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Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States



JUN 19



**GREAT SOUTHWEST MEMORIAL
VFW POST 8561**



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A FAMILY FRIENDLY POST

COMMANDER: GLENBOB TALLEY

NEXT MEETING: 20 JUN 19 1900



Greetings,

**99th Annual
TEXAS VFW
STATE CONVENTION**

**June 12-16, 2019
Westin Galleria Houston
5060 West Alabama Houston, Texas 77056
(713) 960-8100**

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TO GET ALL THE DETAILS**

The last month of the 2018-2019 VFW year is upon us, The 99th Annual Texas VFW State Convention, June 12-16, 2019 at the Westin Galleria Houston. This is a great chance to observe the election process of the state officers and get a good idea of how the Department operates. Friday and Saturday are the best days to attend.

All required programs are complete, except membership.

Sunday June 09th we will observe the Army Birthday at the Moose Lodge starting at 1300. We will also observe Flag Day. Bring your favorite covered dish and come and join us.

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

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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.

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

INFO@VFWPOST8561.ORG

THANK YOU!



THE ONLY
ONE
MISSING
IS YOU!

COME JOIN **US!**

NO ONE DOES MORE FOR VETERANS

WELCOME TO
GREAT SOUTHWEST MEMORIAL
VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS POST 8561

P. O. BOX 1125
Arlington, Texas 76004-1125
214-683-8792

VFW
POST 8561
MEETING
20 JUN 19
1900

VFW
POST 8561
AUXILIARY
MEETING
13 JUN 19
7:00PM



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2018-2019



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2018-2019



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VFW POST 8561 GROUP PLEDGE

SUNDAY
09 JUN 2019 - 1PM
Moose Lodge 1932
3210 Pleasant Valley Ln. Ste "A"
Arlington, TX 76015-2906
(817) 261-9997
<http://www.vfwpost8561.org>



U.S. ARMY BIRTHDAY Celebration

VFW 8561

Moose Lodge 1932
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Arlington, TX 76015-2906
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Sunday 09 JUN 2019

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Please See Gary Davis, or Any Post Officer if you wish to make a Donation. Thank You!

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D-DAY INVASION OF FRANCE 06 JUNE 1944



THURSDAY
REMEMBRANCE
20 JUN 2019

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Timberview HS



14th Annual Awards Ceremony

**VFW JRROTC AWARD
WINNER
CADET CAITLYN TAYLOR**



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

VE-DAY VICTORY IN EUROPE 08 MAY 1945



REMEMBERED ON
THURSDAY
16 MAY 19

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LOYALTY DAY !



AWARDS AND CEREMONY
OPEN TO THE PUBLIC - BRING YOUR FRIENDS!

Moose Lodge 1932
3210 Pleasant Valley Ln.
Arlington, TX 76015-2906
(817) 261-9997 MOOSE
(214) 683-8792 VFW
<http://www.vfwpost8561.org>



27 MAY 2019 | NOON



**MEMORIAL
DAY**

**ELKS
LODGE
2114** 601 West Pioneer Parkway,
ARL TX

(817) 277-2114 Arlington, TX 76010

**Request all VFW Post 8561 Members
Attend the Ceremony . . .**





POOL TOURNAMENT RESULTS

As Of 29 MAY 2019

NAME	DATE	MATCH	PLACE
MELINDA GOFORTH AND BILLY GOFORTH	29-May-19	1	1ST
BILLY ROBINSON AND VERNON WARD	29-May-19	1	2ND
BILLY GOFORTH AND TIM MARTIN	29-May-19	2	1ST
VANESSA MARSHALL AND BILLY ROBINSON	29-May-19	2	2ND
VANESSA MARSHALL AND FRANKIE REISINGER	22-May-19	1	1ST
GARY DAVIS AND CHRIS MAYES	22-May-19	1	2ND
MELINDA GOFORTH AND GARY DAVIS	22-May-19	2	1ST
VANESSA MARSHALL AND BILLY GOFORTH	22-May-19	2	2ND
BEVERLY ROBINSON AND FRANKIE REISINGER	15-May-19	1	1ST
RON CLAWSON AND CHRIS MAYES	15-May-19	1	2ND
GARY DAVIS AND RON CLAWSON	15-May-19	2	1ST
BEVERLY ROBINSON AND FRANKIE REISINGER	15-May-19	2	2ND
BILLY GOFORTH AND BILLY ROBINSON	8-May-19	1	1ST
CHRIS MAYES AND FRANKIE REISINGER	8-May-19	1	2ND
GINA ROBELLO AND FRANKIE REISINGER	8-May-19	2	1ST
MELINDA GOFORTH AND BILLY GOFORTH	8-May-19	2	2ND
MELINDA GOFORTH AND FRANKIE REISINGER	1-May-19	1	1ST
GARY DAVIS AND BILLY ROBINSON	1-May-19	1	2ND
MELINDA GOFORTH AND VANESSA MARSHALL	1-May-19	2	1ST
FRANKIE REISINGER AND BILLY ROBINSON	1-May-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

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VFV 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!

JUL 2019

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2 •WOTM	3 •8 BALL POOL TOURNEY -1:	4	5	6
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 •WOTM	17 •8 BALL POOL TOURNEY -1:	18 •VFW VETS MTG - 1900 •KOREAN ARMISTICE REMER	19	20
21	22	23 •LOOM MEETING - 1900	24 •8 BALL POOL TOURNEY -1:	25	26	27
28	29	30	31 •8 BALL POOL TOURNEY -1:			



**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

June 2019



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

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