

## Commander: Glenn Talley Next Meeting: 09 FEB 2010 1900

This VFW year is moving right along. We are looking good in our programs. We have several in the works that we are about to complete. We are currently at 94% in membership. There are still many annual members who have not renewed their membership. The Post needs your membership, but more important, National needs your membership. Believe me, you do not want to look up one day and find out that Congress has done away with all Veteran benefits. I went into the Navy in 1964. There are many of you out there who can remember what kind of benefits we had then verses what we have now. National has to be able to keep the pressure on Congress and the way they accomplish that is by having the membership numbers. The dues are \$25.00 a year: a small amount to pay to help keep benefits in place.

When events are scheduled on Friday night and food is available, these are always fund raisers for the unit providing the food. The money raised helps the individual units pay for the mandatory programs that they have to accomplish during the year. We have a lot of members, but not so many that support these events. Help us out. The food is good and you will see a lot of old friends.

This question has come up, here is the answer. TABC says that anything that contains alcohol that is served/consumed in the Post must be on one of our invoices to be legally served. We don't allow people who rent the back room to bring alcohol in the building and we don't allow members to bring their own beverages in. If we did that how would we pay the bills???

We have lots of events scheduled for February, including Super Bowl Sunday and Valentine's Day. Check the calendar and come and join us and bring a friend.

When was the last time YOU visited your Post???

# Glenn



#### Ladies Auxiliary President: Amy Giddens Next Meeting: 02 FEB 2010 7PM

Auxiliary Sisters,

I hope everyone enjoyed the "White Christmas". New Year's Eve welcomed a new decade, and January provided Texas with winter weather not seen for several decades. I hope utility bills does not damper your warmth and generosity to keep sponsoring programs geared to helping Veterans, old and young.

In February, the Ladies Auxiliary of VFW Post 8561 will be sponsoring a dinner on the 5th. The proceeds will go to the "America Supports You" organization. The week of February 7th thru 13th is Hospital Volunteer Week. VFW Post 8561 will be hosting Patients Day Out on the 9th. Valentine Party on the 12th and STARS party is planned for Feb. 13th. Please come out and have a good time with good food and good friends. A special Pin Party is planned for the 21st.

As Auxiliary President, I would like to say a special "Thank You" to all Auxiliary members for your continued support, help and dedication to the Veterans of Foreign Wars of Post 8561.

Yours truly, AMY

Men's Auxiliary Senior Vice President: Ric Selvera Next Auxiliary Meeting: Thursday 11 FEB 2010 7:00PM

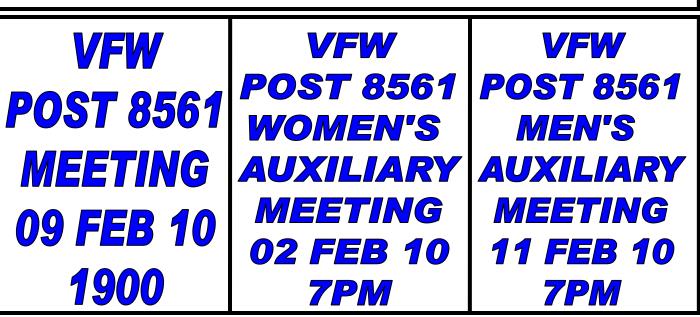
Greetings to All!

I want to thank everyone who braved the weather and joined us for the Italian dinner on the  $8^{\mbox{th}}.$ 

Remember that every other Thursday we are cooking hamburgers.

God Bless and be well.

Ric













### BIRTHDAY PARTY FOR KATHERINE PITTMAN



#### SUNDAY 21 FEBRUARY 2010 / 4PM TIL?

THE FOLLOWING ORGANIZATIONS ARE GIVING THIS PARTY: VFW POST 8561 AND AUXILIARIES AMERICAN LEGION POST 60, AUXILIARIES, AND RIDERS ELKS LODGE 2114

