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Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States



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GREAT SOUTHWEST MEMORIAL

VFW POST 8561

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A FAMILY FRIENDLY POST

COMMANDER: GLENNOB TALLEY

NEXT MEETING: 19 DEC 19 1900



Greetings!

The Holiday Season is upon us and I wish each of you a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. Can't say it any better than that.

The Post has done extremely well in all Programs. Great Team Effort!!

Lots of Holiday events happening around town this month. Enjoy and be safe.



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.

www.vfw.org

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!

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WELCOME TO
GREAT SOUTHWEST MEMORIAL
VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS POST 8561

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VFW
POST 8561
MEETING
19 DEC 19
1900

VFW
POST 8561
AUXILIARY
MEETING
12 DEC 19
7:00PM



VFW POST 8561
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2019-2020



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2019-2020



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**PEARL
HARBOR
REMEMBRANCE
CEREMONY**



**PLEASE WEAR
SOMETHING
V F W**

**19 DEC 19
1930**

**VFW POST
8561**



**Held At Moose Lodge 1932
3210 Pleasant Valley Ln. Ste "A"
Arlington, TX 76015-2906
VFW 214-683-8792
<http://www.vfwpost8561.org>**

**VISITORS
MUST SHOW
PASS**



**Remember
Our Troops
This Holiday
Season**

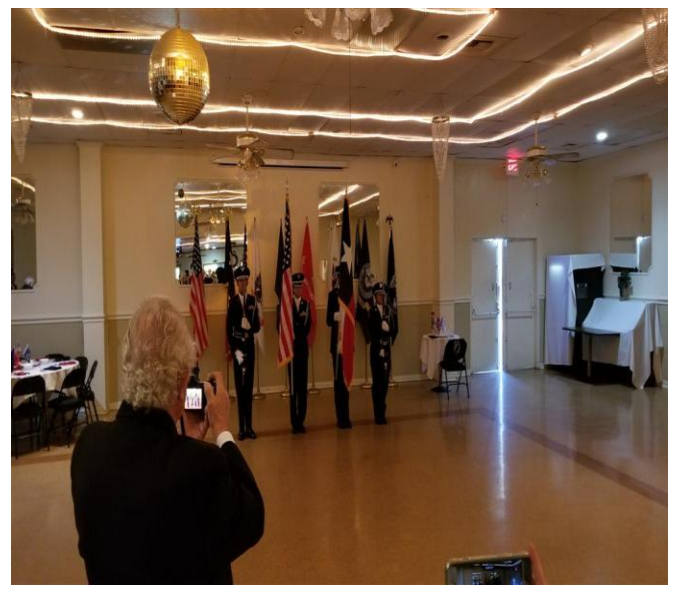


19th Annual Military Appreciation Dinner Dance
02 NOVEMBER 2019

COCKTAILS 5-6PM
Peel & Eat Shrimp with Crackers and Cheeses
DINNER 6-7:30PM
"PRIME RIB OR CHICKEN SCALLOPINI"
MIXED WINTER VEGETABLE BLEND
FONDANT POTATOES
SALAD, DESSERT, ROLLS

TREY HOUSTON
DINNER MUSIC 5PM-7:30PM
DANCE MUSIC 8PM-12AM

\$30/PERSON - \$35 AT THE DOOR
AFTER "5" TICKETS CALL:
RON TOWNSEND 817-917-0282
MAC MCKENZIE 817-504-5012
PAM SHELBY 682-276-3380
ELKS LODGE #2114 601 W. PIONEER PKWY, ARLINGTON, TX



**MANSFIELD TIMBERVIEW
H.S. AFJRROTC**



**BOY SCOUT
TROOP 396**





U S M C Birthday Celebration

Held At Moose Lodge 1932

3210 Pleasant Valley Ln. Ste "A"

VFW 8561 Arlington, TX 76015-2906

Sunday 10 NOV 19 VFW 214-683-8792

1400 <http://www.vfwpost8561.org>

Please See Any VFW Officer If You Wish To Make A Donation. Thank You !



Commander Glenn Talley
and
Chaplain Mac Mc Kenzie

gave a Veterans Day
Presentation to Benita
Shepherd, Activity Director,
and the Residents of
Mansfield Medical Lodge in
Mansfield Texas.



