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VFW POST 8561

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VFW POST 8561 UPDATE AUG 2011 V1

A FAMILY FRIENDLY POST

Commander: Glenn Talley

Next Meeting: 10 AUG 2011 1900

Membership; I talked about it last month and now we are getting ready to start the month of August. Six members paid their 2012 annual dues in July and one member bought a life membership. We need 125 more members to pay their 2012 annual dues or buy a life membership by 30 September 2011 Remember, paying your annual dues gets you 2 drink chips; buying a life membership gets you 5 drink chips.

I will say it, and say it again; we must have membership to allow National to keep the pressure on Congress not to cut our hard won benefits. Congress is looking at anything and everything to cut the debt. The only things that seem to be sacred cows are Foreign Aid and their salaries. Help us out by paying your dues.

Watch the calendar. We have a really great Health Fair scheduled for the 14th of August. Come join us for breakfast that morning and check out the Health Fair that afternoon. Lots of other events are scheduled for the month and the Cowboys are back on the field. The Rangers are starting to look like they are going to be the ones to beat in the American League.

Come and join us and bring a friend.

Glenn

Help Keep Your Post Alive!!!



Ladies Auxiliary President: Celeste Stegall

Next Meeting: 02 AUG 2011 7PM

Sisters,

I want to invite each of you to come to our monthly meetings on the first Tuesday of each month at 7 pm. We will have our District 21 President visiting our meeting on August 2nd. Remember our biggest fundraisers are Burger Nights and Friday night dinners.

August events are Patients Day Out 8/9; Friday Night Dinner benefiting Susan B Komen with Patti Stilson as entertainment 8/12; Health Fair 8/14. Please try to come out and support these events.

Please turn in coupons for the troops to Amy Giddens. Care packages are temporarily on hold due to troops coming home. We also are having a school supply drive as a youth program. Pam Shelby, our youth chairman, has chosen Speer Elementary and Kookan Elementary to receive the donated school supplies. There is a donation box under the shuffleboard table for care packages and school supplies. Please continue to save your box tops and Campbell soup labels and give them to Amy Giddens. There will be a surprise at the end of the year for the person who collects the most.

Please come out and see what you would like to do to support the auxiliary. All help is greatly appreciated.

Thanks for all you do for our veterans!

God Bless America,

CELESTE

Men's Auxiliary President: Stewart Pike

Next Meeting: 11 AUG 2011 7PM

Brothers

I am looking forward to another successful year for the Men's Aux's with your support and input. We are going to have a Taco Bar on this Friday! Look forward to seeing everybody there. Mark your calendars for our monthly meetings on every second Thursday of each month. We have a lot of events to plan and make happen.

Please check the post calendar for events coming up. The post has a lot of fun events planned.

The 4th of July parade was a great success for all that was involved. Hope you were able to see us. It was not only fun but a great honor to be involved in such a great event. These are the kind of things we hope to participate in to help the post succeed as a group effort.

I want to thank everybody for their support in my health issues this past month. This was a great example of our brotherhood. Thanks again.

Thank you and God Bless!

STEW

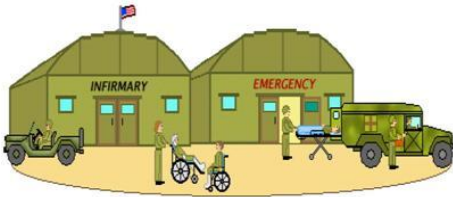
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AUG EVENTS

