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GREAT SOUTHWEST MEMORIAL  
VFW POST 8561



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VFW POST 8561 NEWSLETTER APR 2019 V1

A FAMILY FRIENDLY POST



# COMMANDER: GLENNBOB TALLEY

## NEXT MEETING: 18 APR 19 1900



Commander's Newsletter Comments April 2019

VFW POST 8561 and Auxiliary Present

### MESS FOR VETS

Chili & BBQ

SETUP: 6:00 AM  
COOKING MEETINGS: 9:00 AM  
For More Info Call:  
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April 6, 2019  
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THE POST IS HAVING A CHILI COOKOFF ON SATURDAY, APRIL 6!  
COME JOIN US FOR A GREAT VFW DAY!

As of now we are accomplishing the requirements as required in the National and State Bylaws to keep our Charter. On Thursday night, 19 April, we will, again, try to accomplish, arguably, the most important one: the election of Post Officers for the 2019-2020 VFW year.

We must fill each required chair in order to retain our post charter. In 2015 the membership decided it would not/could not support a post home. Folks we are real close to deciding if we are going to continue the support of the retention of the post charter. 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

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

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**THANK YOU!**



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ONE  
MISSING  
IS YOU!

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**POST 8561**  
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**18 APR 19**  
**1900**

**VFW**  
**POST 8561**  
**AUXILIARY**  
**MEETING**  
**11 APR 19**  
**7:00PM**



**VFW POST 8561**  
**POST OFFICERS**  
**2018-2019**



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**ATTENTION**

**ELECTIONS**

**VFW POST**

**AND AUX**

**OFFICERS**

**2019-2020**

**AT YOUR MONTHLY**

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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**



20190320 SOMALIA VPR



20190321 KOSOVO VPR



**POOL TOURNAMENT RESULTS**

As Of 27 MAR 2019

NAME	DATE	MATCH	PLACE
RIC SELVERA AND VERNON WARD	27-Mar-19	1	1ST
BEVERLY ROBINSON AND FRANKIE REISINGER	27-Mar-19	1	2ND
BEVERLY ROBINSON AND VERNON WARD	27-Mar-19	2	1ST
MELINDA GOFORTH AND GARY DAVIS	27-Mar-19	2	2ND
GARY DAVIS AND FRANKIE REISINGER	20-Mar-19	1	1ST
JOHN MICHAEL HUEY AND VERNON WARD	20-Mar-19	1	2ND
JONATHAN OVILLA AND VERNON WARD	20-Mar-19	2	1ST
CHRIS MAYES AND BILLY ROBINSON	20-Mar-19	2	2ND
BILLY GOFORTH AND FRANKIE REISINGER	13-Mar-19	1	1ST
MELINDA GOFORTH AND JUSTIN GREGORY	13-Mar-19	1	2ND
BEVERLY ROBINSON AND JUSTIN GREGORY	13-Mar-19	2	1ST
CHRIS MAYES AND JONATHAN OVILLA	13-Mar-19	2	2ND
TIM DICKERSON AND FRANKIE REISINGER	6-Mar-19	1	1ST
BEVERLY ROBINSON AND BILLY ROBINSON	6-Mar-19	1	2ND
TIM DICKERSON AND BILLY ROBINSON	6-Mar-19	2	1ST
GARY DAVIS AND FRANKIE REISINGER	6-Mar-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

### VFW 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!



# MAY 2019

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 •8 BALL POOL TOURNEY -1!	2	3 •AFJROTC Annual Military B	4
5	6	7 •WOTM	8 •8 BALL POOL TOURNEY -1!	9 •VFW POST 8561 AUXILIAR	10	11
12	13	14 •LOOM MEETING - 1900 •JOINT MOOSE MEETING	15 •8 BALL POOL TOURNEY -1!	16 •VFW VETS MTG - 1900 •VICTORY IN EUROPE 8 MA	17	18
19	20	21 •WOTM	22 •8 BALL POOL TOURNEY -1!	23	24	25
26	27 •ELKS CEREMONY AT NOON	28 •LOOM MEETING - 1900	29 •8 BALL POOL TOURNEY -1!	30		





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

<http://www.vfwpost8561.org/JOINVFW.HTML>






## 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

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28	29	30				

For questions regarding this calendar, contact: [Webmaster: BJ Lasik](#)

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