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VFW POST 8561 NEWSLETTER DEC 2008 V1

Commander Glenn Talley

Next Meeting: 09 DEC 2008 1930

I think that November, 2008 was one of the best months I have ever seen at this Post. We had lots of activities with lots of participation. The Prime Rib Dinner offered by the Men's Auxiliary on the 7th of November was outstanding. The baby shower put on by the Ladies auxiliary for the widow of one of the Officers lost in the 2-149th arrival in Iraq was beautiful and most gracious. Those two events set the tone for the month and we topped it off with, what has been described to me by several people, as the best Post Thanksgiving dinner that the Post has had in 20 years. It never ceases to amaze me as to what can be accomplished when everyone works together and gets it done. That folk's, is a combination of teamwork and fellowship. Well done to all made these events happen.

December is another busy month for the Post as you can see by the calendar. Help the Post out by participating in these events and encouraging friends and relatives to accompany you.

I know I spend a lot of time on the subject of membership, but, without membership we cease to exist. Membership impacts all levels of the VFW. The national office must have the membership numbers to have the clout to encourage Congress to support Veteran's rights. For you folks who pay annually, the 2009 dues need to be paid by 12-31-2008 to continue your membership. We need you to stay with us.

Last, but certainly not least, let me thank the VFW Ladies Auxiliary, the VFW men's Auxiliary, The American Legion Post 60, The American Legion Post 60 Ladies Auxiliary, The American Legion Post 60 Riders and the American Legion Post 60 Sons of the Legion. All of these units contributed equally in the purchase of the new MATCHING dinnerware and silverware. Thank You!!

Visit your Post and bring a friend!

Glenn

Women's Auxiliary President: Norma Levy

Next Meeting MONDAY 08 DEC 2008 7:00P

Ladies,

The families that received the Food Baskets for Thanksgiving were so very grateful. Thank you all who thought of families less fortunate than us. I am asking again for your help in taking care of some other families during the Christmas Holidays. Please give what you can afford, but please help. Christmas is a time for children so let's not forget to pick up a gift for a child. Amy Giddens has the ages of the children we are going to help. These families are from the Squadron at the Grand Prairie National Guard Station that we have adopted. These men and women are serving our country. The least we can do is help take care of their loved ones that are at home just trying to make ends meet. When you go into the post you will see some Christmas Ornaments hanging from the ceiling. They have names on them from the people that have purchased one or two. The VFW Ladies Auxiliary is selling them for \$5.00 to help with the cost for gifts and food for these adopted families.

We are almost to the end of this year and I would like to wish you and your family a Very Merry Christmas, and a Healthy, Wealthy New Year.

God bless you all

Norma

Men's Auxiliary President: Charles Finicum

Next Meeting Thursday 11 DEC 08 7:00PM

Greetings to All!

Things are definitely looking up in the Men's Aux! We had a great turnout for our first ever "Prime Rib Dinner!" In fact, it went over so well we're going to do it again on January 16th. Please don't forget our Spaghetti Dinner on December 12th, we'll start at 6:30 p.m. and the cost is only \$6.00

Welcome to our three newest members, Jeffery Henry, Nathan Shelby, and Bert Livingood.

Members, please make every attempt to be at the meeting on Thursday, December 11th at 7pm. Annual dues need to be paid and sent into department before the end of this year!

Tina and I wish you and all of your families the Happiest and Safest Holiday Season!

Fraternally,

Charles

DEC EVENTS



GUMBO
NIGHT
FRIDAY
05 DEC 08
6-8PM \$6

SPRING CREEK **BARBEQUE**



3
BIG TV'S
DALLAS COWBOYS
HAPPY HOUR!

EVERY SUNDAY DURING THE COWBOY GAME
\$3.00 Springcreek BBQ Sandwichs
\$1.75 Beer, Wine and Well

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DALLAS
COWBOYS



PITTSBURGH
STEELERS

SPECIAL!

CAN/BOTTLE BEER

\$1.75

HAPPY HOUR!

SUNDAY

*Come Out And
Join Your Friends!*

07 DEC 08

1515

WOMEN'S
AUXILIARY
MEETING

08 DEC 08

7PM



BE:ER:30



HAPPY HOUR!

*Come Out And
Join Your Friends!*

FRIDAY

19, 26, DEC 08

1600-2300

FYI: "YOUR" HALL
HAS THREE
NEW TV'S
COME CHECK
IT OUT!

DEC EVENTS

SPAGHETTI NIGHT



FRIDAY
12 DEC 08 / 6:30-8:30PM \$6

VFW
POST 8561
MEETING
09 DEC 08
1930

MEN'S
AUXILIARY
MEETING
11 DEC 08
7PM

VA SPINAL CORD
UNIT VISIT
22 DEC 08
1730-1930



DALLAS
COWBOYS



NEW YORK
GIANTS

HAPPY HOUR!

Come Out And
Join Your Friends!

