are going on our big trip to the VFW National Home in Eaton Rapids, MI over the September 20<sup>th</sup> – 21<sup>st</sup> weekend. I'm so proud of our Post and members! We are taking a check for \$500 to give them- all from the quarters and dollar bills (and even bigger bills!!) that you all put in the little blue house on the bar. We can't thank you enough!

Right now, it's HOT!! Hopefully by the time this newsletter gets to you, the weather will be a lot milder.

Please remember to get your annual dues paid. Also, the letter asked for donations to several groups. If you find it in your heart, please get donations into Treasurer Karen Cain at the Post address. Thank you.

It's been a busy couple of months! We had our annual District audit and passed with flying colors. Glad to have that out of the way!! School of Instruction was in early September, and we learned even more about the workings of the VFWA. Four of us attended.

There're some changes coming to Friday night meals. The Auxiliary will now only do the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Fridays and there will be other meals served the other Fridays. Normally we have All-You-Can-Eat Tacos on the 5<sup>th</sup> Fridays, but this month it's Halloween night and we are going to spend time with our grandkids and families. We will NOT be cooking that night. October 10<sup>th</sup> - Lasagna, garlic bread and salad; October 24<sup>th</sup> - Pork tenderloin sandwiches, baked beans and chips. Both still just \$10.

On Sunday October 5<sup>th</sup>, it's VFW Day at the Indiana Veterans Home in West Lafayette. I'm going to try to get

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## 2025-2026 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            |
| Chelle Brown     | Patriotic Instructor |
| Chelle Brown     | Guard                |
| Sara Dobrin      | Chaplain             |
| Chelle Brown     | 1 Yr. Trustee        |
| Julie Martin     | 2 Yr. Trustee        |
| Kenya Blubaugh   | 3 Yr. Trustee        |

## 2025-2026 VFW Post 604 Officers

|                           |                       |
|---------------------------|-----------------------|
| Dale Blubaugh             | Commander             |
| Aaron Dobrin              | Sr. Vice Commander    |
| Cathi Johnson             | Jr. Vice Commander    |
| Scott Tincher             | Quartermaster         |
| Peter Chadwick            | Chaplain              |
| Ken Sexton                | Judge Advocate        |
| Richard "Moe" Moldenhauer | Surgeon               |
| →Vacant←                  | Service Officer       |
| Debbie Deckard            | Adjutant              |
| Debbie Deckard            | 1 Yr. Trustee         |
| Jason Endris              | 2 Yr. Trustee         |
| Bradley Mobley            | 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     |
|-------|----------------|---------|------------|
| 08/22 | Glenda Parrish | \$264   | Not Signed |
| 08/29 | Doreania Bray  | \$326   | Not Signed |
| 09/05 | Daniel Deckard | \$390   | Not Signed |
| 09/12 | Sue Allen      | \$446   | Not Signed |
| 09/19 | Glenda Parrish | \$499   | 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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party will be from 12 to 2PM and chili and PBJ's available from 12 to 4PM, with the winner announced at 3PM. Kids will have a chance to show off their costumes, do some fun crafts and games, and enjoy some tricks and treats.

Be sure to read the Auxiliary notes as they have been very busy doing a great job for our post and community, and Carol has some great intel to share.

Have a great October, come and have some good food and Brother / Sisterhood. Commander Out...❖

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there if I can. It will be a day to sit and visit with the vets and hear their stories. We are collecting puzzles, card games and puzzle books (like sudoku and crosswords) for the residents there. Please let me know if you are interested in coming.

Our Halloween party for VFW families and their friends will be on Sunday October 26<sup>th</sup> from 12 to 2PM. A sign-up sheet is at the Post. That day we are also hosting a chili cook off with proceeds to go to Project Hope for the Warriors, which is our Department President's Special Project this year. Like last time, there will be a jar by each chili entry, and your vote will be money in that jar. We'll also be serving peanut butter and jelly sandwiches to go with. So come out and enjoy the party and the food!! We will be taking donations of individually wrapped candy or small fun things to give to the party attendants.

