



Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States

Post 1581, Omaha, Nebraska

Newsletter

February 2010

Next regular meeting: The next regular meeting will be March 3, 2010 - 7 PM, at <u>Phoenix food and</u> <u>spirits-12015 Blondo, Omaha NE</u> (120th and Blondo), private room.

Future meetings: First Wednesday of every month. 7 PM, at <u>Phoenix food and spirits-12015 Blondo,</u> <u>Omaha NE</u> (120th and Blondo). Mark your calendars, "plan to attend". April 7, 2010 – May 2, 2010 – June 2, 2010 – July 7, 2010 – etc. - 7 PM, at <u>Phoenix food and spirits-12015 Blondo, Omaha NE</u> (120th and Blondo), private room.

Voice of Democracy (VOD) fist place winner from post 1581 was Sierra Hansen, Westside High School, grade 9, which included \$50.00 and a plaque. Sierra Hansen won 1st place (VOD) for District 10 and that award will be given at a later date. Sierra Hansen won 10th place in the VFW department of Nebraska (VOD) award which included \$150.00 and a plaque at the VFW Mid-Winter conference in Grand Island, NE, January 30, 2010.

VFW post 1581 - 1st place VOD, District 10 – 1st place VOD winner and VFW Department of Nebraska 10th place VOD winner Sierra Hansen



VFW post 1581 had contributed and sponsored the (VOD) 9th place award from District 10 of \$150.00 and sponsored the (VOD) 5th place award from District 4 for \$400.00. Post 1581 had donated \$400.00 and Post 7495 (merged into Post 1581) had donated \$150.00 for a total donation of \$550.00 for post 1581.



VFW Post 1581 VOD award 9th place winner Andrew Sorsen VFW Post and Auxiliary 2704 Omaha, NE (\$150.00) with Subby Caniglia VFW Post 1581 Commander

VFW Post 1581 VOD Award sponsor 5th place Lane Swedberg VFW Post and Auxiliary 1252 Grant, NE (\$400.00) with Subby Caniglia VFW Post 1581 Commander



Subby Caniglia (Post 1581 Commander), Dr. Steven Youngberg (Post 1581 Quartermaster) and John Liebsack (One year trustee post 1581 and Dept. of NE Quartermaster) attended and participated in this event.

VFW Post 1581 Law Enforcement Officer of the Year award is for C. Leighter. C. Leighter won \$50.00 and a plaque. Chris Leighter will donate his \$50.00 award to the USO. C. Leighter is the winner of the VFW Dept of NE (state) Law Enforcement Officer of the Year award. As a VFW NE state winner, C. Leighter will be entered in the VFW <u>national</u> Law Enforcement Officer of the Year candidate. No Picture Available

Future Events

The Army field band is scheduled to perform April 20, 2010 (Tuesday night) at Boys town music hall. VFW Post 1581 is participating in the event. The event will be free to the public. Tickets will be issued. Further details will be provided later.

We will be hosting a poppy day May 29, 2010 (Saturday before Memorial Day). The locations will be provided later. We need volunteers for 1-2 hour shifts. Further details will be provided later. If you can volunteer call Subby Caniglia at 496-4288.

Post Needs

We need a Chaplain. If you would be able to perform this position at our monthly meetings contact our post Commander -Subby Caniglia 496-4288.

VFW Post 7495 has merged with VFW Post 1581. VFW Post 7495 had a VFW ladies auxiliary that we want to actively continue. If your family member would like to part of the VFW ladies auxiliary, contact Subby Caniglia at 496-4288.

Our current members have signed up several new VFW members to our post. If you have a potential VFW candidate, please contact our commander – Subby Caniglia at 496-4288 for further steps in the process.

We are in the <u>planning</u> stage for more events as poppy days, Vet's home visits, parades, Memorial Day event, Voice of Democracy, Patriots Pen, etc. for 2010/2011 FY. We need your ideas and participation, please plan to attend upcoming meetings.

If you are able to participate in VFW post 1581 events or projects contact Subby Caniglia 496-4288 or email <u>vfwpost1581@cox.net</u>.

Donations and expenses:

• N/A

Bill Montoya Post 1581

Commander

Subby Caniglia

We need your help to update our records

Please provide the following information:

- 1. Name:
- 2. Phone number:
- 3. Email address:
- 4. Wife's name:
- 5. Birth date
- 6. Interested in volunteering for VFW activities in the community: Yes No Maybe

Please email this information to our VFW post email: <u>vfwpost1581@cox.net</u> OR complete and remove the bottom portion of this newsletter and mail it to 14934 Wirt Street, Omaha NE 68116 (Dr. Steven Youngberg-Quartermaster post 1581).