PATIENTS DAY OUT



TUESDAY

09 AUG 11

9:30AM-2:00PM

VFW POST 8561

ARLINGTON, TX

FRIDAY

12 AUG 11

ENCHILADA

DINNER

1830-2030 \$8

PATTI STILSON

ENTERTAINMENT

2000 - MIDNIGHT

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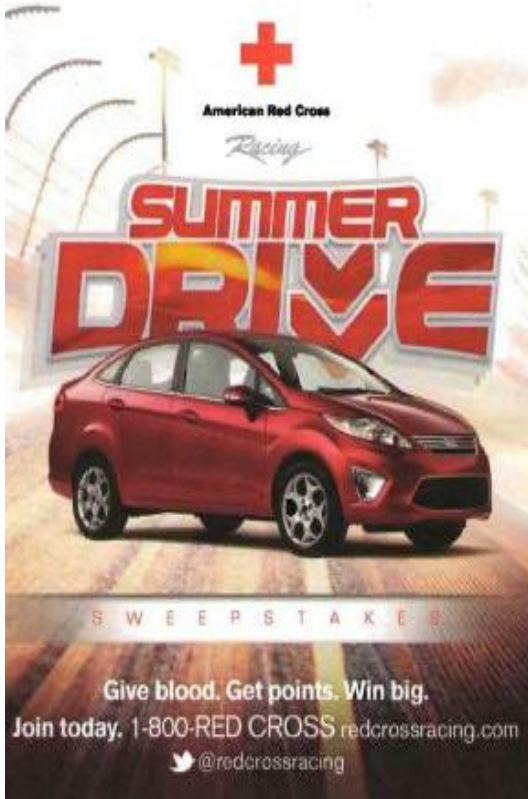
AMERICAN RED CROSS – BLOOD DONATION TRUCK
CHIROPRACTOR – DR. RON CLAWSON
HEALTH INSURANCE REPRESENTATIVES
MELINDA ALLBRITTON – CANCER INS. CHRISTINE RICHARDSON – LIFE INS.
REGISTERED DIETICIANS
(DIABETES SCREENING AND COOKING DEMO FOR PLANT BASED DIETS)
ELECTRONIC HEALTH RECORDS EXPERT – CYNTHIA ALDER
HULA HOOP DEMO – EXERCISE PROGRAM
BENEFIT BAKE SALE BY VFW LADIES AUX
(FOR SUSAN G. KOMEN)
ADVOCARE
AMERICAN HEART ASSOCIATION
FREE FLU SHOTS COURTESY OF CVS PHARMACY

MORE DETAILS COMING.

14 AUG 11 | 1 - 5PM FREE !

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3221 HOWELL ST.
ARLINGTON, TX.
817 633 8332**

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VFW Post 8561 Blood Drive

Sunday, August 14th
1:00 pm to 5:00 pm

Donor Coach

Contact: Pam Shelby at 817-633-8332
to schedule an appointment.

donate for your chance to win a \$250 weekly gas card giveaway.

FIESTA



CHICKEN

SPANISH RICE | REFRIED BEANS
SALSA | SALAD

FRIDAY

19 AUG 11

1830-2000 \$8



FISH

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Y

POST 8561

FRIDAY

26 AUG 2011

1830-2000 \$8

AUG EVENTS

VFW

112th NATIONAL CONVENTION



SAN ANTONIO
27 AUG - 01 SEP 2011
[HTTP://WWW.VFW.ORG](http://www.vfw.org)

LADIES AUXILIARY MEMBERSHIP AWARDS !!!

LAUX MEMBER'S AWARDS:

❖ Each member securing 7 new or reinstated members from July 1, 2011 through Dec 15, 2011 will qualify for a \$50.00 drawing to be held at the Mid-Winter Convention.

❖ Each member securing 20 new or reinstated members from July 1, 2011 through May 31, 2012 will receive a citation and be entered into a drawing for \$50.00 at the Department Convention. She will also receive special recognition from National Headquarters as *Aide de Camp* during National Convention 2012.

VFW MEMBER'S AWARDS:

➤ Each VFW member who recruits 5 new or reinstated members for the Ladies Auxiliary from July 1, 2011 through May 15, 2012 will receive an award at the Department Convention.

➤ The VFW member who recruits the most new or reinstated members for the Ladies Auxiliary from July 1, 2011 through May 15, 2012 will receive a cash award of \$50.00 at the Department Convention. In case of a tie, a drawing will be held to determine the winner.

Our Ladies Auxiliary has already qualified to be entered into a \$25.00 drawing at Mid-Winter Convention, as we have attained 65.77% prior to August 31, 2011!!!

If you haven't renewed yet, please do so ASAP!!!

SCHOOL SUPPLY DRIVE



THE SCHOOL WE ARE HELPING IS KOOKEN EDUCATION CENTER
 PRE-KINDERGARTEN

THEY ARE IN INTERGRATION SCHOOL FOR DISABLED PRESCHOOLERS

ITEMS REQUESTED:

