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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
- Teacher of the year-February 15, 2017
- Boys Town Pass and Review Friday May 5, 2017
- 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

**Newsletter January 2017** 

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 February 4, 2017, 7 AM breakfast, The Egg and I3605 N. 147th Street, Omaha, NE 68116, Suite 106, large private meeting room

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#### VFW Post 1581 Member Only Area

Go to our post 1581 website (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

See vfwpost1581.org website, calendar for all events.



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Current Events

Past Events

# 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. We are discussing how we are going to give gift cards to Veteran's at our monthly meetings.

If you have ideas contact vfwpost1581@gmail.com

# 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.

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 vfw-post1581.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 <u>life members</u>. Why not consider turning your <u>annual membership into a life membership</u> so that you do not need to renew your membership every year. As a life member, your membership continues on. <u>Life membership has a one-time pay or a monthly payment plan over 12 months</u>. 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, <a href="http://vfwpost1581.org/">http://vfwpost1581.org/</a>, place your curser 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) There are many resources for you to use.

Email: vfwpost1581@gmail.com

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

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