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### **GREAT SOUTHWEST MEMORIAL VFW POST 8561**

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VFW POST 8561 NEWSLETTER MAY 2009 V1

### Commander Glenn Talley

Next Meeting: 12 MAY 2009 1900

First, let me Thank all of the people who attended the last meeting of the VFW (4-14-2009). We had a good election and we filled all of the chairs. Let me also congratulate all of those who were elected to fill those chairs. We will do our best to keep this Post growing and vibrant as it has been for the last two years.

We have a lot of activities scheduled for the month of May. Check out each Friday. We have a lot of good food scheduled. Come out and enjoy. Sunday May 3, is Loyalty Day. We will have a Ceremony starting at 2:00 P.M. We are recognizing some outstanding people from our Community and we will have some good food. The ladies need help. Get in touch with Norma or Peggy.

Installation of Officers for the VFW and the Auxiliaries will take place on May 24 at 2:00 P.M. The District 21 Commander, Glenn Heady, will install the VFW and Men's Auxiliary Officers; Norma Levy will install the Ladies Auxiliary Officers. Please come and watch this ceremony. There will be food afterwards.

We are starting the last two months of the VFW year and VFW Post 8561 is right at the top of every category in the District's standings for programs. I want to thank everyone who helped us get there. For those of you who participated in programs for the first time, I am sure you became aware really quick that the VFW is not just about the canteen. A lot of people spent a lot effort and time making the programs successful. YOU ALL DONE GOOD!!!

### Glenn

Women's Auxiliary Treasurer: Rita Simpson Next Meeting MONDAY 11 MAY 2009 7:00P

Per Ladies Auxiliary President, Norma Levy:

Ladies,

Elections for 2009 - 2010 are behind us and we have an exciting slate of new leadership for our Auxiliary! Congratulations to all who were elected and appointed!

The Ladies Auxiliary Officer - Elects for 2009-2010 are listed on page 7.

Although there are only two months left in this Aux year, we need to not lose sight of our projects for the upcoming year. Let's all continue to work together and make 2009 - 2010 as successful as 2008 - 2009 was! We need everyone's ideas to work our programs they way they deserve.

Let's not forget that in May we have Loyalty Day, the District 21 meeting, Officer Installation, Memorial Day, the BBQ Cook-off, etc.; and June is going to be packed as well.

Let's get ready to run!

### Rita



### Men's Auxiliary President: Charles Finicum Next Meeting Thursday 14 MAY 09 7:00PM

#### Greetings to All!

After having to reschedule our monthly meeting due to the Easter Holiday, we have met and have elected our new cadre of officers for the upcoming year. Please extend congratulations to the following Men's Auxiliary members on the election to their new positions:

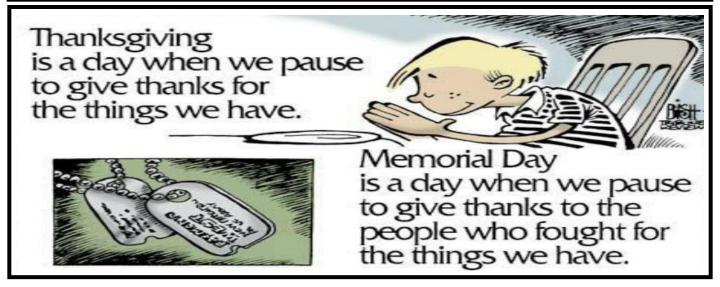
Men's Auxiliary President: Charles Finicum Senior Vice President Jeff Henry Junior Vice President Jimmy Adams Secretary Cass Carmona Treasurer Bert Livengood III Chaplain Glenn Bryson Trustee 1 Jim Simpson Trustee 2 Roger Henwood Trustee 3 Mike Patton

The Men's Auxiliary is proud to participate in the Post "Loyalty Day", and we congratulate our nominee Antony Fontenot! Tony has been a dutiful and proficient treasurer for our organization, and is stepping down after his several years of service to the Men's Auxiliary.

Our anxiously awaited "Prime Rib Extravaganza" will be on Friday, June 19th. Price will be \$12.50 per person, and will feature our usual tasty prime rib, along with a potato dish and vegetable, salad and bread. Ticket sales will begin in the middle of May, and will be available behind the bar in the canteen. We are limiting the seating to 135 so that there will be plenty of room and no one will go away hungry! As of 15 April, the Men's Auxiliary of Post 8561 was leading the department in highest percent of membership quota. As of that date, we were over 40 members, right at 139.78% of goal, and we voted 4 new members into the auxiliary at our April meeting. A huge amount of thanks goes to our members for recruiting new guys, and a special recognition to our Membership Chairman Jeff Henry.

