

# Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States



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## GREAT SOUTHWEST MEMORIAL VFW POST 8561 ALL-STATE POST 2008-2009

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VFW POST 8561 NEWSLETTER FEB 2010 VI

**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**



# **KING RANCH CHICKEN DINNER**

**FRIDAY**

**05 FEB 10**

**6:30-8:30PM \$8**

**07 FEB 10**



# **SUPERBOWL**



**BRING YOUR FAVORITE SIDE DISH**

**HAPPY HOUR**

**KICKOFF 5:30PM**

# **PATIENTS DAY OUT**



**TUESDAY**

**09 FEB 10**

**9:30AM-2:00PM**

**VFW POST 8561**

**ARLINGTON, TX**



## **LADIES AUXILIARY**

VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS - 2009-2010

**MEMBERSHIP AWARD**

Bluebonnet Award 100% by 12/09



**AUXILIARY 8561**

ARLINGTON  
DISTRICT 21

*Cleo Hornady  
Department  
President*

*Melanie McConaghy  
Department  
Chairman*

*Continue to Care for Our Veterans*



# **'ALL YOU CAN EAT'**

**BREAKFAST \$4.00**

**EVERY 2ND AND LAST SUNDAY**

**SERVING 9-11:30 AM**

*"It's Time For Breakfast!"*



**WE WANT**

**YOU**

**TO JOIN US!**



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JOIN THE VFW  
OR AUXILIARY



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**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<sup>th</sup>.

Remember that every other Thursday we are cooking hamburgers.

God Bless and be well.

**Ric**

**VFW**  
**POST 8561**  
**MEETING**  
**09 FEB 10**  
**1900**

**VFW**  
**POST 8561**  
**WOMEN'S**  
**AUXILIARY**  
**MEETING**  
**02 FEB 10**  
**7PM**

**VFW**  
**POST 8561**  
**MEN'S**  
**AUXILIARY**  
**MEETING**  
**11 FEB 10**  
**7PM**

# FEB EVENTS

## **VALENTINE'S DAY ITALIAN FEAST**

**IT AIN'T PASTA STATION  
FOUR DIFFERENT PASTAS  
SHRIMP ALFREDO SAUCE  
CHICKEN ALFREDO  
ITALIAN MEATBALLS  
PASTA RUSTICA  
DESSERT BAR  
COMPLIMENTARY CHAMPAGNE  
MUSIC BY PRIVATE PARTY ENTERTAINMENT  
8PM - ????**



**CONTACT:  
Ron Townsend 817 917 0282  
Pam Shelby 817 832 4714**

**12 FEB 10 6-8:30PM**

**Reservations by Ticket Purchase Only  
\$15.00 per person**

**2010 STARS PARTY!**



**SATURDAY**

**13 FEBRUARY 2010**

**1-3PM**

**VFW POST 8561**



**PRESIDENTS  
DAY**

**MONDAY  
15 FEB 10**

**HAPPY HOUR ALL DAY**

# FEB EVENTS



## **CHICKEN FRIED STEAK**

**FRIDAY**

**19 FEB 10**

**6:30 -8:30PM \$8**



**Ladies Auxiliary  
Membership Pin  
Presentation**

**Sunday**

**21 February 10**

**2PM**

**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



# **F I S H**

# **R Y**

**POST 8561**

**FRIDAY**

**26 FEB 10**

**6-8PM \$8**

# FEB EVENTS

## 8 - BALL



**POOL TOURNAMENT  
EVERY WEDNESDAY - 1900**

**VFW POST 8561**

### POOL TOURNAMENT RESULTS

As Of 27 JAN 2010

NAME	PLACE	DATE
BERT LIVENGOOD	1ST	27-Jan-10
TOMMY FARRELL	2ND	27-Jan-10
MARVIN MILLER	1ST	20-Jan-10
NICK MADRANO	2ND	20-Jan-10
HERB KOENIG	1ST	13-Jan-10
TOMMY FARRELL	2ND	13-Jan-10
NICK MADRANO	1ST	6-Jan-10
ROB LACEY	2ND	6-Jan-10

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

**VFW POST 8561**

### 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

**DON'T FORGET  
HAMBURGERS ON  
SHUFFLEBOARD NIGHT**



**AM I ELIGIBLE  
TO JOIN  
THE VFW OR AUXILIARY?**

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*Post Round Table Events Meeting  
SUNDAY 28 FEB 2010 / NOON All Members Invited*

**TO DISCUSS  
APR 2010  
EVENTS!**





VFW POST 8561 / CALENDAR

February 2010



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

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**3221 Howell Street**

**Post 8561**

**Great Southwest Memorial**

**VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS**

**VFW 8561**



### 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 and 28 FEB 2010 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 Happy Hour !**

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