- | | |
|--|---|
| 1 – box baggies, sealable gallon | 2 – boxes baby wipes, 80 count |
| 1 – box baggies, sealable quart | 4 – glue sticks |
| 1 – box baggies sealable sandwich size | 1 – pkg. markers, washable, wide tip, 8 count, classic colors |
| 4 – boxes tissue | 1 – pkg. 9X12 manila paper, 50 count |
| 1 – pkg. 9X12 construction paper, assorted, 50 count | 1 – pkg. white paper plates, 50 count |
| 1 – pkg. 9X12 construction paper, white, 50 count | 4 – rolls paper towel |
| 2 – boxes crayons, 8 count | 1 – bottle hand sanitizer |
| 10 – folders with pockets and brads (blue, green, red, yellow) | Boys/Girls Underwear size 3/5 |
| Paper towels and Kleenex | |

THIS IS THE LIST SENT HOME FOR EACH INDIVIDUAL CHILD
 THEY ARE IN NEED OF "EXTRAS" FOR THE CHILDREN

SCHOOL SUPPLY DRIVE



THE SCHOOL WE ARE HELPING IS SPEER ELEMENTARY
 PRE-K - / 6th GRADE

ITEMS REQUESTED:

- | | |
|--|---|
| sealable baggies - gallon | notebook paper, wide rule, 200 ct |
| sealable baggies - quart | rulers, metric and inches |
| 12 x 18 construction paper, assorted 50 ct | spiral composition notebooks, 70 ct, assorted |
| 9 x 12 construction paper, assorted 50 ct | plastic folders with brads and pockets |
| 9 x 12 construction paper, white 50 ct | copy paper |
| crayons 8 ct | 5 tab colored index dividers |
| crayons 24 ct | protractors |
| folders with pockets and brads, assorted | Kleenex |
| bottle glue 4 oz | baby wipes, 80 ct |
| glue sticks | liquid hand soap 7.5 oz |
| washable wide tip markers, 8 ct classic | pump paper towels |
| 9 x 12 manila paper 50 ct | |
| 12 x 18 manila paper 50 ct | |
| #2 pencils | |
| scissors, blunt and sharp | |
| composition notebook, black marble 100 ct | |
| eraser, pink pearl | |

THIS IS THE LIST SENT HOME FOR EACH INDIVIDUAL CHILD
 THEY ARE IN NEED OF "EXTRAS" FOR THE CHILDREN
<http://www.alsd.net/alsd/Default.aspx?alias=www.alsd.net/alsd/speer>

AUG EVENTS

8 - BALL



**POOL TOURNAMENT
EVERY WEDNESDAY - 1900**



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KOREA ARMISTICE



THURSDAYS
\$5 BURGER SHUFFLEBOARD NIGHT
1730 - SOLD OUT 5:30 PM

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SHUFFLE BOARD TOURNAMENT RESULTS

As Of 28 JUL 2011

NAME	DATE	MATCH	PLACE
ELNA FRANCE AND ED ADAMS	28-Jul-11	1	1ST
MARY WESTMORLAND AND LARRY BREDESON	28-Jul-11	1	2ND
ED ADAMS AND RON CLAWSON	21-Jul-11	1	1ST
CHERYL BRADLEY AND VICKI WERLA	21-Jul-11	1	2ND
LARRY BREDESON AND ED FARRIS	14-Jul-11	1	1ST
CHERYL BRADLEY AND CLARK RATTAN	14-Jul-11	1	2ND
VICKI WERLA AND CLARK RATTAN	7-Jul-11	1	1ST
MARY WESTMORELAND AND JIMMY ADAMS	7-Jul-11	1	2ND
ED ADAMS AND RON CLAWSON	30-Jun-11	1	1ST
DAVE BRIDGES AND TOMMY FARRELL	30-Jun-11	1	2ND

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



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

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

We are collecting reading materials to take to the patients at the V.A. Hospital and the residents of Liberty House. Bring your unneeded books and magazines to the post for distribution to these facilities! There is not a deadline for this, it is an On-Going Project.

<http://www.libertyhouse.mhmrtc.org>



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Newsletter Comments can be Emailed to

NEWS@vfwpost8561.org or call the Post at 817 633 8332

AUG EVENTS

Post Round Table Events Meeting
 SUNDAY AUG 28 2011 / NOON Everyone Invited

TO DISCUSS
OCT 2011
EVENTS!



