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GREAT SOUTHWEST MEMORIAL VFW POST 8561

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VFW POST 8561 UPDATE SEP 2011 V1

A FAMILY FRIENDLY POST

Commander: Glenn Talley

Next Meeting: 13 SEP 2011 1900

The Post is going into the last 30 days of our drive to get all annual members to pay (\$25.00) their 2012 dues. At this point we have 28 who have done so. That is 21.2%. It would appear that not too many members are interested in keeping the VFW's ability to be a watch dog over congress in place. We cannot afford to let the VA Health Care system and all other benefits that VFW has worked for in the last 100+ years go by the wayside. Step forward and help us out. Everyone out there has some bad habits, none of which are as cheap to maintain as the \$25.00 a year it takes from each of you to help keep the VFW in place. We need help from each and every one of you!

We have 4 Veterans Projects scheduled for the month of September. The first one is the observation of the date when the war with Japan ended on 9/2. There will be a potluck dinner and a presentation covering this important date in history. On 9/10 we will observe Patriot's Day with our annual visits to many fire stations in the Arlington/Grand Prairie area. The ladies make up goody bags which are distributed to the fireman at each station. We need lots of visibility for this one. Wear your VFW ball caps and/or shirts. Number 3 will be the annual POW/MIA program at 1400 on 9/17. Captain Robert Young, USNrt will be the guest speaker. We need a good turnout for this event. The last Veterans Project will be the observing of the VFW birthday on 9/25 at 1400. We will use the same format as we do for the service birthdays for this event.

We have several other events scheduled for the month including the Air Force birthday on the 18th. Come out; bring a friend and join us.

Come and join us and bring a friend.

Glenn

Help Keep Your Post Alive!!!



Ladies Auxiliary President: Celeste Stegall

Next Meeting: 06 SEP 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. Remember our biggest fundraisers are Burger Nights and Friday night dinners. On Saturday September 10th we are doing our Patriot Day Program. We will be delivering goodies to the Fire Stations. We will leave the post at 10 am.

Also on September 30th the Ladies will host an event called How Do I look now? We are giving Rick Seefeldt a complete makeover. Raffle tickets are being sold at the bar for a chance to cut his hair and beard. Please try to come out and support these events.

Please turn in coupons for the troops to Amy. Care packages were shipped again. We will start making more at roundtable on September 25th. There is a donation box under the shuffleboard table for care packages. Please continue to save your box tops and Campbell soup labels and give them to Amy. 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 can do to support the auxiliary. All help is greatly appreciated.

Thanks for all you do for our veterans!

Men's Auxiliary President: Stewart Pike

Next Meeting: 15 SEP 2011 7PM

Greetings Brothers

Well here we are into September already. We have yet another busy month ahead of us. Please check your VFW calendar that B.J. has posted in the post news letter. Some of the things that directly involve the Men's Aux are for 1 every Thursday we and the Ladies cook some of the best darn hamburgers you ever tried. You guys really need to come and help. If you do help, you will get to try one for free!!! We need the help.

Friday the 9th, at 6:30 is our night to cook dinner and raise funds for our fraternity. We need help on this also. Gentlemen if we don't get participation with our fund raisers, we will no longer be!!

So please come and spend a couple of hours and enjoy the camaraderie with your fellow members. Remember that on Cowboy games it is Happy Hour!!!

We look forward to seeing everybody on Thursday the 15th, for our meeting to plan our events coming up as well to inform all our members of our endeavors.

Thank you and God Bless!

STEW

**VFW
POST 8561
MEETING
13 SEP 11
1900**

**VFW
POST 8561
LADIES
AUXILIARY
MEETING
06 SEP 11
7PM**

**VFW
POST 8561
MENS
AUXILIARY
MEETING
15 SEP 11
7PM**

SEP EVENTS



KISSING ON VJ Day

V J DAY

VICTORY OVER JAPAN
02 SEP 1945
 POT LUCK DINNER
 1830-2000



BE:ER:30



HAPPY HOUR!
LABOR MONDAY
 Labor Day **05 SEP 11**
DAY ALL DAY

P I Z Z A
I Z Z A

 Come Out And Join Your Friends!
FRIDAY
09 SEP 11
 1830-2000 \$5

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

BRING YOUR DONATIONS TO THE POST FOR SHIPMENT

PATRIOT DAY
CELEBRATED
10
SEPTEMBER
2011



REMEMBER 9-11



DELIVER FOOD
TO THE
FIRE DEPARTMENT



SEP EVENTS



**DALLAS
COWBOYS**

VS.

**NEW YORK
JETS**

SPECIAL!

CANBOTTLE BEER

\$2.00

AWAY GAME!

HAPPY HOUR!

**Come Out And
Join Your Friends!**

SUNDAY

11 SEP 11

1900



**CHICKEN
FRIED
STEAK**

FRIDAY

16 SEP 11

1830-2000 \$8



**BENEFIT
PANCAKE
BREAKFAST**

WOUNDED

**WARRIOR PROJECT
BY THE TARRANT COUNTY
INSURANCE PROFESSIONALS**

**SATURDAY
17 SEP 2011
0900-1100**

VFW POST 8561

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

**POW / MIA
RECOGNITION
CEREMONY**



17 SEPTEMBER 2011 | 2:00 PM

3221 Howell St

Arlington, Texas 76010-1420

817-633-8332

<http://www.vfwpost8561.org>

SEP EVENTS



U S A F Birthday Celebration

VFW 8561
Sunday 18 SEP 11
1300



Please see BJ Lasik, or the Bartender if you wish to make a Donation. Thank You !



**DALLAS
COWBOYS**

SPECIAL!

DOMESTIC

**CANIBOTTLE BEER
WINE AND WELL**



**SAN FRANCISCO
49ERS**

\$2.00
SUNDAY

HAPPY HOUR!

18 SEP 11
1500

**Come Out And
Join Your Friends!**

RAFFLE

The Stinger

Scorpion Works

A great addition for your "Tailgating Partys"

The "Stinger" installs easily into a standard 2" x 2" Receiver Hitch. To provide a luxurious shady spot for Sports, Picnics, Fishing, The Beach or just a place to relax in the shade. Using the umbrella color and style of your choice, adds a custom look to your RV, SUV, Pick-up or whatever you have with a Receiver Hitch. The "Stinger" is a high quality steel umbrella holder with a durable Powder Coat finish. It will accommodate any size umbrella with up to a 1 1/2" Dia pole. The "Stinger" is drilled for adjustment and to stabilize the umbrella against wind



Raffle in support of the
Men's Auxiliary of the VFW
Tickets are \$1.00 ea or 6 for \$5.00
Drawing to be held Sep 18, 2011
During Air Force Birthday Celebration
at the VFW Post 8561
Need not be present to win!
(umbrella not included)

SEP EVENTS

STEAK NIGHT



FRIDAY

23 SEP 11 | 6:30-8:00PM \$8



**DALLAS
COWBOYS**



**WASHINGTON
REDSKINS**

SPECIAL!

**DOMESTIC
CANIBOTTLE BEER
WINE AND WELL**

HAPPY HOUR!

**Come Out And
Join Your Friends!**

**\$2.00
SUNDAY**

26 SEP 11

1900

MEAT

LOAF



FRIDAY

30 SEP 11

1830-2000 \$7

LADIES AUXILIARY MEMBERSHIP AWARDS !!!

LADIES AUXILIARY 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!!!



VFW

Birthday Celebration

VFW POST 8561
Sunday 25 SEP 11
1400



**WE WANT
YOU
TO JOIN US!**



Please see any VFW Officer, or the Bartender if you wish to make a Donation. