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Post meetings held the 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday of each month. SAL meetings held the 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday of each month. All members are invited to attend their meeting.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS			
DATE:	EVENT:	Location	TIME:
MAR 2	Squadron 360 help cook	Post 495, 8725 E 38th St	7:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.
MAR 2	Squadron 360 Social	Post 495, 8725 E 38th St	10:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.
MAR 2	Squadron 360 Meeting	Post 495, 8725 E 38th St	11:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
MAR 5	Vet To Vet Karaoke	230 Welcome Way Blvd	6:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m.
MAR 7	Veterans Social Hour	Post 276, 327 Main St, Beech Grove	6:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.
MAR 7	Post 360 Meeting	327 Main St, Beech Grove & zoom	7:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.
MAR 14	TAL District Meeting	Post 64, 601 S Holt Road	6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.
MAR 16	Cemetery Clean Up	Williams Creek Cemetery, 845 W 96th St	10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
MAR 23	Vet To Vet Kayaking	10979 Florida Road, Fortville, IN 46040	2:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.
MAR 28	SAL District Meeting	Post 88, 1446 Olive St	7:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.
MAR 30	Coffee with a Vet	SchoolHouse 7 Café	8:00 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.
APR 4	Veterans Social Hour	Post 276, 327 Main St, Beech Grove	6:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.
APR 4	Post 360 Meeting	327 Main St, Beech Grove & zoom	7:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.
APR 6	Squadron 360 help cook	Post 495, 8725 E 38th St	7:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.
APR 6	Squadron 360 Social	Post 495, 8725 E 38th St	10:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.
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#### POST COMMANDER'S MESSAGE

We are currently in 2nd place in the district with a current 89.09% ----of our membership goal. The quickest and easiest way to renew if you are already a member of our post is to go to: www.legion.org/renew and renew online.

Our post elections will be coming up in May with new officers being installed in June. Please think about running for any of our officer positions. We also have chairperson positions you can run for, Membership Chair, Public Relations, Scouts, Girl Scouts and many more.

If you have any questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to reach out to me. I can be reached at 317-937- 9779 or christina.owens@legionpost360.org.

#### SAL COMMANDER'S MESSAGE

Our squadron fell to 2<sup>nd</sup> place at 110% of our goal for the year. There will be a detachment wide camping trip from Jun 21-23. Cost is \$15 and includes all meals. Please see attached flyer.

Detachment Commander Paul Rush's project his year is raising money for the Children's Organ Transplant Association (COTA). At our next meeting I would like to continue the discussion how we could raise money to make a donation to this project.

If you have any questions or concerns, please don't' hesitate to reach out to me. I can be reached at 317-413-0719 or dustin.owens88@gmail.com

If you would like to have your information shared in our monthly newsletter, please submit your info to CliffMorlanPost360@gmail.com by the 25<sup>th</sup> of the month to be added to the next monthly newsletter.

#### WELCOME NEW MEMBERS FEBRUARY 2024

Katie Spencer - IUI Student - Legion

Shane Lamartz - Community member- Legion

Anna Kennelly - Community Member - Legion

Aaron J Shaw - Dual Member - SAL

Bobby Shaw - Community Member - SAL

David Rucker - Community Member - Legion

Patrick Finnegan – IUI Faculty – Legion

Lannette Hatcher - MCVSO - Legion

Nicole Castillo - Community Member - Legion

#### WHAT'S HAPPENING

Mar 2<sup>nd</sup>, come join Squadron 360 for our monthly social hour at Post 495. Some of the members will arrive at 7am to help cook the breakfast. The rest will meet at 10am and enjoy the "all you eat" breakfast together. Breakfast is cooked by Post 360 SAL and other volunteers, and it costs \$9.00 per person cash only.

Mar 2<sup>nd</sup>, our Squadron meeting will start at 11am right after the social hour. We will be having our meeting in person. We will be sharing information about some of our upcoming events at this meeting.

