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VFW POST 8561 NEWSLETTER JAN 2009 V2



Commander Glenn Talley

Next Meeting: 13 JAN 2009 1900

We are six months into the VFW calendar year and looking pretty good as far as programs go. WE need 28 more members to make membership goal. There are approximately 56 people on the annual list from 2008 who have not paid their 2009 dues. Remember, all members are potential recruiters. Help the post out if you know anyone that is a current member and has not paid their 2009 dues or if you know anyone is eligible for membership. This is your post and membership is what keeps us going.

We had another great holiday dinner (Christmas), and I want to thank everyone who prepared food and helped make this dinner the success it was. I know everyone I talked to enjoyed it. Well done!!! Again! Also, well done to all who helped prepare all of the great food we enjoyed throughout the month of December. I know I, for one, will seriously need to address my diet in January.

I know I just spoke about diet, but, in January we have some good food and entertainment scheduled. I hope everyone checks the post calendar and plans to attend these events.

Remember, District 21 has their quarterly meeting on 4 January 2009 at VFW Post 8235, 5333 White Settlement Rd, Ft Worth. The Mid-Winter Convention for the Department of Texas VFW will be held at the Doubletree in Austin. Check the Department website.

I want to wish everyone a very happy and a very prosperous New Year. Let's all stay healthy and help make this the best year in this post's history.

Visit **Your** Post and Bring a Friend!

Glenn

Women's Auxiliary President: Norma Levy

Next Meeting MONDAY 12 JAN 2009 7:00P

Ladies,

I hope you and your family had a wonderful Christmas with a great New Year that is already here. You all should feel very proud of yourselves for all that was accomplished in the last 6 months. Now with that said, let's keep the ball rolling and finish up the next 6 months with more things to be proud of Post 8561 Auxiliary. There will be a District meeting at Post 8235. I will be at our post at 9:00 am to drive to the meeting for anyone that would like to attend. Also, the Mid-Winter meeting is to be held in Austin and so far we have 6 members that are going to attend. If anyone would like to attend please call Rita or Me if you would like to make arrangements. The next few months are very important for the post as well as for the Aux. many events are going to take place and we need all the members and families to attend. We must support this post in the lean months of the year so let's not disappoint our Veteran's and attend the events, like dinners, round table meeting etc.

The Ladies Aux. will be hosting another luncheon on February 8, 2009 at 1:00 PM for the members that entitled for a 5, 10, 15 or more years being in the Aux. If you know of anyone that should be receiving a pin please contact Rita and find out if she has that person on her list. Even if you are not going to receive a pin please make an effort in attending this event that honors our Sisters. Ladies, our Auxiliary can become a leader of the Auxiliaries if we continue to do work as hard as we did the last 6 months. Let's keep up the good work.

My prayer for each and everyone,

Norma

Men's Auxiliary President: Charles Finicum

Next Meeting Thursday 08 JAN 08 7:00PM

Greetings to All!

The leadership team of the Men's Aux. is excited about the New Year and the great things that will be happening for us and the Post. I have appointed our Jr. Vice Jeff Henry as membership chairman and he has done a fantastic job so far recruiting 5 new members.

For our current members, please make every effort to get your dues for 2009 sent to the treasurer Anthony Fontenot as soon as possible. The post will not be able to issue new door cards until the dues are paid in full.

Please make every effort to attend our January meeting on the 8th; we will have visitors from the Keller VFW Men' Aux. post to observe how the meetings are conducted. Also, a major discussion about moving our meeting time from Thursday to Sunday afternoon will take place and will possibly be voted on, so your input is needed.

Our first big fundraiser will take place on Friday the 16th, its *PRIME RIB DINNER* night, and we are expecting a larger crowd this month, so we will need "all hands on deck!" In February, our raffle for the china eagle will start, so please look for the signs around the post.

Tina and I wish all of you a very safe and Happy New Year!

Charles

JAN EVENTS



BE:ER:30



HAPPY HOUR!

Come Out And
Join Your Friends!

FRIDAY
02, 30, JAN 09
1700-2300

JANUARY

BIRTHDAY

BABIES PARTY!

HAPPY HOUR



SATURDAY

03 JAN 09

SNACKS 6-8PM

Texas VFW District 21

MEETING SUNDAY

04 JAN 09 / 1000

VFW Post 8235

5333 WHITE SETTLEMENT RD.

Fort Worth, TX 76114

Phone: 817-731-8231

MEN'S AUXILIARY MEETING 08 JAN 09 7PM



AM I ELIGIBLE TO JOIN THE VFW OR AUXILIARY?