TROOP CARE PACKAGES

ITEMS REQUESTED BY OUR TROOPS:

SUNBLOCK	CHAPSTICK
LOCAL NEWSPAPERS	INSECT REPELLENT
TAMPONS	SOCKS (WHITE COTTON)
FLIP-FLOPS (SIZE 9-11)	FLY SWATTERS
DRIED FRUIT	BANDANAS
LOTION (DRY SKIN)	SWEAT RAGS/TOWELS
LARGE BATH TOWELS (BUT NOT BEACH)	FLAVORED DRINK MIX (FOR WATER)
MUSCLE SHIRTS	POP TARTS
BABY WIPES	ASSORTED HARD CANDIES
CHEESE OR PEANUT BUTTER CRACKERS	TOOTHPASTE (SMALL SIZES)
SHAMPOO (SMALL SIZES)	TOOTHBRUSHES
PLAYING CARDS	SUNFLOWER SEEDS
BOOT INSOLES	TWIN SIZE SHEETS
TOILET PAPER	EYEGLOSS REPAIR KITS
BEEF JERKY	MISC. OTC MEDICINES
CHEWING GUM (BLISTER PACK)	CARDS/LETTERS TO THE TROOPS

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 CAR SHOW



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BREAKFAST \$5.00
EVERY 2ND AND LAST SUNDAY
SERVING 9-11:30 AM

"It's Time For Breakfast!"



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JULY 4TH PARADE



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JULY 4TH PARADE



20110710
CAR SHOW



1st Annual
Dukes DFW C.C. Car Show
July 10, 2011
12pm - 5pm
Free Admission
DFW Chapter
Bonsing VFW Post 8561
3221 Howell St.
Arlington, TX 76010
(817) 633-9332

20110710
CAR SHOW

MEMBERSHIP

To help the membership drive and to give an incentive to do it before 30 September 2011, the post will give 2 drink chips to each person who renews their annual membership before the September date.

If a life membership is purchased, either full payment or by installment, the post will give that member 5 drink chips.

We need to get together and make this happen and help the VFW as an organization, survive.

Life Membership Fee Schedule Attained Age on 12/31	One Time Payment	Life 12 Month Payment Plan
Through Age 30	\$425.00	\$38.64
31-40	\$410.00	\$37.27
41-50	\$375.00	\$34.09
51-60	\$335.00	\$30.45
61-70	\$290.00	\$26.36
71-80	\$225.00	\$20.45
81 and over	\$170.00	\$15.45

12 month payment plan must be paid by credit card or debit card.

The Annual dues, is still \$25.00. That is really nothing compared to what some businesses spend on lobbyists in Washington in a year. Let's make this happen.



VFW POST 8561 / CALENDAR

August 2011



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2 •NRD GREETING DAY 1500-1900 •LADIES AUX MTG 7PM	3 •8 BALL POOL TOURNEY - 1900	4 •SHUFFLEBOARD - 5:30 PM •HAMBURGER NIGHT	5 •TACO BAR 1830-2000 \$7	6 •AM LG AND AL RIDERS MEETING 1000
7	8	9 •PATIENTS DAY OUT 9:30AM - 2PM •VFW VETS MTG - 1900	10 •8 BALL POOL TOURNEY - 1900	11 •SHUFFLEBOARD - 5:30 PM •HAMBURGER NIGHT •MENS AUXILIARY MEETING AT 7PM	12 •ENCHILADA CASSEROLE 1830-2030 \$8 •FOR SUSAN G. KOMEN •ENTERTAINMENT	13
14 •BREAKFAST 09-1130 \$5.00 •HEALTH FAIR 1300-1700	15	16 •AM LGN. MEETING - 1900	17 •8 BALL POOL TOURNEY - 1900	18 •SHUFFLEBOARD - 5:30 PM •HAMBURGER NIGHT	19 •FIESTA CHICKEN 1830- 2030 \$8	20 •GARAGE SALE 09-1600
21 •GARAGE SALE NOON- 1600	22	23 •AM LGN. AUX MTG - 1900	24 •8 BALL POOL TOURNEY - 1900	25 •SHUFFLEBOARD - 5:30 PM •HAMBURGER NIGHT	26 •FISH 1830-2030 \$8	27 •NATIONAL CONVENTION SAN ANTONIO
28 •NATIONAL CONVENTION SAN ANTONIO •BREAKFAST 09-1130 \$5.00 •CALENDAR MEETING NOON TO DISCUSS SEP 2011 EVENTS	29 •NATIONAL CONVENTION SAN ANTONIO	30 •NATIONAL CONVENTION SAN ANTONIO	31 •NATIONAL CONVENTION SAN ANTONIO •8 BALL POOL TOURNEY - 1900			

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 The 2ND AND Last Sunday for our Post Breakfast and Buffet



A FAMILY FRIENDLY POST !



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

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