HAMILTON COUNTY MILITARY VETERAN COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER Q1 2024

The Hamilton County Veterans Corporation is kicking off 2024 with a Newsletter covering Military, Veteran family activities here in Hamilton County. We are starting out with a Quarterly Newsletter, but if it needs to be published monthly, we will do that. This first one is to introduce our Veteran Service Organizations - County Veteran Service Officers, American Legions and VFW's - who have a brick-and-mortar building within our communities.

Listed below are the Hamilton County American Legion and VFW Posts located in our neighborhoods. Every one of them needs our support to help them stay vibrant and alive to continue assisting and caring for our Military, Veterans, their families and our whole community! Each Post offers not only a Service Officer to assist our Veterans in filing claims or seeking financial help when needed, but they are always searching for ways to reach into their local communities to assist and donate their time and money to events, special groups, non-profits who also care for our neighbors. To continue doing all they do for our communities, they need our continued support by coming into their Posts and enjoying time there with friends and family. They are our local family-oriented Bar & Grill with food, drinks, games and plenty of space to host personal parties, or you may rent space for meetings or events to support local activities. Some Posts are open to the public every day while others are open on specific days for food, games, fun and they all look forward to serving you.

As of January, 2024, the Posts that are completely SMOKE FREE, inside, are the Carmel American Legion, Carmel VFW and Noblesville VFW. The Fishers American Legion allows smoking in their enclosed bar area, the rest is non-smoking. The Noblesville American Legion allows smoking in the small game room which is a separate building out front, the Post and meeting rooms are smoke free!! The Sheridan and Cicero American Legions still allow smoking in their Posts.

Carmel American Legion Post 155

852 West Main St, Carmel, In 46032
317-846-0001 Commander Rick Curtis
Post Hours M-Tu 3-10 W-Th 10-10 F-S 10-11, Su 12-8 Public is welcome Tu, Thurs & Fri and for lunch 11-2 &
dinner 5-8 Wed-Fri

Meetings are the first Thursday of the month at 7pm Website & Calendar - https://post155.org/



Facebook - https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=100094085413679

- Pay attention to their Facebook page for special gaming events like
 Texas Hold Em, Bingo, their jackpot totals and game day specials
- Euchre is every Tuesday night at 7pm and the 2nd Friday of each month at 7:30pm



- Treasure Hunt tickets may be purchased at the bar for their drawing every Friday 7pm
- They have a weekly draw on Wednesday at 7pm
- Pull Tabs are available every day at the bar!!
- Post Service Officer may be reached at <u>postserviceofficer@post155.org</u> if you need assistance
- Room Rentals call 317-846-0001 for the Post Manager. They have 3 rooms large enough for 150 people plus outdoor space.

Carmel VFW Post 10003

12863 Old Meridian ST, Carmel, In 46032 317-846-0917 Commander Darin Bibeau Sun - Thurs 11-10pm, F & Sa 11-12am Meetings the 2nd Monday of the month at 630pm



Kitchen serves lunch specials 11-2pm with food service till 8pm. They have a great breakfast every other Saturday. Public is welcome in for food and anytime when signed in with a member.

Facebook page https://www.facebook.com/CarmelVFW

- Check their Facebook page for their weekly updates, lunch specials, music and special events
- Poker is Tues, Fri & Sun noon-midnight, dealers provided, food snacks & drinks available
- Thursdays 7pm is their Treasure Hunt open to the public
- Post Service Officer Shawn Ransford may be reached at <u>shawn.ransford@va.gov</u> if you need assistance
- Contact carmelvfw10003@yahoo.com to rent space for your special events

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Cicero American Legion 341

50 Washington Ave, Cicero, In 317-984-4441 Commander Jeremy Delph M-Th 3-10pm, F-Sa 12-11pm, Sun 12-10pm

Meetings are the 1st & 3rd Thursday of the month at 730pm

Kitchen hours are 4-8pm Tues Wed Fri Sun eat in or order food to go

Public is welcome Mon, Fri & Sat and for their Treasure Hunt at 7pm Tuesdays

Website and calendar - https://cicerolegion341.org/events/

Facebook page - https://www.facebook.com/cicerolegion341

- Pay attention to their Facebook page for special events & Treasure Hunt results
- Weekly drawings are Sundays 6pm, Wednesdays 7pm, Fridays 8pm
- Euchre tournaments are Mondays at 7pm and Saturdays at 4pm
- Bingo is every Friday, 6pm for Early Bingo and 6:30 for Bingo
- Post Service Officer Mary Ringer may be reached by calling the Post at 317-984-4441 if you need assistance

The Cicero VFW meets at the Cicero American Legion Post on the second Tuesday of the month at 7:30pm

Fishers American Legion Post 470

9091 E 126th St, Fishers, In 317-842-5944 Commander Matt Rapp M 12-10, Sa 3-11, Tu, W, Th, Su 12-11, F 12-12 – Open to the public but only members & signed in guests may order alcohol

Meetings are the second Monday of the month at $7 \mathrm{pm}$

Food is served 1-9pm Sun, Tues, Wed, Thurs & Fri

Website and calendar is https://legion470fishers.org/index.php?id=1

Facebook page https://www.facebook.com/FishersLegionPost470

- Bingo is Sunday at 1:30pm and Tuesday 6:30pm
- Texas Holdem is Every Friday at 7pm
- Treasure Hunt is on Fridays at 7pm
- Pool Tournaments are at 6pm, 8 ball 2nd Saturdays, 9 ball 4th