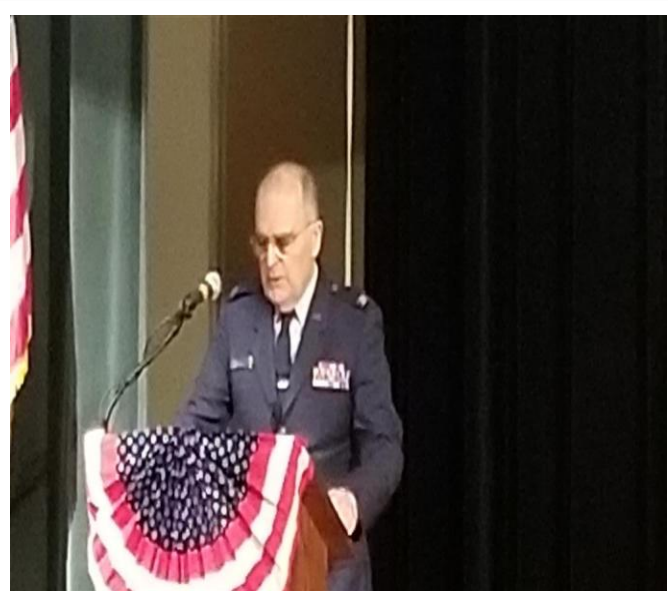
Trustee 1 Chris Petitt
 Participated in the City Of
 Arlington Texas Veterans
 Day Ceremony with
 Sr. Vice Commander
 B.J. Lasik also
 representing our Post.



**TWELFTH ANNUAL
 VETERANS DAY CEREMONY**
 HONORING VETERANS OF THE UNITED STATES
 ARMED FORCES AND ALLIES
 WITH SPECIAL RECOGNITION OF
 75TH ANNIVERSARY OF D-DAY INVASION
 AND MEDAL OF HONOR RECIPIENTS
 NOVEMBER 11, 2019
 11:00 A.M.
 VETERANS PARK, ARLINGTON, TEXAS



Arlington Chapter 5040
 Arlington Chapter 5041
 Arlington Chapter 5042
 Arlington Chapter 5043
 Arlington Chapter 5044
 Arlington Chapter 5045
 Arlington Chapter 5046
 Arlington Chapter 5047
 Arlington Chapter 5048
 Arlington Chapter 5049
 Arlington Chapter 5050





POOL TOURNAMENT RESULTS

As Of 27 NOV 2019

NAME	DATE	MATCH	PLACE
THANKSGIVING	27-Nov-19	NO TOURNAMENT	
GARY DAVIS AND VERNON WARD	20-Nov-19	1	1ST
BEVERLY ROBINSON AND CHRIS MAYES	20-Nov-19	1	2ND
BEVERLY ROBINSON AND GARY DAVIS	20-Nov-19	2	1ST
CHRIS MAYES AND VERNON WARD	20-Nov-19	2	2ND
BEVERLY ROBINSON AND GARY DAVIS	13-Nov-19	1	1ST
BILLY GOFORTH AND VERNON WARD	13-Nov-19	1	2ND
MELINDA GOFORTH AND BILLY GOFORTH	13-Nov-19	2	1ST
BEVERLY ROBINSON AND VERNON WARD	13-Nov-19	2	2ND
CHRIS MAYES AND VERNON WARD	6-Nov-19	1	1ST
BEVERLY ROBINSON AND GARY DAVIS	6-Nov-19	1	2ND
VERNON WARD AND HOWARD WELSH	6-Nov-19	2	1ST
GARY DAVIS AND CHRIS MAYES	6-Nov-19	2	2ND
NO REPORT	30-Oct-19		

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	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!

JAN 2020

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 •8 BALL POOL TOURNEY - 1900	2	3	4
5	6	7 •WOTM	8 •8 BALL POOL TOURNEY - 1900	9 •VFW POST 8561 AUXILIARY MONTHLY MEETING - 7:30PM	10	11
12 •DISTRICT MEETING ALVARADO 1000	13	14 •LOOM MEETING - 1900 •JOINT MOOSE MEETING	15 •8 BALL POOL TOURNEY - 1900	16 •VFW VETS MTG - 1900 •VIETNAM REMEMBRANCE	17	18
19	20	21 •WOTM	22 •8 BALL POOL TOURNEY - 1900	23 •MID WINTER CONVENTION AUSTIN	24 •MID WINTER CONVENTION AUSTIN	25 •MID WINTER CONVENTION AUSTIN
26 •MID WINTER CONVENTION AUSTIN	27	28 •LOOM MEETING - 1900	29 •8 BALL POOL TOURNEY - 1900	30	31	



**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

December 2019 ▾



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3 • WOTM	4 • 8 BALL POOL TOURNEY -1900	5	6	7 • 2-149 GSAB CHRISTMAS PARTY - 1100
8	9	10 • LOOM MEETING - 1900 • JOINT MOOSE MEETING	11 • 8 BALL POOL TOURNEY -1900	12 • VFW POST 8561 AUXILIARY MONTHLY MEETING - 7:30PM	13	14
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29	30	31				

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

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