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Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States

Post 1581, Omaha, Nebraska

Newsletter

May 2010

Next regular meeting: The next regular meeting will be **June 2, 2010 - 7 PM**, at Phoenix food and spirits-12015 Blondo, Omaha NE (120th and Blondo), private meeting room.

Future meetings: First Wednesday of every month. 7 PM, at Phoenix food and spirits-12015 Blondo, Omaha NE (120th and Blondo). Mark your calendars, "plan to attend". July 7, 2010, August 4, 2010, September 1, 2010 – etc. - 7 PM, at Phoenix food and spirits-12015 Blondo, Omaha NE (120th and Blondo), private room.

Future Events

Voice of Democracy (VOD) theme for 2010/2011 year "Does My Generation Have a Role in America's Future". If you would like to work with High School youth in grades 9-12 contact the committee chairman Lloyd Coates 402- 498-0837

Patriots Pen theme for 2010/2011 year "Does Patriotism Still Matter". If you would like to work with students in grades 6,7 and 8 contact the committee chairman Lloyd Coates 402- 498-0837

Boy Scout of the year and VFW Post 1581/Boys Scout Troop 408 partnership: call John Hilgert at 402-326-9125

Law Enforcement officer, EMT, Firefighter of the year: call Jeff Miller 402-991-0971

We will be hosting a poppy day May 29, 2010 (Saturday before Memorial Day). **We need volunteers for 1 or 2 hour shifts.** The locations will be HyVee 132nd and Dodge and Bakers 156th and Dodge. The hours will be 9-5. Two people are needed at each store for one hour shifts. A VFW post 1581 partner, Boy Scout troop 408, will also assist with the poppy day at these locations. This is your opportunity to support the VFW and your post. If you can volunteer call Lloyd Coates at 402-498-0837.

The 89th Annual VFW state convention will be held in Grand Island, NE at the Howard Johnson Riverside Inn, June 4-6, 2010. Cut-off date is April 15, 2010. For further information contact Subby Caniglia 496-4288.

The VFW 111th National Convention will be held at Indianapolis, Indiana, August 21-26, 2010. All members wishing to attend

- Call 317-684-2573 (Mon-Fri 8:30am-5pm (EST)).
 - FAX: 317-684-2492.
 - Mail: VFW housing Bureau C/O ICVA, 30 S. Meridian St. Suite 410, Indianapolis, Indiana 46204.
 - Internet: www.vfw.org access online registration form. Book reservation before July 19, 2010.
 - For further information contact Subby Caniglia 496-4288.
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The National Army field band event was April 20, 2010 at Boys Town music hall. VFW Department of NE, VFW Post 1581 and Boys Town partnered in this event. The event was a success and thanks to all of the Post 1581 comrades especially Jeff Miller chairman and John Liebsack VFW state Quartermaster as well as the comrades that assisted as greeters/ticket takers - Dr. Steven Youngberg, Dr. Greg O'Leary, Subby Caniglia, Lloyd Coates and Chris Leighter. The National VFW Commander-In-Chief Thomas Tradewell was in attendance.



National U.S. Army Band



Nebraska Lt. Governor



National VFW Commander-In-Chief Thomas Tradewell



Voice of Democracy (VOD) fist place winner from VFW district 10 Sierra Hansen, Westside High School, grade 9, received her award April 25, 2010, at the district 10 meeting held at post 2503.

John Liebsack, NE state Quartermaster and Post 1581 Trustee has earned the VFW National Commander-in-Chief's recognition (15 Commander-in-Chief Citation) for recruitment efforts in new and reinstated members.

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 looking for a comrade in Post 1581 to be the membership chairman for 2010/2011 year. If you can help us contact our commander – Subby Caniglia at 496-4288.

We are in the planning stage for more events as poppy days, Vet's home visits, parades, Memorial Day event, Voice of Democracy, Patriots Pen, Boy Scout of the year, Law enforcement officer, EMT and Firefighter of the year, etc. for 2010/2011 FY. If you can help with these upcoming projects/committees contact the person associated with each.

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- Membership Chairman: TBD

Ordering VFW items

If you need a VFW hat use this link: <http://www.vfwstore.org/detail.aspx?ID=25525>

The general VFW online catalog, use this link: <http://www.vfwstore.org/>

We need your ideas and participation, please plan to attend upcoming monthly meetings.

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

Bill Montoya Post 1581

Commander

Subby Caniglia