

Commander: Glenn Talley Next Meeting: 13 JUL 2010 1900

We had some really good participation in the Post in June. The Army Birthday had a good turn out. Ray Hunziker was in charge of that successful event. The Men's Auxiliary and the Boy Scouts did their usual great job with their Prime Rib dinner and entertainment for Father's Day. The Steak Night we offered during the VFW State Convention was a great success. Rita, Jim, and Sean Simpson, Dorr Finicum, Jane East, Amy and Tim Giddens, B. J. Lasik, Randy Tarpley, Alice Turcotte, Mary Westmoreland, Stewart Pike, Brigitte Speer, Petra Willms, Ron Townsend, Celeste Stegall, Trish Sorrentino, and our wonderful staff, Nicole, Pam, and Toni, all helped to make that night a great success. I want to especially thank Rick Norman and Ray Shugart for driving the vans; bringing people from the Hyatt at DFW and taking them back. We had a great turnout from District 21, plus a fair amount of people from other districts that were attending the VFW State Convention. I heard nothing but positive comments from those folks on Saturday at the Convention. Some of them stopped by for breakfast on Sunday also.

Now, having given out all of that praise; let me remind you that three successful nights does not mean a successful business month. Utilities, the State of Texas, the IRS, and the Vendors that support our Canteen, take a BIG chunk of change out every month. The Canteen receipts make up between 50 and 60 percent of what it takes to maintain the Post each month. Fifty to seventy five members routinely support our Post in any given week. This includes members of the auxiliaries, American Legion Post 60 members and their auxiliaries, and friends and relatives. The rest of the funds have to be made up by renting the back room for functions, fund raisers, or donations. The parties are good, but, I have noticed that as a group they are spending \$600.00 to \$800.00 where last year it was \$1200.00 to \$1500.00. We need help each month just to break even. For those of you that just can't or won't come out, I am going to ask you to do something that I have seen other Posts resorting to. If each of you donated \$30.00 each month or when you can, that would help the Post stay solvent.

If you are not up to speed on what it takes to keep a business open, then, make arrangements for Mike or myself to go over the books. Mike Hinkle, Ron Townsend and I have multiple conversations a day trying to figure out what else we can do to keep this place going. Remember, we also have a round table meeting on the last Sunday of each month to plan for the next two months. Everybody and anybody who is associated with this Post is invited.



Help Keep Your Post Alive!!!



Ladies Auxiliary President: Amy Giddens Next Meeting: 06 JUL 2010 7PM

Sisters,

I hope you had a chance to see our well deserved awards received at District and Department. As you can see, this Auxiliary is active in Community projects as well as helping Veterans and their families in the post, with our adopted unit, and statewide Veterans. Our membership is growing. This is a volunteer organization, don't be afraid to help. There is always something to do.

I would like to see all the new ladies auxiliary members at the next couple of meetings for two reasons. 1) To get acquainted with you and have you learn who the officers are in case you have questions or ideas that can't wait until the next meeting, and 2) each members input is very important and we discuss more at the meeting than is published in the newsletter. July 1st is the beginning of the 2010-11 Auxiliary years. Please plan on getting involved this year. Your personal reward is greater than your exertion, and you make a lot of good friends.

Kick-Off for District 21 is July 25th. Please plan on attending.

Yours Truly, AMY

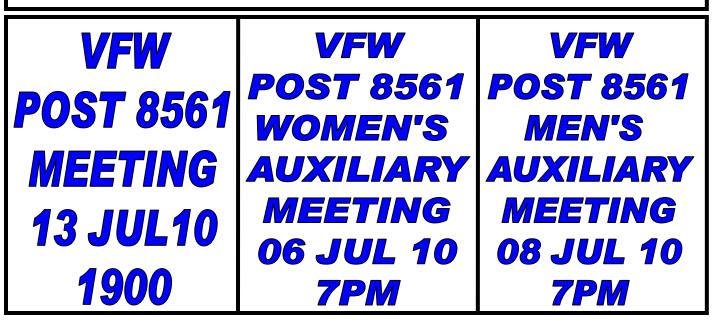
Men's Auxiliary Sr. Vice President: Ric Selvera Next Meeting Thursday 08 JUL 2010 7:00PM

Hello,

I would like to start off by thinking everyone who helped with the Father's Day Prime Rib Dinner, especially the Boy scouts; Thank You Guys for all the hard work! We had a great turn out and everyone seemed to have enjoyed themselves. I would like to take this opportunity to ask for any input that You as members of the Men's Aux may have to help us either raise money, or just have something You think may help us as a whole. If you have something that you would like to have considered and do not feel comfortable addressing the group, please can send me an e-mail and I would be more than happy to bring it to the table. I also have to express a certain amount of disappointment in the turn out of the last couple of meetings. We really need to pick up the numbers. If you have a friend that may be interested in joining let me know and we can arrange for them to see what the Men's Aux is all about. Let's have a great July, have a happy and safe fourth!!!!