DINNER SERVED AT 5PM WE WILL HAVE A SILENT AUCTION AND 50/50 RAFFLE ENTERTAINMENT WILL BE PROVIDED

PLEASE CALL VFW POST 8561 AT 817 633 8332 TO VOLUNTEER







ROB LACEY



#### SHUFFLE BOARD TOURNAMENT RESULTS

As Of 28 JAN 2010								
NAME	DATE	MATCH	PLACE					
TOMMY FARRELL AND JIM SPEER	28-Jan-10	1	1ST					
BRIGITTE SPEER AND FRANK ROSS	28-Jan-10	1	2ND					
VICKI WERLA AND BRIGITTE SPEER	21-Jan-10	1	1ST					
CHARLENE GORMAN AND FRANK ROSS	21-Jan-10	1	2ND					
VICKI WERLA AND BRIGITTE SPEER	14-Jan-10	1	1ST					
ED ADAMS AND TOMMY FARRELL	14-Jan-10	1	2ND					
TOMMY FARRELL AND JIM SPEER	7-Jan-10	1	1ST					
BRIGITTE SPEER AND JOHNNY PRAETORIUS	7-Jan-10	1	2ND					



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6-Jan-10



**B.J. LASIK** 

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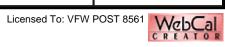




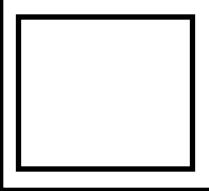
### VFWPOST8561/CALENDAR

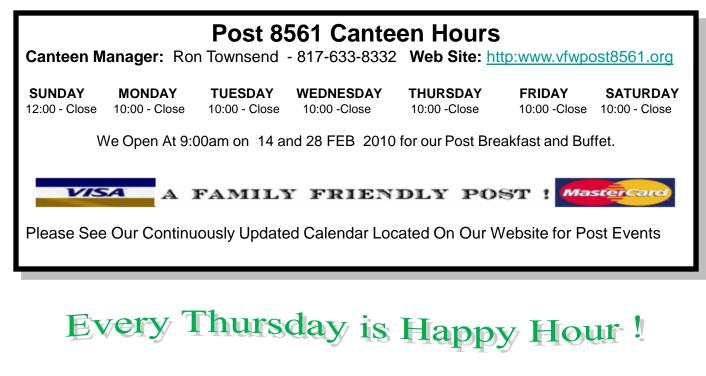
VFWPOST8561/CALENDAR February 2010								
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday		
	1	2 •LADIES AUX MTG 7PM	3 •8 BALL POOL TOURNEY - 1900 •FLEET RESERVE - 1900	<b>4</b> •SHUFFLEBOARD - 5:30 <u>PM</u> • <u>HAMBURGER NIGHT</u>	5 •Third Quarter •KING RANCH CHICKEN DINNER 6:30-8:30PM \$8	6 •ALR MEETING 10- 11:30AM •S.A.L. MEETING 11:30		
<b>7</b> • <u>SUPER BOWL XLIV -</u> 1730	8	9 •PATIENTS DAY OUT 9:30AM - 2PM •VFW VETS MTG - 1900	<b>10</b> •8 BALL POOL TOURNEY - 1900	11 •SHUFFLEBOARD - 5:30 PM •HAMBURGER NIGHT •MENS AUXILIARY MEETING AT 7PM	12 •VALENTINES DINNER - 6 - 8:30PM \$15/PERSON	13 •New Moon •STARS PARTY 13-1500		
<b>14</b> • <u>BREAKFAST 09-1130</u> \$4.00	<b>15</b> • <u>PRESIDENTS DAY -</u> HAPPY HOUR ALL DAY	<b>16</b> •AM LGN. MEETING - 1900	<b>17</b> • <u>8 BALL POOL TOURNEY -</u> 1900	<b>18</b> •SHUFFLEBOARD - 5:30 PM •HAMBURGER NIGHT	<b>19</b> • <u>CHICKEN FRIED STEAK -</u> 1830-2030 \$8	20		
21 •First Quarter •LAUX PIN LUNCHEON - 2PM •PITTMAN BIRTHDAY PARTY 4PM - ??	22	23 •AM LGN. AUX MTG - 1900	<b>24</b> • <u>8 BALL POOL TOURNEY -</u> 1900	25 •SHUFFLEBOARD - 5:30 PM •HAMBURGER NIGHT •82ND AIRBORNE MTG 2000	<b>26</b> • <u>FISHFRY 6-8PM - \$8</u>	27		
28 •Full Moon •BREAKFAST 09-1130 \$4.00 •CALENDAR MEETING NOON TO DISCUSS APR EVENTS								

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









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