SPECIAL!
CAN BOTTLE BEER
\$1.75

SUNDAY
14 DEC 08
1915

RON
DEBBIE
KATHERINE
DARLENE
VICKI
PAM

VFW POST 8561
EMPLOYEES
CHRISTMAS PARTY
20 DEC 08 / 5PM



VFW POST 8561

SHUFFLE BOARD TOURNAMENT RESULTS

As Of 27/NOV/2008

NAME	DATE	MATCH	PLACE
HAPPY THANKSGIVING			
JERRY KELLER AND MARVIN MILLER	20-Nov-08	1	1ST
NORMA LEVY AND FRANK ROSS	20-Nov-08	1	2ND
ED ADAMS AND BRIGITTE SPEER	13-Nov-08	1	1ST
MARVIN MILLER AND JIMMY ADAMS	13-Nov-08	1	2ND
FRANK ROSS AND ROB LACY	6-Nov-08	1	1ST
JIM SPEER AND ANDRE HANEKAMP	6-Nov-08	1	2ND



DALLAS COWBOYS

SPECIAL!

CAN/BOTTLE BEER

\$1.75



BALTIMORE RAVENS

HAPPY HOUR!

SATURDAY

Come Out And
Join Your Friends!

20 DEC 08

1915

**VFW POST 8561
CHRISTMAS
DINNER
21 DEC 08 2PM**

PLEASE BRING A COVERED DISH

Everyone Please Bring a Gift for the Kids (\$5 Limit), Wrapped and Marked by Age and Sex to assist Santa in handing them out.
Thank You!

Ladies Happy Hour



ALL DAY

EVERY THURSDAY

THURSDAYS

COVERED DISH WELCOME

**SHUFFLEBOARD
5:30 PM**



'ALL YOU CAN EAT'

**BREAKFAST \$4.00
EVERY 2ND AND LAST SUNDAY
SERVING 9-11:30 AM**

"It's Time For Breakfast!"



DALLAS COWBOYS

SPECIAL!

CAN/BOTTLE BEER

\$1.75



PHILADELPHIA EAGLES

HAPPY HOUR!

SUNDAY

Come Out And
Join Your Friends!

28 DEC 08

NOON

DEC EVENTS

Women's Auxiliary Treasurer - Rita Simpson

Ladies, if you haven't paid your 2009 dues please do so as soon as possible. Wouldn't it be wonderful to reach quota before the end of the year?!?!?

We have card holders for sale to any Ladies Aux member for only \$2.00 each. These are perfect for your membership card and door card!

And we have Ladies Aux Life Member car decals for sale at only \$6.00. These are 3" x 4 1/2" blue and gold ovals.

Call or email (Rita@vfwpost8561.org) me today to get yours!

Rita



**For Those Who Choose
not to blow the budget
On an Expensive Night Out . . .**

**Come To The Post !
Bring In 09 With Your Friends !**



BRACELET RAFFLE



**DRAWING TO BE HELD UPON
COLLECTING \$1000.00
WINNER WILL BE CONTACTED
AND PLACED ON THE WEBSITE**

**Tickets: \$5
HTTP://WWW.VFWPOST8561.ORG**

*Post Round Table Events Meeting
Sunday 28 DEC 2008 / 1130
All Members Invited*

**TO DISCUSS
FEB 09
EVENTS !**



**ASK ME HOW TO
JOIN THE VFW
OR AUXILIARY**



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B.J. Lasik**

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Requests can be Emailed to: NEWS@vfwpost8561.org .

**MEMBERSHIP
DUES
FOR 2008-2009
ARE DUE**



VFW POST 8561 / CALENDAR

December 2008



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2	3 •FLEET RESERVE - 1900	4 •SHUFFLEBOARD - 5:30 PM	5 •First Quarter •GUMBO NIGHT 6-8PM \$6 •PP	6
7 •COWBOYS - STEELERS 1515	8 •LADIES AUX MTG 7PM	9 •VFW VETS MTG - 1930	10	11 •SHUFFLEBOARD - 5:30 PM •MENS AUX MTG 7PM	12 •Full Moon •SPAGHETTI NIGHT- 1830-2030 \$6	13 •PP
14 •BREAKFAST 09-1130 \$4.00 •COWBOYS - GIANTS 1915	15	16 •AM LGN. MEETING - 1900	17	18 •SHUFFLEBOARD - 5:30 PM	19 •Third Quarter •HAPPY HOUR 1600-2300	20 •ALR MEETING 10-11:30AM •EMPLOYEE CHRISTMAS PARTY - 1700 •COWBOYS - RAVENS 1915
21 •SANTA - 1300 •POST CHRISTMAS DINNER - 1400	22 •VA HOSP VIST SPINAL CORD UNIT 5:30-8:30PM	23 •AM LGN. AUX MTG - CANCELLED	24	25 •POST OPENS AT NOON •SHUFFLEBOARD - 5:30 PM •82ND AIRBORNE MTG 2000	26 •HAPPY HOUR 1600-2300	27 •New Moon
28 •NOBREAKFAST •CALENDAR MEETING 11:30 TO DISCUSS FEB EVENTS •COWBOYS - PHILADELPHIA NOON	29	30	31 •NEW YEARS PARTY			

For questions regarding this calendar, contact: [Webmaster: BJ Lasik](#)

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Great Southwest Memorial

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ARLINGTON, TX
PERMIT 17

Post 8561 Canteen Hours

Canteen Manager: Ron Townsend - 817-633-8332 Web Site: <http://www.vfwpost8561.org>

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
12:00 - Close	10:00 - Close	10:00 - Close	10:00 -Close	10:00 -Close	10:00 -Close	10:00 - Close

We open at 9:00am on 14 DEC for our Post breakfast and buffet.



A FAMILY FRIENDLY POST !



Please See Our Continuously Updated Calendar Located On Our Website for Post Events

Every Thursday is Ladies Happy Hour !

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