



# Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States

## Department of Nebraska

Bill Montoya Post 1581, Omaha, Nebraska

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**One year trustee:** Lloyd Coates

### Newsletter February 2017

#### Future Events

- POW/MIA run September 15, 2017, UNO-Creighton SROTC
- POW-WOW - native American intertribal event 9-23-17
- Progressive's Keys to Progress—Veteran car give away. 11-10-17
- Buddy Poppy Event November 11, 2017 Saturday 9 AM to 12 Noon
- Award Breakfast December 2, 2017 Saturday.
- Eastern Nebraska Veterans Home Christmas donation for Veteran residents.

See vfwpost1581.org website, calendar for all events.

Visit our Post 1581 web site. Go to the following link: [CLICK HERE](#)

Facebook Page: [CLICK HERE](#)

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#### Future Events

- Texas Roadhouse (Giving Back to Veterans program, partnering with VFW Post 1581—ongoing
- Douglas County Veterans Service outreach to Veterans at Omaha Heritage Point for Retirement homes—ongoing
- Cub Scout Pack 408 \$200,00 donation from VFW post 1581
- Teacher of the year-February 15, 2017
- Boys Town Pass and Review Friday May 5, 2017
- Buddy Poppy Event May 27, 2017 Saturday 9 AM to 12 Noon

**Notice:** VFW Post 1581 monthly meeting date, time, and place has changed. The Egg and I3605 N. 147<sup>th</sup> Street, Omaha, NE 68116, Suite 106, Large private meeting room, 7 AM breakfast meeting. *Future meetings:* First Saturday of every month, 7 AM, (place and time, same as above) You can bring family, children, Veteran guests.

#### Next regular meeting:

The next regular meeting will be Saturday March 4, 2017, 7 AM breakfast, The Egg and I3605 N. 147<sup>th</sup> Street, Omaha, NE 68116, Suite 106, large private meeting room

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#### Texas Roadhouse (Giving Back to Veterans program, partnering with VFW Post 1581 –ongoing project

We ran the program from November to December 2016 at Texas Roadhouse, 156th and Dodge location.. We received \$2907.00 in customer donations for Veterans.

#### Douglas County Veterans Service outreach to Veterans at Omaha Heritage Point for Retirement homes—ongoing project

The event would consist of a presentation of Veteran benefits by Douglas County Veterans Service officer representative to Retirement home Veterans. Veteran Widows. Presentation would include new Veterans cemetery on Omaha, Veteran and widow benefits, etc.

#### Cub Scout Pack 408

VFW Post 1581 donates \$200.00 to Cub Scout Pack 408 at St. Wenceslas church. Picture below, left to right, Dr. Steven Youngberg– VFW Post 1581 Adjutant / Quartermaster, Cub Scout Pack 408 leader.



#### VFW Nebraska Mid-Winter Conference

VFW Post 1581 donates \$500.00 to the winning students of Patriots Pen and Voice of Democracy. Picture below, left to right, John Liebsack-VFW Department Adj/QM-VFW Post 1581 member, VFW Department Auxiliary President, Student Award winner, J. Douglas Whitaker – VFW Nebraska State Commander 2016-2017.





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### VFW Post 1581 Member Only Area

Go to our post 1581 website ([www.vfwpost1581.org](http://www.vfwpost1581.org)), navigation, VFW Post 1581 Member Only Area, password militaryagent. (meeting minutes and contacts)

### Military Sexual Trauma:

Ann Thieman member of VFW Post 1581 has first-hand experience with military sexual trauma and has provided an interview with the VA. You can access this article in the VA Link magazine, April 2012, page 9 and page 13. [Click Here](#)

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VFW Post 1581 Newsletters: [CLICK HERE](#)

VFW Nebraska Discussion Group: [CLICK HERE](#)

VFW National Discussion Group: [CLICK HERE](#)

Our current members have signed up several new VFW members to our post. If you have a potential VFW membership candidate, please **Contact John Liebsack 402-210-5198** for assistance for further steps in the process.

**VFW Post 1581 Annual Members: Check your membership status on your card. Your membership may have expired. You can renew on line—see the [vfwpost1581.org](http://vfwpost1581.org) website. See “current members” to set-up your VFW member account. OR call **Contact John Liebsack 402-210-5198**.**

Approximately one half of our post members are **life members**. Why not consider turning your **annual membership into a life membership** so that you do not need to renew your membership every year. As a life member, your membership continues on. ***Life membership has a one-time pay or a monthly payment plan over 12 months.*** To consider your options of overall cost, paying annual membership versus becoming and life membership go to our Post 1581 web site for this analysis, <http://vfwpost1581.org/>, place your cursor over the navigation “Join VFW”, drop down selections, choose “Life Membership Analysis”, enter your current age and life expectancy age, you can see the saving of “Life Membership” over the long term versus annual membership. There is an Excel file “link” you can also download. **Contact John Liebsack 402-210-5198.**

If you or someone you know wishes to continue their VFW membership but are having a difficult time financially, Post 1581 has a program to help financially with the annual membership. Contact **John Liebsack 402-210-5198** for assistance for further steps in the process.

Check out the **VFW Nebraska HQ Website** at ([www.vfwne.com](http://www.vfwne.com)) There are many resources for you to use.

Email: [vfwpost1581@gmail.com](mailto:vfwpost1581@gmail.com)

Web site: <http://vfwpost1581.org/ne/>

**VFW Bill Montoya Post 1581**

C. L. Leighter

Commander