<http://www.vfwpost8561.org/JOINVFW.HTML>

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

JAN EVENTS

TACO SALAD



FRIDAY
09 JAN 09 / 6:30-8:30PM \$6

**WOMEN'S
AUXILIARY
MEETING
12 JAN 09
7PM**

**VFW
POST 8561
MEETING
13 JAN 09
1900**

PRIME RIB NIGHT



FRIDAY
16 JAN 09 / 6:30-8:30PM \$10

PLEASE RSVP
BY CALLING THE POST: 817-633-8332
OR EMAIL TO:
RSVP@vfwpost8561.org

MARTIN LUTHER KING



**MONDAY
19 JANUARY 09**

HAPPY HOUR ALL DAY

JAN EVENTS



**CHICKEN
FRIED
STEAK**
FRIDAY
23 JAN 09
6-8PM \$8

THURSDAYS
**COVERED
DISH
WELCOME**
SHUFFLEBOARD
5:30 PM

VFW POST 8561

SHUFFLE BOARD TOURNAMENT RESULTS

As Of 25/DEC/2008

NAME	DATE	MATCH	PLACE
MERRY CHRISTMAS			
NORMA LEVY AND FRANK ROSS	18-Dec-08	1	1ST
BARBARA ALVARADO AND BRIGITTE SPEER	18-Dec-08	1	2ND
MARVIN MILLER AND FRANK ROSS	11-Dec-08	1	1ST
TOMMY FARRELL AND BOB SMITH	11-Dec-08	1	2ND
BOB SMITH AND SCOTT GUTIERREZ	4-Dec-08	1	1ST
FRANK ROSS EVE AMAREL	4-Dec-08	1	2ND

Ladies Happy Hour



ALL DAY
EVERY THURSDAY



'ALL YOU CAN EAT'

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

"It's Time For Breakfast !"



**SEE YOU
AT
MID-WINTER!**

*Mid-Winter
Guest Speaker
Gunny Ermey*

The Mid-Winter Convention for the Texas Veterans of Foreign Wars and its Auxiliaries will be held January 28 - 31, 2009 in Austin, Texas at the Doubletree Hotel.

JAN EVENTS



Auxiliary 8561, Arlington, Texas, far exceeded their own expectations in a clothing drive they held to benefit the Presbyterian Night Shelter haven for the homeless. They were able to deliver a 10-foot truck full of donated clothing and bedding worth more than \$10,000 to the Forth Worth agency, which serves a large number of homeless veterans. Their efforts were successful thanks not only to Post and Auxiliary members but because of generous contributions by friends, family and neighbors who were invited to participate. Volunteers pictured preparing to load the truck are: Leslie Nicholson, Rita Simpson, Tammy Betsill, Pam Predmore and Anna Brown.

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**Ladies Auxiliary
Membership Pin
Presentation**

**Sunday
08 February 09
1PM**

*Post Round Table Events Meeting
Sunday 25 JAN 2009 / NOON
All Members Invited*

**TO DISCUSS
MAR 09
EVENTS !**



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



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



VFW POST 8561 / CALENDAR

January 2009



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1 •HAPPY NEW YEAR! •OPEN NOON - HAPPY HOUR	2 •HAPPY HOUR 1700-2300	3 •BIRTHDAY BABIES - 6-8PM
4 •First Quarter •DISTRICT 21 MEETING 1000 WHITE SETTLEMENT	5	6	7 •FLEET RESERVE - 1900	8 •MENS AUX MTG 7PM	9 •TACO SALAD NIGHT- 1830-2030 \$6	10 •Full Moon
11 •BREAKFAST 09-1130 \$4.00	12 •LADIES AUX MTG 7PM	13 •VFW VETS MTG - 1900	14	15	16 •PRIME RIB DINNER 6:30-8:30 PM \$10 •PLEASE RSVP FOR PRIME RIB DINNER	17 •Third Quarter •ALR MEETING 10-11:30AM
18	19 •MLK Day •HAPPY HOUR ALL DAY	20 •AM LGN. MEETING - 1900	21	22 •82ND AIRBORNE MTG 2000	23 •CHICKEN FRIED STEAK - 1800-2000 \$8	24
25 •BREAKFAST 09-1130 \$4.00 •CALENDAR MEETING NOON TO DISCUSS MAR EVENTS	26 •New Moon	27 •AM LGN. AUX MTG - 1900	28 •MID WINTER CONVENTION AUSTIN	29 •MID WINTER CONVENTION AUSTIN	30 •MID WINTER CONVENTION AUSTIN •HAPPY HOUR - SNACKS - 1700-2300	31 •MID WINTER CONVENTION AUSTIN

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

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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 11 AND 25 JANUARY 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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