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**MAY 19**



**GREAT SOUTHWEST MEMORIAL CINCO DE MAYO**  
**VFW POST 8561**

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**A FAMILY FRIENDLY POST**

**COMMANDER: GLENNOB TALLEY**  
**NEXT MEETING: 16 MAY 19 1900**



**GREETINGS!**

**CONGRATULATIONS**  
**TO THE**  
**VFW POST 8561**  
**OFFICERS**  
**OF**  
**2019-2020**

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It's the month of May and we start our 2019/2020 VFW programs.

Check the post Web site for Loyalty Day, VE Day and Memorial Day

District 21 Meeting 1000 Weatherford.

Post Business meeting 1900 16 May 2019

We had a good year in 2018/2019. Three more programs completed and the Post would have been an All State Post. We need all the help we can get to the required Programs completed this year. It's your Post. Please help us out.

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](http://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](mailto: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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**214-683-8792**

**VFW**  
**POST 8561**  
**MEETING**  
**16 MAY 19**  
**1900**

**VFW**  
**POST 8561**  
**AUXILIARY**  
**MEETING**  
**09 MAY 19**  
**7:00PM**



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# VE-DAY

## VICTORY IN EUROPE 08 MAY 1945



REMEMBERED ON  
THURSDAY  
**16 MAY 19**

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



# MEMORIAL DAY

**ELKS  
LODGE  
2114  
ARL TX**

# CEREMONY

601 West Pioneer Parkway,  
Arlington, TX 76010  
(817) 277-2114

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

## 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**



**POOL TOURNAMENT RESULTS**

As Of 24 APR 2019

NAME	DATE	MATCH	PLACE
VANESSA MARSHALL AND JAMES GRAGG	24-Apr-19	1	1ST
CHRIS MAYES AND BILLY ROBINSON	24-Apr-19	1	2ND
FRANKIE REISINGER AND VERNON WARD	24-Apr-19	2	1ST
BEVERLY ROBINSON AND BILLY ROBINSON	24-Apr-19	2	2ND
NO TOURNAMENT	17-Apr-19		
VANESSA MARSHALL AND FRANKIE REISINGER	10-Apr-19	1	1ST
BEVERLY ROBINSON AND VERNON WARD	10-Apr-19	1	2ND
VANESSA MARSHALL AND FRANKIE REISINGER	10-Apr-19	2	1ST
GARY DAVIS AND VERNON WARD	10-Apr-19	2	2ND
BEVERLY ROBINSON AND FRANKIE REISINGER	3-Apr-19	1	1ST
MELINDA GOFORTH AND VERNON WARD	3-Apr-19	1	2ND
MARK KAERICHER AND FRANKIE REISINGER	3-Apr-19	2	1ST
MELINDA GOFORTH AND GARY DAVIS	3-Apr-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

## VFW

## AUX

### 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!

# JUN 2019

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



[INFO@VFWPOST8561.ORG](mailto:INFO@VFWPOST8561.ORG)

**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 2019



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			<b>1</b> <a href="#">•8 BALL POOL TOURNEY - 1900</a>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b> <a href="#">•AFJROTC Annual Military Ball/Awards Banquet</a>	<b>4</b>
<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b> <a href="#">•WOTM</a>	<b>8</b> <a href="#">•8 BALL POOL TOURNEY - 1900</a>	<b>9</b> <a href="#">•VFW POST 8561 AUXILIARY MONTHLY MEETING - 7:30PM</a>	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>
<b>12</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b> <a href="#">•LOOM MEETING - 1900</a> <a href="#">•JOINT MOOSE MEETING</a>	<b>15</b> <a href="#">•8 BALL POOL TOURNEY - 1900</a>	<b>16</b> <a href="#">•VFW VETS MTG - 1900</a> <a href="#">•VICTORY IN EUROPE 8 MAY</a>	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b>
<b>19</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b> <a href="#">•WOTM</a>	<b>22</b> <a href="#">•8 BALL POOL TOURNEY - 1900</a>	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b>
<b>26</b>	<b>27</b> <a href="#">•ELKS CEREMONY AT NOON</a>	<b>28</b> <a href="#">•LOOM MEETING - 1900</a>	<b>29</b> <a href="#">•8 BALL POOL TOURNEY - 1900</a>	<b>30</b>	<b>31</b>	

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