



VFW Post 261

10550 Pendleton Pike
Indianapolis, IN 46236
317-823-0481 www.vfwpost261.org



November - December 2010

Commander: Bruce Swenson
Senior Vice: Randy Cordero
Junior Vice: Larry Ward
Quartermaster: Dick Braun
Adjutant: Dick Braun
Chaplain: Cordia Masten
Judge Advocate: Brady Huggins
Surgeon: Larry Harris
Trustee #1: John Armstrong
Trustee #2: Joe Harter
Trustee #3: James Womack
1st year House: Charles House
2nd year House: Mike Haeberle
3rd year House: Brady Huggins
Service Officer: Dennis Lewandowski

POST HOURS OF OPERATION:

The Post opens at 10:30 am Monday – Friday and at 2:00 pm on Saturday. Kitchen hours are lunch menu 11:00 am – 1:00 pm and evening menu 4:00 pm – close Monday – Friday. The Post will close when there are not enough customers to warrant staying open or not later than 1:00 am. If you plan to stop by in the evening, please call ahead 317-823-0481 to verify that we are open.

President: Donna Poindexter
Senior Vice: Jessica Smith
Junior Vice: Susan Scott
Treasurer: Constance Gruner
Chaplain: Chris Huggins
Conductress: Rhonda Smith
Secretary: Mary Murray
Guard: Tracy Poindexter
Trustee #1: Tonie Cordero
Trustee #2: Jessica Smith
Trustee #3: Rhonda Smith

ATTEND A MEETING! See what goes on, make a new friend, rekindle old friendships, and above all, participate!

FROM THE COMMANDER » I want to wish everyone a very Merry Christmas and New Year. With the New Year we have a lot of projects lined up so come to the Post home and help.

Membership, Membership, Membership - We are on track to be at 100% by the end of the year. Thanks to Comrade Larry Ward and Randy Cordero for a job well done.

I would like to welcome all our new members and thank you for choosing Post 261.

Remember our service Men, Women and their families in your prayers during the Christmas season.

Yours in Comradeship,

Bruce D. Swenson

Bruce Swenson, Commander

FROM THE POST CHAPLAIN » If you know of any comrade that is ill or deceased please call the post (823-0481) and they will let me know. Have a blessed and happy holidays. Chaplain Masten.

AUXILLARY PRESIDENT'S CORNER » Hello sisters: Happy New Year hope your holidays were happy ones. We are looking forward to the new year with all of the post renovations. Our breakfast will start again on January 8th and on the 2nd and 4th Saturday of each month the cost is being increased to \$6.00 starting in January. Our meeting will be on January 10th and February 14th hope to see you there. Our prayers go out to Mary Murray and family on the loss of her son . Please keep all of our vets and military people in our prayers! God bless!
Donna Poindexter

CANTEEN MANAGER » A special THANK YOU to all our volunteers that care and help keep the post alive.
Thank you, Denise Hubbard

NEED TO KNOW » Mark your calendars now! The next Post business meetings will be held at 7:00 PM on January 17th and February 21st. The next Auxiliary meetings are January 10th and February 14th. Come out and support your post by attending the appropriate meeting. We need your input.

Get an up-to-the-minute calendar view of the happenings of the Post by clicking the calendar menu button on our web site www.vfwpost261.org

GET INVOLVED » **We need you!** Contact Commander Bruce Swenson about assisting on a committee. He will be very happy to hear from you and will explain how you can help. Don't have any time you say, well it doesn't take a lot of time when you are sharing the load with others, and the comradeship will give you back more than you put in. VOLUNTEER TODAY —your Post needs YOU!

NEWSLETTER ONLINE OR BY EMAIL » Get this newsletter online by going to www.vfwpost261.org or by email instead of on paper. You will get it quicker and can save it for referral without having the paper lying around. To be added to the Post email list or if you do not want the paper copy mailed to you, email your request to dbraun@msbservices.com

TAPS » Post: None Auxiliary: None.

WELCOME » New Post members this period are: Charles Glenn, Paul Woodruff, and Timothy Childress and the transfer of Eric Fox. New Auxiliary members this period are: Carol Hellman, Geraldine Davidson, Joann Whitler, Keser, Perkins

VFW Community Day at Monical's Pizza

Monical's Pizza is proud of our staff, food, and the service we provide to the community. We couldn't do it without your help, and now we would like to say thank you in another way.