On November 10<sup>th</sup>, the Auxiliary is hosting a meet and greet for the veterans at the new VA Clinic. We'll be supplying light snacks, water and a listening ear for the veterans. If you'd like to participate and take an hour (or two) shift, please text or email me! Many hands make light work.

I forgot to post last month that September 29<sup>th</sup> is the VFW's birthday. It was officially established September 29<sup>th</sup>, 1899, by James Putnam in Columbus, Ohio. Other days of note- October 13<sup>th</sup> is the US Navy's birthday and October 23<sup>rd</sup> is the "National Day of the Deployed."

Drawing on Sept 16<sup>th</sup> was Tom Teague- Not Signed.

I wish for your health and peace. ❖

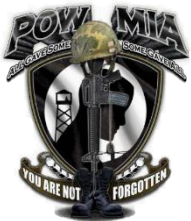
### Carol Rowan-Ozug – Auxiliary President

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# October 2025



| 1200 - 1800<br>Sunday                                                                                                                           | 1200 - 2100<br>Monday                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | CLOSED<br>Tuesday                                                                             | CLOSED<br>Wednesday | CLOSED<br>Thursday              | 1600 - 2200<br>Friday                                                                                                                                                                                                               | 1200 - 1800<br>Saturday                                                                    |
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| <br><b>5</b><br><b>Souper Sunday !!!</b><br>Serving 1200 – 1600 | <br><b>6</b><br> Hot Dog Monday<br>\$3.00<br>Chips & Fixin's<br>1800-2100 EUCHRE –<br>Free – for - ALL | <br><b>7</b> | <b>1</b>            | <b>2</b><br>*Vet to Vet – 1800  | Serving 1730 – 1930<br><b>Bratwurst, Sauerkraut, &amp; Mashed Potatoes</b><br><b>\$10</b><br><br><b>Oktoberfest</b><br><b>Open to the Public</b> | <b>4</b><br>Smoked Porkchop Sandwich<br>\$5.00<br>Serving 1200 – 1730<br>Open 1200 - 1800  |
| <b>12</b><br><b>Souper Sunday !!!</b><br>Serving 1200 – 1600                                                                                    | <b>13</b><br> Hot Dog Monday<br>\$3.00<br>Chips & Fixin's<br>1800-2100 EUCHRE –<br>Free – for - ALL                                                                                     | <b>14</b>                                                                                     | <b>15</b>           | <b>16</b><br>*Vet to Vet – 1800 | Serving 1730 – 1930<br><b>VFW Auxiliary's Lasagna, Garlic Bread &amp; Salad</b><br><b>\$10.00</b><br><b>Open to the Public</b>                                                                                                      | <b>11</b><br>Smoked Porkchop Sandwich<br>\$5.00<br>Serving 1200 – 1730<br>Open 1200 - 1800 |
| <b>19</b><br><b>Souper Sunday !!!</b><br>Serving 1200 – 1600                                                                                    | <b>20</b><br> <b>Columbus Day</b><br>Hot Dog Monday<br>\$3.00<br>Chips & Fixin's<br>1800-2100 EUCHRE –<br>Free – for - ALL                                                            | <b>21</b><br>Meeting<br>V.F.W. 1800<br>V.F.W. Auxiliary 1800                                  | <b>22</b>           | <b>23</b><br>*Vet to Vet – 1800 | Serving 1730 – 1930<br><b>!! Tenderloins !!</b><br><br>\$10<br>\$10<br>\$10<br>\$10<br>\$10<br>\$10<br><b>Open to the Public</b>               | <b>18</b><br>Smoked Porkchop Sandwich<br>\$5.00<br>Serving 1200 – 1730<br>Open 1200 - 1800 |
| <b>26</b><br><b>VFW Families &amp; Their Friends Halloween Party</b><br>1200 – 1400<br><b>Chili Cook-Off</b><br>Noon until ???                  | <b>27</b><br> Hot Dog Monday<br>\$3.00<br>Chips & Fixin's<br>1800-2100 EUCHRE –<br>Free – for - ALL                                                                                   | <b>28</b>                                                                                     | <b>29</b>           | <b>30</b><br>*Vet to Vet – 1800 | <b>31</b><br><br><b>Happy Halloween</b><br><b>No Meal Served</b>                                                                               |       |

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