VFW POST 604 NEWS

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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

As everyone is probably well aware, we are still closed. We are currently in Stage 2 of the re-opening and bars and nightclubs will not be allowed to open until Stage 4, which begins on June 14. Having said that, Monroe County is running 13 days behind the state guidelines for re-opening. If this holds true, we will not be allowed to open until the latter part of June. I hope I'm wrong, but my guess would be the end of June, when we are finally allowed to re-open. We will not be providing meals for a period of time. This is due to the uncertainly of the availability, especially the meat. We will be able to have the bar menu available with our Perfect Fryer.

We held our Post, Officer Elections this month. The State gave us a lot of flexibility on how we handled them. It was up to us to how we did it. Our results have been sent on to National and State. You can see the Officers for 2020 to 2021 in the newsletter. It's basically the same Officers, with one exception. Welcome Terry Carmichael for taking 3rd Year Trustee.

I have the order forms for the State Shirts and Sweatshirts for both the Post and Auxiliary. We are able to get these once a year at a reduced rate. They are personally monogramed and embroidered. Anyone interested, please let me know and I will get an order form to you.

See you at the Post!❖

Commander – George Kristoff (812) 327-6540 (Cell) VFW Auxiliary

Hope everyone is doing well and keeping busy. Speaking for myself, it is a great time to catch up on some spring cleaning. Depends on the person... I have been using some time to catch up with friends and family. Hope you are doing the same.

Please watch our Facebook page for information on our "opening date". It will probably be during June sometime. We are as excited to get back to normal as you are, hopefully not too far off.

Since the VIRUS has either closed or cancelled about everything for the past 3 months it also meant our Memorial Day Services at Rose Hill Cemetery and Valhalla Memorial Gardens were seriously effected. Sandi Taylor and I have been present at Valhalla the past few years offering the Poppy Flower to those in attendance in remembrance of their loved ones. The donations we receive from the Poppy's helps us to support some of our Veterans Programs. With budgets being tight this year because of our kitchen being down, we are asking that if you can, please send your donation to President Dorothy White, VFW Auxiliary, 2404 W. Industrial Park Drive, Bloomington, IN 47404-2690.

Our next scheduled meeting is June 16th. We will be nominating and electing our officers and trustees for 2020-2021. The tentative list is posted here on page 2. If you have any interest, we would be interested in hearing from you. Hope to see everyone soon.

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

Update On Our Financial Status

This is a separate article from my normal one. I just want the membership to know that through all these COVID-19 concessions we are still financially strong. We are extremely fortunate that we are in a situation that we do not have to worry about paying our bills. It is mostly is due to the fact that we have been fiscally responsible, and we are all volunteers, so we don't have a payroll to meet. That has put us in a position that keeps our heads above water. There are a lot of Posts that are in deep financial trouble over this shutdown. We are not one of them.

I would like to personally thank all of you that volunteer at the Post. Whether it be tending bar, cooking our dinners, running our weekly porker game, getting the club ready for business every day or anything else you may help with. The list is too long to mention. You have all contributed to our financial success.

Thank You Very Much!

Commander – George Kristoff

TAPS

Roger D. Spoonmore, Vietnam Air Force veteran, passed away on Saturday, April 25, 2020.

"With each passing day, things will become easier. This is to let you know that there is tremendous support behind you today."

Roger will be missed by all the Men and Women of VFW Post 604 and the 7th District.

2020-2021 VFW Post 604 Officers

George Kristoff Dewey "Joe" Hardin John Martin Debbie Deckard Brian Stewart Richard Moldenhauer Peter Chadwick John Tilford Bill Evans	Sr. Vice Commander Jr. Vice Commander Quartermaster Chaplain Judge Advocate Surgeon Service Officer
Cathi Johnson Jim Edney Terry Carmichael Roy Smith Gary Demes Barney White	

2019-2020 VFW Post 604 Auxiliary Officers

Dorothy White	President
Julia Curtis	Sr. Vice President
Julie Martin	Jr. Vice President
Karen Cain	Secretary/Treasurer
Greg Johnson	Conductor
Mary Bohenkamp	Chaplin
Sandi Taylor	Guard
Jenny Tracy	
Sandi Taylor	
Julie Martin.	
Julia Curtis	

Post 604 Auxiliary, Officers, Chairman and Trustee Nominees For 2020 - 2021

OFFICERS

President	
Sr Vice Pres	Mike Pipher
Jr Vice Pres	Julie Martin
Sec/Treas	Karen Cain
Conductor	Greg Johnson
Chaplain	Jenny Tracy
Guard	Les Martin
Patriotic Instr	Toni Kristoff

2020-2021-TRUSTEES

1 st Year	Julie Martin
2 nd Year	Sandi Taylor
3 rd Year	Vacant

Above is the current list of officer nominees for the 2020-2021 VFW Auxiliary year. Nominations for these office positions will be closed and voted on at our June 16th meeting.

If anyone else would be interested in holding an office, please contact President Dorothy White 812-345-9025 prior to our June 16th meeting.

2020-2021 CHAIRMAN (Appointees)

Americanism	Karen Cain
Buddy Poppy/Natl Home	Dorothy White
Hospitals	Toni Kristoff
Historian	Dorothy White
Legislative	Sandi Taylor
Membership	Karen Cain
Scholarships	Karen Cain
Vet & Family	Jenny Tracy
Youth Activities	Dorothy White

June 2020							
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We are as anxious to open, as you are for us too!!

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