Thank You and God Bless,

RIC





















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POOL TOURNAMENT RESULTS

As Of 23 JUN 2010						
NAME	PLACE	DATE				
RAY GARCIA	1ST	23-Jun-10				
JOHNNY PRAETORIUS	2ND	23-Jun-10				
MIKE HINKLE	1ST	16-Jun-10				
RAY GARCIA	2ND	16-Jun-10				
SPIDER	1ST	9-Jun-10				
DORIS	2ND	9-Jun-10				
ANDRE HANEKAMP	1ST	2-Jun-10				
TIM GIDDENS	2ND	2-Jun-10				



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SHUFFLE BOARD TOURNAMENT RESULTS

As Of 24 JUN 2010								
NAME	DATE	MATCH	PLACE					
CHARLENE GORMAN AND TOMMY FARRELL	24-Jun-10	1	1ST					
BRIGITTE SPEER AND FRANK ROSS	24-Jun-10	1	2ND					
BRIGITTE SPEER AND LARRY BREDESEN	17-Jun-10	1	1ST					
TOMMY FARREL AND JIMMY ADAMS	17-Jun-10	1	2ND					
ALICE TURCOTTE AND ED ADAMS	10-Jun-10	1	1ST					
MARY WESTMORLAND AND JIMMY ADAMS	10-Jun-10	1	2ND					
BRIGITTE SPEER AND TOMMY FARRELL	3-Jun-10	1	1ST					
NORMA LEVY AND MARVIN MILLER	3-Jun-10	1	2ND					



B.J. LASIK

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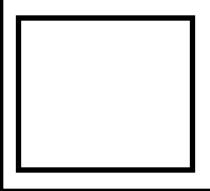
VFWPOST8561/CALENDAR July 2010							
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	
				1 • <u>SHUFFLEBOARD - 5:30</u> <u>PM</u> • <u>HAMBURGER NIGHT</u>	2 • <u>BLT NIGHT - 1830-2030 -</u> <u>\$4</u>	3 •ALR MEETING 10- 11:30AM •S.A.L. MEETING 11:30 •HAPPY BIRTHDAY AMERICA!	
4 ∙Third Quarter	5	6 •LADIES AUX MTG 7PM	7 • <u>8 BALL POOL TOURNEY -</u> <u>1900</u>	8 •SHUFFLEBOARD - 5:30 PM •HAMBURGER NIGHT •MENS AUXILIARY MEETING AT 7PM	9 •NRD RECRUITERS - 0900 •FISHFRY 1830-2030 - \$8	10 •FLAGS DOWN - DFW <u>CEMETERY 0800</u> • <u>LAUX OFFICER</u> TRAINING POST 8911	
11 •New Moon • <u>BREAKFAST 09-1130</u> <u>\$4.00</u>	12	13 • <u>VFW VETS MTG - 1900</u>	14 •8 BALL POOL TOURNEY - 1900	15 •SHUFFLEBOARD - 5:30 <u>PM</u> •HAMBURGER NIGHT	16 • <u>SPAGHETTI NIGHT-</u> <u>1830-2030 \$7</u>	17	
18 •First Quarter	19	20 •AM LGN. MEETING - 1900	21 • <u>8 BALL POOL TOURNEY -</u> 1900	22 •SHUFFLEBOARD - 5:30 PM •HAMBURGER NIGHT •82ND AIRBORNE MTG 2000	23 • <u>STEAK NIGHT 630-830PM</u> <u>\$12</u>	24	
25 •Full Moon •BREAKFAST 09-1130 §4.00 •CALENDAR MEETING 1145 TO DISCUSS SEP EVENTS •21ST DISTRICT KICK OFF - 1300 POST 9299	26	27 •AM LGN. AUX MTG - 1900	28 •8 BALL POOL TOURNEY - 1900	29 •SHUFFLEBOARD - 5:30 <u>PM</u> •HAMBURGER NIGHT	30 • <u>CHICKEN AND SHRIMP</u> SALAD 1830-2030 \$7	31	

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