 Saturdays of the month and American Poolplayers Assoc 7pm Wed & Thurs
- Pull Tabs are available at the bar every day







- Every month the Aux schedules a euchre tournament to raise funds for a local non-profit to help our community
- Pay attention to Facebook and their calendar for live music dates, times
- Room rental space is available email Rhonda.Cree78@gmail.com
- Post Service Officer Greg Cyrus may be reached at 317-698-3745 if you need assistance

Noblesville American Legion Post 45

273 S 8th St, Noblesville, In 46060 317-773-9985 Commander John Morris M-Th 11-10pm F 11-12 Sa 12-12pm, Su 12-8pm Meeting is the third Thursday of the month at 7pm

Food is served 4-9pm Tues – Sat

Public is welcome for food and games plus every Friday and the first 3 Saturdays of the month Website - https://www.noblesvilleamericanlegionpost45.com/

Facebook is

https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=100063496781153

 They moved into the Historic Ron Wilson Home and are still restoring the history in the home to make it a wonderful environment for their community!



- Shuffleboard games are every Wednesday at 7pm they have 2 tables
- Treasure Hunt drawings are every Friday 6:45pm Public is welcome
- Pay attention to their Facebook page for updates and special events like Music Bingo on the first & third Saturdays at 7pm
- Rental space is available as well as the kitchen Rental space address 610 Hannibal St.
 Contact huntzingerpost45@yahoo.com or call 317-773-9985
- Post Service Officer may be reached on their website link above if you need assistance

Noblesville VFW Post 6246

654 S 9th St, Noblesville, In 46060 317-773-9956 Commander Rob Loy M-Th 3-8p, F 2-10p, Sa 12-10p, Su 12-8p Meeting is the second Saturday of the month at 11am





Food service is available Mon & Fri 6-9pm & public is welcome No Website/calendar but they have a Facebook page – https://www.facebook.com/post6246/

- Bingo every Friday at 7pm and the public is welcome
- Karaoke is every Saturday 7pm and the public is welcome
- Queen of Hearts is every Wednesday 7pm and the public is welcome
- Pay attention to their Facebook page for special events & food specials
- Post Service Officer Linda Behrens may be reached at 317-773-9956 if you need assistance

Sheridan American Legion Post 67

406 E 10th St, Sheridan, In 317-758-5007 Commander Mike Brunell M 3-9p, Tu-Thurs 11-9p, Fri, Sa 11-10p, Su 1-6p - Public is welcome for lunch and games



Food service - lunch from 11am-2pm Tu, Wed, Thurs & Fri, after lunch bar food (fries, burgers, etc) is available.

Facebook page - https://www.facebook.com/ALPost67/

- Pay attention to their Facebook page for everything
 - Lunch specials posted weekly
 - o Treasure Hunt Friday night at 7pm Public welcome
 - o Bingo 2nd & 4th Thursdays 630pm early bird, 7pm start
 - o Events for the community you can help with...
- Post Service Officer may be reached after they find a qualified member to help Veterans



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Website - https://www.hamiltoncountyveterans.com/ with 40 pages of links to all things Military Veteran related, including our calendar and a page for our July 20, 2024 Hamilton County Community Resource Fair!!

 Our Meetings are the first Monday of the month 7pm at the Fishers American Legion 9091 E 126th St in their American Room. Please come and join us so we may continue to help our local Military Veteran community.

HCVC Facebook page is just starting up. Look for the 'Hamilton County Veterans Corp' on Facebook soon!

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Please call to setup an appointment or walk in as your Hamilton County Veteran Service Officers are ready to help our Military, Veterans and families in the following areas:

- Obtaining your DD-214 military discharge
- Discharge Review
- Filing claims for service connected disability or nonservice connected pensions
- Education benefits
- Survivor Benefits
- VA Medical Care
- G.I. Bill Benefits
- Vocational Rehabilitation
- Burial Benefits
- Property Tax Abatement
- Tuition and Fee Exemption for Children of Disabled Veterans
- Motor Vehicle License Plates

- Resident Veteran Hunting & Fishing License
- Golden Hoosier Passport

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Hamilton County Stronger Veterans Stronger Communities Coalition On the Prevention of Suicide for Service Members, Veterans, their Families & Caregivers

The Coalition has been working with many different resources in Hamilton County for the past 2.5 years and are now teaming up with the IDVA to be the first county in Indiana to launch the Governor's Challenge, a nationwide initiative for suicide prevention. The structure of The Governor's Challenge helped us create our teams and projects to start implementing the Governor's Challenge through grant dollars from the IDVA. We use the three Pillars of the challenge to guide our work - <u>Identification, Connection, and Lethal Means and Safety</u> - and we are currently putting together our Community Plan. We have been encouraged to think big with our ideas and include those organizations that currently serve veterans and bring in their ideas to reach into their local neighborhoods. We are also applying for a Planning Grant to create a 12 to 24 month Strategic Plan for Hamilton County. The Strategic Plan will include our Coalition working with many community partners to reach our Military and Veterans who are not connected, help them feel connected to their communities and further train everyone on lethal means & safety. More to come......

Fishers Armed Services Commission

The drive for this commission is to make a more vibrant community where Military Service is Honored and recognized as a key component to our community's future and wellbeing.

- Meetings are the second Tuesday of the month, 4-530pm Pavilion Conference Room 10 Municipal Dr, Fishers, In 46038.
- Website is https://www.fishers.in.us/1419/Fishers-Armed-Services-Commission where you will find this info and links to make comments, suggestions and see the members of the commission.