

The Silver Star



Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 5061

August 2026



Commander's Corner

Hello everyone,

I hope you are all having a fantastic summer! As we move into August, things are heating up. It's important to drink water and stay safe. Stay cool during this time.

We could really appreciate your help for the End of Summer Picnic on Sept. 5th. Your support as a cook, or in Set-up and clean-up crews, makes our community stronger.

I am eagerly looking forward to seeing all of you at our post, and I hope you all join us for these exciting events. Your participation helps strengthen our community and makes these gatherings memorable. Let's make the most of the remaining summer days.

Best Regards

Commander

Craig Clark

VFW Post 5061

Post Officers

Post Commander: Craig Clark

Sr. Vice Commander: Vincent Miller

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Canteen Manager: Betty Medina

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Auxiliary Officers

President: Shiela Medina

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Guard: Sedona Decint

Auxiliary News

Greetings from Your Auxiliary President

Hello, Auxiliary members and friends!

The National VFW Convention was held in Reno, Nevada, in July 2026. We were proudly represented by our members **Ruth**

Gulden and **Charlotte Lattin**. We are excited to hear about their experiences and look forward to them sharing highlights from the convention with us at an upcoming meeting. **Get Involved**

The VFW Post 5061 and Auxiliary offers many opportunities to serve our veterans and our community. We invite you to join us in our volunteer efforts, including:

*Monday Dinners

*The 6th Annual Drive-Thru Baby Shower & Resource Fair

*Many other activities and events throughout the year

Stop by the Post to learn how you can participate. We'd love to have you involved!

Upcoming Auxiliary Meeting

Wednesday, August 12 6:00 p.m.

Please join us for our next Auxiliary meeting. Your ideas, participation, and support help make our Auxiliary stronger.

Save the Date -End of Summer BBQ Saturday, September 5 2:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Come by the Post for all the exciting details. We hope you'll join us for an afternoon of great food, fellowship, and fun! Thank you for your continued dedication to our veterans, their families, and our community.

Shila Medina

President, 2026–2027