Mar 5<sup>th</sup>, join Indy Vet to Vet for a night of karaoke starting at 6pm at 230 Welcome Way Blvd, Indianapolis, IN 46214. Food and drinks will be provided.

Mar 7<sup>th</sup>, come join the IUPUI Veterans Faculty Staff Council for our monthly veteran's social hour at Post 276. We will meet at 6pm and have dinner together. Please bring your dinner with you or you can order a pizza from the bar.

Mar 7<sup>th</sup>, our post meeting will start at 7pm right after the social hour. We will be having our meeting in person and via zoom for those that can't make the physical meeting. We will be sharing information about some of our upcoming events at this meeting.

Mar 14<sup>th</sup>, Legion members come on out to a District Meeting to learn about the many programs the American Legion does to support our veterans and the community.

Mar 16<sup>th</sup>, please come out to support our monthly community service project at Williams Creek Cemetery. This will be our 4<sup>th</sup> year being a partner with the Williams Creek Cemetery Volunteer Group. We will be doing light lawncare and clean up of debris. Drinks and snacks will be provided, this is a family fun activity.

Mar 23<sup>rd</sup>, join Indy Vet to Vet for a fun day of kayaking from 2p-8p at Geist Park, 10979 Florida Road, Fortville, IN 46040. Drinks and snacks will be provided. They will have some kayaks on site if you would like to join.

Mar 28<sup>th</sup>, SAL members come on out to a District Meeting to learn about the many programs the Sons of the American Legion does to support our veterans and the community.

Mar 30<sup>th</sup>, come out join fellow veterans for the monthly "Coffee With A Veteran" at SchoolHouse 7 Café, 12125 Cyntheanne Rd, Fishers, IN 46037 from 8a-9a. I hope to keep the momentum moving forward.

Please see attached flyers for more information on different veteran related events in our community.

#### **TAPS**

N/A

#### **MARCH BIRTHDAYS**

Vincent Carr – Legion
John Gullion – Legion
Rich Joubert – Legion
Anna Kennelly – Legion
Ronald McCann – Legion
Josh Raffanti – Legion
Christopher Schneider – Legion
Eamon Shaw – SAL
Charles Wolfe – Legion



\*Please be advised that there are several Legion members and SAL members that we do not have a birthday on file. Please email Legion/SAL Membership Chairman Morlan at <a href="mailto:cliffmorlanpost360@gmail.com">cliffmorlanpost360@gmail.com</a> with your date of birth so that we can make sure to keep our records updated

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### EVERYONE'S INVITED TO

INDY VET TO VET

KARAOKE NIGHT

TUESDAY, MARCH 5TH

6PM IN THE CLUBHOUSE BALLROOM

NEIGHBORCARE

230 WELCOME WAY BLVD

NO SINGING OR DANCING REQUIRED





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Join us for Kayaking, Fishing, or just some good ol' R&R in a tent-covered area by the water!

Snacks & drinks provided. Please bring your own lawn chair if possible.

Reach out to Aaron Shaw with questions or RSVP! 317-737-6927

SOME WOUNDS AREN'T VISIBLE.



Geist Park 10979 Florida Rd Fortville, IN 46040



# American Legion Family Campout June 21-23, 2024

#### Jonesboro American Legion Post 95

6440 East 500 South, Gas City, IN 46933

(SPONSORED BY SONS OF THE AMERICAN LEGION, DETACHMENT OF INDIANA AND HOSTED BY SONS OF THE AMERICAN LEGION, JONESBORO SQUADRON 95)



#### Open to All American Legion Family Members

(Please make copies as needed)

#### **Lipstick to Camo**

A Monthly Women Veterans Group



#### Are you looking for a safe space to learn and discuss topics of interest to Women Veterans?

What it is? Lipstick to Camo offers a therapist lead monthly group about topics that are important to Women Veterans. Topics will vary month to month, please look for details in your newsletter, ask your therapist, or call 317-423-1680 for more details. To participate you must be enrolled at the Indianapolis Vet Center.