This is how you do it: you, your family, your friends, and your neighbors come to the Lawrence Monical's located on 10625 Pendelton Pike for a delicious meal on Saturday, January, 8th. In return, Monical's pizza will donate 20% of each check accompanied by this flyer to your organization.*

It's that simple!

Guest copy:

Organization: VFW



Special Day: **Saturday, January 8th**

Guest Check Total: \$ _____

(Before sales tax)

20% contribution: \$ _____

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Monical's Pizza

10625 Pendelton Pike

Lawrence, IN

317-823-2321

FLYER MUST ACCOMPANY ORDER FOR DONATION TO BE APPLIED

*Not valid with any other coupons or discount offers. Offer valid on date listed only.

Offer valid for **dine-in or carry out orders only.**

Thank you to our Renovation Donors this period! Larry Ward, Brady Huggins, Charles Conrad, Ken Sullivan, Anonymous, Pat Daily, Ernie Condra, Paul Woodruff

Deadline for submissions to the next newsletter is February 15th. Submissions may be mailed to Dick Braun, 5339 Hedgerow Drive, Indianapolis, IN 46226, emailed to dbraun@msbservices.com or leave them at the Canteen and he will pick them up.



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Renovation2011

We're ready to renovate! You can help. Our VFW Post 261 has remained unchanged since it was built in 1974. It's time for a face lift. We've all given time, treasure and talent to many community and statewide initiatives over the last 30 years. We're now looking for donations and grants to support the \$500,000 initiative to:

- Renovate the kitchen, canteen, offices and community room.
- Add new Energy Starr appliances to the kitchen.
- Create an outdoor dining area.
- Rebuild the parking lot.
- Update exterior landscaping, including new signage.

Here's how you can help. First simply spread the word about the updates. We want to support more soldiers returning home and create a community inclusive environment. Tell friends, co-workers and neighbors to stop in for lunch.

Community members can support the project in several ways:

- Buy a memorial brick, flag or tree . Forms are available at the post.
- Make a capital campaign donation.
- Have your company become a Renovation Partner!

Thank you to our Renovation Partners:



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| Dec 26 - Jan 1 | Dec 26 | 27 11:00am 1:00pm Hamburge | 28 BD - John Armstrong 11:00am 1:00pm Tacos \$1.2! | 29 11:00am 1:00pm Pork Chop | 30 11:00am 1:00pm Potato Sou | 31 11:00am 1:00pm Fried Shrin | Jan 1, 11 |
| Jan 2 - 8 | 2 BD Charle Nichels | 3 | 4 11:00am 1:00pm Tacos \$1.2! | 5 BD Bettie Applegate 6:00pm 7:30pm Post Plann | 6 5:00pm 7:00pm Spahetti D | 7 BD Wayne Ruth | 8 BD Marion Meyer Indiana State VFW Judging f Monical's Pizza, 10625 Pendl |
| Jan 9 - 15 | 9 | 10 7:00pm 8:30pm Auxillary M | 11 BD Chooper 11:00am 1:00pm Tacos \$1.2! | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 |
| Jan 16 - 22 | 16 | 17 Martin Luther King, Jr. Day 7:00pm 8:30pm Post Meeti | 18 11:00am 1:00pm Tacos \$1.2! | 19 | 20 | 21 C of A Meeting at State HQ | 22 8:00am 11:00am Auxillary B |
| Jan 23 - 29 | 23 | 24 BD Tom Poreil | 25 11:00am 1:00pm Tacos \$1.2! | 26 BD Lilly Jines | 27 Signing of Vietnam Peace Ac | 28 | 29 |
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| Feb 13 - 19 | 13 | 14 BD Nick Haerberle 7:00pm 8:30pm Auxillary M | 15 Newsletter Submissions Due 11:00am 1:00pm Tacos \$1.2! 12:00pm 12:30pm Newsletter | 16 | 17 | 18 | 19 |
| Feb 20 - 26 | 20 BD Kay Mintor BD Tony Gagbeing | 21 Presidents Day 7:00pm 8:30pm Post Meeti | 22 11:00am 1:00pm Tacos \$1.2! | 23 | 24 | 25 | 26 BD Gregory Owens 8:00am 11:00am Auxillary B |
| Feb 27 - Mar 5 | 27 | 28 | Mar 1 11:00am 1:00pm Tacos \$1.2! | 2 | 3 5:00pm 7:00pm Spahetti D | 4 | 5 |

Name Address Phone number update form.

Please return this form to the Post so we can update our records: Member Number _____

First Name _____ Last Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone (_____) _____ - _____