Fraternally,

#### Charles



# MAY EVENTS





SUNDAY

03 MAY 2009 - 1400-1600





SATURDAY 02 MAY 09

# MAY EVENTS



Texas VFW District 21

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17 MAY 09 | 1000

V F W Post 8911

4937 Mansfield Hwy

Fort Worth, TX 76119

(817) 915-5650

VFW
POST 8561
MEETING
12 MAY 09
1900

MEN'S AUXILIARY MEETING 14 MAY 09 7PM



WOMEN'S
AUXILIARY
MEETING
11 MAY 09
7PM

## MAY EVENTS

### STEAK NIGHT



[F[R][]D]A]Y 22 MAY 09 | 6:30-8:30PM \$10







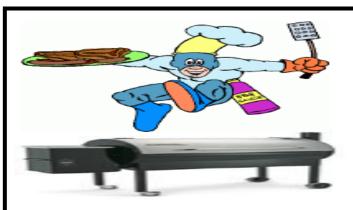
LADIES	2009-2010		
AUXILIARY	OFFICERS		
PRESIDENT	Amy Giddens		
SR. VICE	Petra Willms		
JR. VICE	Alice Turcotte		
TREASURER	Rita Simpson		
SECRETARY	TBA		
CHAPLAIN	Lisa Henekamp		
CONDUCTRESS	Lisa Czajka		
GUARD	Kathy Erichsrud		
TRUSTEE 1	EJ Plummer		
TRUSTEE 2	Anna Brown		
TRUSTEE 3	Vicki Werla		
PATRIOTIC INSTRUCTOR	TBA		
PUBLIC AFFAIRS	Melissa Jentgens		

POST 8561	2009 - 2010 OFFICERS				
COMMANDER	Glenn Talley				
SR. VICE	B.J. Lasik				
JR. VICE	Zane Predmore				
QUARTER MASTER	Ray Shugart				
JUDGE ADVOCATE	Tim Giddens				
CHAPLAIN	Paul Esparza				
SURGEON	Garry Swartz				
TRUSTEE 1	Tommy Farrell				
TRUSTEE 2	Bob Smith				
TRUSTEE 3	Jerry Keller				
ADJUTANT	Lowell Yoder				
SERVICE OFFICER	Ray Hunziker				
OFFICER OF THE DAY	Melvin Wilms				
GUARD	Garry Swartz				
POST WEBMASTER	B.J. Lasik				

MENS	2009-2010		
AUXILIARY	<b>OFFICERS</b>		
PRESIDENT	Charles Finicum		
SR. VICE	Jeff Henry		
JR. VICE	Jimmy Adams		
SECRETARY	Casmir Carmona		
TREASURER	Bert Livengood III		
CHAPLAIN	Glenn Bryson		
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TRUSTEE 1	Jim Simpson		
TRUSTEE 2	Roger Henwood		
TRUSTEE 3	Mike Patton		







**29-30** 

2009

## VFW POST 8561 12 TH ANNUAL BBQ COOKOFF



Post Round Table Events Meeting Sunday 31 MAY 2009 / NOON All Members Invited







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MEMBERSHIP
DUES
FOR 2009
ARE DUE



#### VFWPOST8561/CALENDAR

May 2009



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1 *First Quarter *CINCO DE MAYO DINNER 1830- 2030	2 *ALR MEETING 10-11:30AM *KENTUCKY DERBY - POST TIME AT THE POST *S.A.L. MEETING 1 PM
3 •LOYALTY DAY 1400-1600	4	5	6 •FLEET RESERVE - 1900	7 •SHUFFLEBOARD - 5:30 PM	8 •Full Moon •HOMEMADE BURGER NIGHT 6:30- 8:30 \$6	9 •PRIVATE PARTY
<b>10</b> •BREAKFAST 09-1130 \$4.00	11 •LADIES AUX MTG 7PM	12 *PATIENTS DAY OUT 9:30AM - 2PM *VFW VETS MTG - 1930	13	14 *SHUFFLEBOARD - 5:30 PM *MENS AUXILIARY MEETING AT 7PM	15 •SPAGHETTI NIGHT- 1830-2030 \$6	16 •PRIVATE PARTY
17 •Third Quarter •DISTRICT 21 MEETING POST 8911 1000	18	19 •AM LGN. MEETING - 1900	20	21 •SHUFFLEBOARD - 5:30 PM		23 •PRIVATE PARTY
24 •New Moon •FLAGS AT ARL MEM CEMETERY - 0800 •OFFICER INSTALLATION 2PM	25 •ELKS CEREMONY AT NOON	26 •AM LGN. AUX MTG - 1900	27	28 •SHUFFLEBOARD - 5:30 PM •82ND AIRBORNE MTG 2000	29 •BBQ COOKOFF •BIRTHDAY BABIES 6-8PM	30 •First Quarter •BBQ COOKOFF
31  *BREAKFAST 09-1130 \$4.00  *CALENDAR MEETING NOON TO  DISCUSS JUL EVENTS						

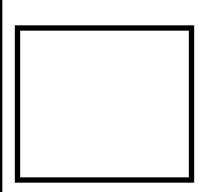
For questions regarding this calendar, contact: Webmaster: BJ Lasik

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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 10 AND 31 MAY 09 for our Post Breakfast and Buffet.





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

Every Thursday is Happy Hour!

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