Who can attend? Any Woman Veteran (or Veteran that identifies as a Woman)

When is it? The second Wednesday of every month 5:30pm to 6:30pm

**March 13, 2024:** Introduction to Whole Health. Guest speaker Whole Health Coach Amanda Swinea explains what Whole health is, and how it can improve your life.

**April 10, 2024:** Intro to Yoga. Guest Presenter Dr Melanie Lobraco, clinical psychologist provides an intro to Yoga experience and answers questions about the mind and body connection.



#### LGBTQ+ Health Awareness Resource Fair

#### **Brownsburg Outpatient Clinic**

557 Pit Road Brownsburg, IN 46112

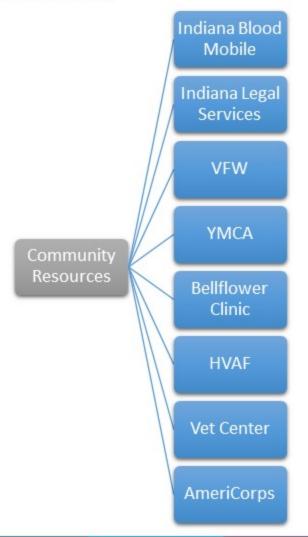
#### Thursday, March 21st

#### 12:00pm-4:00pm

Join us at the clinic atrium to learn more about LGBTQ+ Health and connect to Education and Resources available at your local VA as well as in the community!

\*For more information, contact Alicia Harding, LGBTQ+ Social Worker, at 317-988-0262 or alicia.harding@va.gov









#### **MISSION: Sankofa**

#### A Monthly Group for Black Veterans

If you are a Veteran of Afro/African (Black) descent who feels like you don't fit in or that you aren't understood by other veterans? This group was created specifically with you in mind. Here is your opportunity to create a safe space with Veterans who have similar military and cultural experiences as you.

**What it is?** MISSION: Sankofa offers a therapist led monthly group about topics that are important to Black/African American Veterans. The topics discussed will vary month to month and can change based upon group needs. If you are interested, please contact Dr. Tay Robinson at 317-423-1680. To participate you must be eligible to be enrolled at the Indianapolis Vet Center.

Who can attend? Any Vet Center eligible Veteran of Afro/African Descent

When is it? The first Wednesday of every month from 5:00pm to 6:15pm

February 7<sup>th</sup>, 2024: Being Black in the

military: Telling Our Stories





# Are You a Career Ready VETERAN?

#### LAFAYETTE WORKONE

Are You a Veteran?

Thank you for your service!

WorkOne Lafayette invites you

to participate in the

Career Ready VETERAN All-Day Workshop

on

Monday, March 4, 2024

Be ready for the VETERAN JOB FAIR on March 5, 2024.

The Career Ready VETERAN Workshops: 9:00-10:30 AM Resumes 11:00 AM-12:00 PM Job Searching 1:30 -3:00 PM Interviewing

You will have an opportunity to talk with Don Nedza, Lafayette Disabled Veteran's Outreach Program Specialist. Our workshop instructor has many years' experience in preparing job seekers who are ready to move their careers forward. Join us!

Lafayette WorkOne 820 Park East Blvd. Lafayette, IN 47905 Scan the QR Code for a map and directions.











## VETERAN JOB FAIR

LAFAYETTE WORKONE

#### **VETERANS, WE INVITE YOU!**

Lafayette Area employers are cordially invited to attend this Veterans Only Job Fair at Lafayette WorkOne on Tuesday, March 5th, 2024 from 1 PM - 4 PM.

Lafayette WorkOne 820 Park East Blvd. Lafayette, IN 47905

#### **A SPECIAL GUEST JOINS US!**

Area Veterans, thank you for your service! Join us. Employers will be on site to meet you and give you an opportunity to learn more about exciting careers in the Lafayette Area. Also, USDOL Assistant Secretary for Veterans' Employment and Training Service (VETS), James D. Rodriguez is planning to attend the Veteran Job Fair. This is a great opportunity for him to see the efforts for Vets in progress in the Lafayette Area.

Scan the QR Code for a map and directions.





