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Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States

Post 1581, Omaha, Nebraska

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Our meetings are on the first Wednesday of every month. **Our next meeting is Wednesday, November 4, 2009, 2009, at Phoenix food and spirits-12015 Blondo, Omaha NE (120th and Blondo).** We have a private meeting room. Any questions call Subby Caniglia at 496-4288

Future meetings: first Wednesday of every month, December 2, 2009, January 6, 2010, February 3, 2010. **7:00 PM, at Phoenix food and spirits-12015 Blondo, Omaha NE (120th and Blondo).** Mark your calendars, "plan to attend".

There will be a **VFW district 10 meeting** October 25, 2009 starting at 1:00 PM at post 2503 located at 8904 Military avenue, Omaha, NE. Please plan to attend and help to represent our post.

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.

Programs and Services: If you are interested in chairing one of these programs below, contact our post Commander – Subby Caniglia 496-4288.

Voice of Democracy: Created in 1947, the Voice of Democracy (VOD) scholarship program is an audio-essay contest for high school students in grades 9-12 that annually provides more than \$3 million in scholarships. The first-place winner, who competes with all the first-place VFW Department winners, receives a \$30,000 scholarship that is paid directly to the recipient's American university, college or vocational/technical school. The Voice of Democracy program is designed to foster patriotism by allowing students the opportunity to voice their opinion in a three to five minute essay based on an annual theme.

Patriot's Pen: Patriot's Pen, a youth-essay writing contest is a nationwide competition that gives students in grades 6, 7 and 8 the opportunity to write essays expressing their views on democracy. Annually, more than 115,000 students participate in the contest. The Patriot's Pen program is designed to foster patriotism by allowing students the opportunity to express their opinions based on an annual theme.

VFW Scout of the Year Scholarship: The VFW Scout of the Year Scholarship program provides a \$5,000 award to an outstanding scout who is the recipient of a Boy Scout Eagle Award, a Venture Scouting Silver Award or a Sea Scout Quartermaster Award. Second-place winner receives a \$3,000 award. Third-place winner receives \$1,000.

For further information go to <http://www.vfw.org/index.cfm?fa=cnty.home&tok=1>

We are in the planning stage for more events as poppy days, Vets home visits, parades, Memorial Day event, etc. **We need your ideas, please plan to attend upcoming meetings.**

Post 1581 Commander

Subby Caniglia