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VFW POST 8561

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A FAMILY FRIENDLY POST

COMMANDER: GLENNBOB TALLEY

NEXT MEETING: 17 MAY 18 1900

May 2018 Post Commander Newsletter Comments

Greetings . . .

This VFW year will be history in another month with the end of the Texas VFW State Convention.

CONGRATULATIONS

To the newly elected officers for 2018-2019

Currently, we are at 94% membership. All other VFW programs have been complied with. We need 18 new/renewed members to make membership. The underlying problem with membership is, for the first time that I know of, we have lost more members deceased (19) than we have recruited. It doesn't take a Rocket Scientist to figure out what the future of the Post is if we don't reverse that trend.

The VFW Business Meeting is scheduled for 17 May at 1900

District 21 Meeting with 2018-2019 Officer nominations/elections and installation will take place at VFW post 9299, Alvarado at 1000 on 20 May.

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Glenn

Come and join us! Bring Your Friends!

Help Keep Your Post Alive!!!





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VFW at a Glance

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IS YOU!

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1900

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7:30PM



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13th Annual Awards Ceremony

U.S.A.F. JRROTC



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SELAH REIGN JONES

2017-2018
VFW POST 8561
PATRIOTS PEN
AWARD WINNER



CORBAN REDMAN

2017-2018
VFW POST 8561
VOICE OF DEMOCRACY
AWARD WINNER





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POOL TOURNAMENT RESULTS

As Of 25 APR 2018

NAME	DATE	MATCH	PLACE
GARY DAVIS AND TIM DICKERSON	25-Apr-18	1	1ST
GINA ROBELLO AND FRANKIE REISINGER	25-Apr-18	1	2ND
HOLGER BAUHAUS AND FRANKIE REISINGER	25-Apr-18	2	1ST
GINA ROBELLO AND GARY DAVIS	25-Apr-18	2	2ND
EDDIE HUTCHESON AND MARK KAERICHER	18-Apr-18	1	1ST
GARY DAVIS AND BILLY ROBINSON	18-Apr-18	1	2ND
JAMES MARTINEZ AND BILLY ROBINSON	18-Apr-18	2	1ST
BEVERLY ROBINSON AND EDDIE HUTCHESON	18-Apr-18	2	2ND
BEVERLY ROBINSON AND EDDIE HUTCHESON	11-Apr-18	1	1ST
TIM DICKERSON AND VERNON WARD	11-Apr-18	1	2ND
TIM DICKERSON AND CHRIS MAYES	11-Apr-18	2	1ST
BEVERLY ROBINSON AND FRANKIE REISINGER	11-Apr-18	2	2ND
HOLGER BAUHAUS AND OUIGIE BUDA	4-Apr-18	1	1ST
EDDIE HUTCHESON AND VERNON WARD	4-Apr-18	1	2ND
MELINDA GOFORTH AND GARY DAVIS	4-Apr-18	2	1ST
HOLGER BAUHAUS AND EDDIE HUTCHESON	4-Apr-18	2	2ND



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THANK YOU !
TO ARLINGTON
MOOSE LODGE 1932
FOR LETTING US
HAVE A ROOF OVER
OUR HEAD.

To All Veterans



Whether At Home Or Abroad
Active Duty ~ Reserves ~ Retired
All Americans Say:
THANK YOU!

Friends Don't let Friends Drive Drunk..



MEMBERSHIP

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VFW LIFETIME MEMBERSHIP FEES

AGE ATTAINED 31 DECEMBER OF THE YEAR APPLYING

YEARS	FEES\$	\$/MONTH
THROUGH 30	\$425	\$38.64
31-40	\$410	\$37.27
41-50	\$375	\$34.09
51-60	\$335	\$30.45
61-70	\$290	\$26.36
71-80	\$225	\$20.45
80+	\$170	\$15.45

ANNUAL DUES: \$35

AUX LIFETIME MEMBERSHIP FEES

AGE ATTAINED 31 DECEMBER OF THE YEAR APPLYING

YEARS	FEES\$	\$/MONTH
THROUGH 20	\$220	\$19.86
21-25	\$210	\$18.96
26-30	\$200	\$18.06
31-35	\$190	\$17.15
36-40	\$185	\$16.70
41-45	\$175	\$15.80
46-50	\$170	\$15.35
51-55	\$160	\$14.44
56-60	\$150	\$13.54
61-65	\$140	\$12.64
66-70	\$130	\$11.74
71-75	\$115	\$10.38
76-80	\$95	\$8.58
81-85	\$75	\$6.77
86-90	\$60	\$5.42
91+	\$50	\$4.51

ANNUAL DUES: \$27

LIFE MEMBERSHIPS

SAVE MONEY!

