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*Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States*



**MAR 19**



**GREAT SOUTHWEST MEMORIAL**

**VFW POST 8561**



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VFW POST 8561 NEWSLETTER MAR 2019 V1

**A FAMILY FRIENDLY POST**

**COMMANDER: GLENBOB TALLEY**

**NEXT MEETING: 21 MAR 19 1900**



Greetings!

**ATTENTION  
NOMINATIONS  
VFW POST  
OFFICERS  
2019-2020  
THURSDAY  
21 MAR 19  
1900**

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As of 1 March we need 5 renewal/new applicants to make membership goal. Lets get this done this month so we don't have that to do.

We lost Bruce Click and Dennis Swindle in February. Two more Viet Nam Veterans gone.

March meeting means nominations for 2019-2020 Officer Chairs. We must fill these chairs in order to maintain our charter.

**Elections will be in April.**

Help out your Post.

It is a pretty easy job since we don't have a building to worry about.

Think about it.

Review the Website, Newsletters, and Email Readfiles! Stay on top of what's happening at YOUR POST!

**Glenn**

Come and join us! Bring Your Friends!

Help Keep Your Post Alive!!!





VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS

**NO ONE DOES MORE FOR VETERANS.**

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# VFW at a Glance

*The VFW is a nonprofit veterans service organization composed of eligible veterans and military service members from the active, Guard and Reserve forces. The VFW and its Auxiliaries are dedicated to veterans service, legislative advocacy, and military and community service programs.*

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MOVED . . .  
IF YOU HAVE  
CHANGED EMAIL  
ADDRESSES . . .  
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VIA AN EMAIL TO:

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**THANK YOU!**



THE ONLY  
ONE  
MISSING  
IS YOU!

**COME JOIN US!**

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**POST 8561**  
**MEETING**  
**21 MAR 19**  
**1900**

**VFW**  
**POST 8561**  
**AUXILIARY**  
**MEETING**  
**14 MAR 19**  
**7:00PM**



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**POST OFFICERS**  
**2018-2019**



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**2018-2019**



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# COMMUNITY SERVICE

IF YOU WANT TO HELP YOUR POST GAIN RECOGNITION

PERFORM COMMUNITY SERVICE AND THEN REPORT IT!

Whether you volunteer at the local food bank  
or do your neighbors lawn work,

**Report the Activity!**

## REPORTING REQUIREMENTS:

A. **DESCRIBE** THE ACTIVITY AND LIST ALL VFW MEMBERS WHO PARTICIPATED.

B. TAKE **TWO PHOTOS WITH SOMETHING VFW IN IT** (HAT OR SHIRT) OF MEMBERS PERFORMING ACTIVITY. PREFERABLY INCLUDE A CHILD.

C. **RECORD:**

HOURS SPENT

MONEY COLLECTED / SPENT

MILAGE

REPORT ALL THIS INFORMATION AND PHOTOS TO:

**INFO@VFWPOST8561.ORG**



**DON'T FORGET**



**SET YOUR CLOCKS  
1 HOUR AHEAD  
10 MAR 19 / 0200**

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IN SOMALIA**

**UNOSOM  
APR 1992 - MAR 1995**



**REMEMBRANCE  
WEDNESDAY  
20 MAR 2019**

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**KOSOVO**

**CAMPAIGN  
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**POOL TOURNAMENT RESULTS**

As Of 27 FEB 2019

NAME	DATE	MATCH	PLACE
BILLY ROBINSON AND VERNON WARD	27-Feb-19	1	1ST
BEVERLY ROBINSON AND GARY DAVIS	27-Feb-19	1	2ND
BILLY ROBINSON AND VERNON WARD	27-Feb-19	2	1ST
MELINDA GOFORTH AND BEVERLY ROBINSON	27-Feb-19	2	2ND
GARY DAVIS AND BILL COWBOY OTTMERS	20-Feb-19	1	1ST
FLORENCE OTTMERS AND VERNON WARD	20-Feb-19	1	2ND
VANESSA MARSHALL AND GARY DAVIS	20-Feb-19	2	1ST
FRANKIE REISINGER AND VERNON WARD	20-Feb-19	2	2ND
VANESSA MARSHALL AND GARY DAVIS	13-Feb-19	1	1ST
RON CLAWSON AND VERNAN WARD	13-Feb-19	1	2ND
GINA ROBELLO AND TIM DICKERSON	13-Feb-19	2	1ST
BEVERLY ROBINSON AND FRANKIE REISINGER	13-Feb-19	2	2ND
BEVERLY ROBINSON AND VERNON WARD	6-Feb-19	1	1ST
MELINDA GOFORTH AND GARY DAVIS	6-Feb-19	1	2ND
VANESSA MARSHALL AND FRANKIE REISINGER	6-Feb-19	2	1ST
GARY DAVIS AND VERNON WARD	6-Feb-19	2	2ND

CHECK THE POST WEBSITE FOR LINKS TO LOCAL, DISTRICT, STATE AND NATIONAL VFW INFORMATION!



**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

## V F W

## A U X

### VFV LIFETIME MEMBERSHIP FEES

#### AGE ATTAINED 31 DECEMBER OF THE YEAR APPLYING

YEARS	FEE\$	\$/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	FEE\$	\$/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!

# MAR 2019

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2 •VVOITM	3 •8 BALL POOL TOURNEY -1:	4	5	6 •CHILI COOKOFF - 1400
7	8	9 •LOOM MEETING - 1900 •JOINT MOOSE MEETING	10 •8 BALL POOL TOURNEY -1:	11 •VFW POST 8561 AUXILIAR	12	13
14	15	16 •VVOITM	17 •8 BALL POOL TOURNEY -1:	18 •VFW VETS MTG - 1900	19	20
21	22	23 •LOOM MEETING - 1900	24 •8 BALL POOL TOURNEY -1:	25	26	27
28	29	30				



**AM I ELIGIBLE  
TO JOIN  
THE VFW OR AUXILIARY?**

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**WE WANT  
YOU  
TO JOIN US!**



ASK ME HOW TO  
JOIN THE VFW  
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**

March 2019



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1	2
3	4	5 • <a href="#">WOTM</a>	6 • <a href="#">8 BALL POOL TOURNEY - 1900</a>	7	8	9
10 • <a href="#">DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME +1HR</a>	11	12 • <a href="#">LOOM MEETING - 1900</a> • <a href="#">JOINT MOOSE MEETING</a>	13 • <a href="#">8 BALL POOL TOURNEY - 1900</a>	14 • <a href="#">VFW POST 8561 AUXILIARY MONTHLY MEETING - 7:30PM</a>	15	16
17	18	19 • <a href="#">WOTM</a>	20 • <a href="#">8 BALL POOL TOURNEY - 1900</a> • <a href="#">SOMALIA REMEMBRANCE</a>	21 • <a href="#">VFW VETS MTG - 1900</a> • <a href="#">VFW NOMINATIONS!</a> • <a href="#">KOSOVO REMEMBRANCE</a>	22	23
24	25	26 • <a href="#">LOOM MEETING - 1900</a>	27 • <a href="#">8 BALL POOL TOURNEY - 1900</a>	28	29	30
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