JUN 2018

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1	2
3	4	5 •WOTM	6 •8 BALL POOL TOURNEY -1900	7	8	9
10 •GROUP PLEDGE / FLAG DAY CEREMONY - 1300 •US ARMY BIRTHDAY (CELEBRATED)- 1300	11	12 •LOOM MEETING - 1900 •JOINT MOOSE MEETING	13 •VFW STATE CONVENTION - HOUSTON •8 BALL POOL TOURNEY -1900	14 •VFW STATE CONVENTION - HOUSTON	15 •VFW STATE CONVENTION - HOUSTON	16 •VFW STATE CONVENTION - HOUSTON
17 •VFW STATE CONVENTION - HOUSTON	18	19 •WOTM	20 •8 BALL POOL TOURNEY -1900	21 •VFW VETS MTG - 1900 •VFW POST 8561 AUXILIARY MONTHLY MEETING - 7:30PM •D-DAY 6 JUN 1944 FR INVASION REMEMBRANCE	22	23
24	25	26 •LOOM MEETING - 1900	27 •8 BALL POOL TOURNEY -1900	28	29	



AM I ELIGIBLE TO JOIN THE VFW OR AUXILIARY?

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WE WANT YOU TO JOIN US!




**ASK ME HOW TO
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OR AUXILIARY**



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**IF YOU ARE GOUCHY, IRRITABLE,
OR JUST PLAIN MEAN ...**



**THERE WILL BE A
\$10 CHARGE
FOR PUTTING UP WITH YOU!**

*If you do anything for your Community . . donate
magazines, help a vet with raking leaves . etc . .
please let us know! Your VFW Post can get credit for
that! We have Tax Exempt status, not only as a non-
profit organization, but also for Community Service
activities!*

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Origins

In 1899, the American Veterans of Foreign Service (Columbus, Ohio) and the National Society of the Army of the Philippines (Denver, Colo.) were organized to secure rights and benefits for veterans of the Spanish-American War (1898) and the Philippines War (1899-1902). These two organizations merged in 1914, creating the Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States. VFW was chartered by Congress in 1936.

Membership Eligibility

Those serving honorably in the U.S. Armed Forces in a foreign war or overseas operation recognized by a campaign medal, in Korea after June 30, 1949, and recipients of hostile-fire or imminent danger pay. Veterans of World War II, Korea, Vietnam, Lebanon, Grenada, Panama, Persian Gulf, Somalia, Kosovo, Afghanistan, Iraq and other smaller expeditionary campaigns, as well as occupation duty, qualify.

Partner Organization

A national volunteer service organization, the Auxiliary of the VFW was founded in 1914 and is the backbone of many local VFW volunteer efforts.

Membership Size

Nearly 1.7 million VFW and Auxiliary members in all 50 states, and many foreign countries.

Organizational Structure

Thousands convene each year at VFW's national convention to elect officers, adopt resolutions and discuss business affairs. Leading the organization are the elected commander-in-chief, senior vice commander-in-chief and junior vice commander-in-chief. The National Council of Administration serves as the VFW's board of directors.

Nearly 6,400 Posts worldwide comprise 52 Departments in the 50 states, the Asia/Pacific Areas and Europe. Posts form the basic local chapter.

Priority Issues

- **Budget:** Secure full funding for programs and services for veterans, service members and their families by ending sequestration.
- **Health Care:** Ensure veterans have timely access to high quality, comprehensive and veteran-centric health care, and secure sufficient funding for the VA Health Care System.
- **Women Veterans:** Expand women's health care services to all VA medical centers to ensure the growing number of women veterans have access to gender-specific services.
- **Suicide Prevention & Homelessness:** Work with VA, DOD and Congress to reduce the rate of suicide and homelessness among veterans.
- **VA Benefits & Compensation:** Ensure veterans and their dependents have timely access to earned benefits.
- **Seamless Transition:** Improve education, employment and transition programs so veterans have an opportunity to obtain meaningful employment after leaving military service.
- **Military Quality of Life:** Fight to maintain a quality and comprehensive benefits and retirement package that is the backbone for an all volunteer force.
- **Education & Employment:** Fight to sustain G.I. Bill benefits and insist on strengthening USERRA. Continue to improve licensing and credentialing for military skills.
- **Defense & Homeland Security:** Fully support the troops and their mission in the war on terrorism, and to secure U.S. borders against all enemies, both foreign and domestic, who are intent on doing us harm.
- **POW/MIA:** Achieve the fullest possible accounting of America's 83,000 MIAs from World War II forward.



VFW POST 8561 / CALENDAR

May 2018 ▾



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		1 • <u>WOTM</u>	2 • <u>8 BALL POOL TOURNEY</u> -1900	3	4	5
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20 • <u>DISTRICT 21 MEETING</u> <u>1000 POST 9299</u> <u>ALVARADO</u>	21	22 • <u>LOOM MEETING - 1900</u>	23 • <u>8 BALL POOL TOURNEY</u> -1900	24	25	26
27	28 • <u>ELKS CEREMONY AT</u> <u>NOON</u>	29	30 • <u>8 BALL POOL TOURNEY</u> -1900	31		

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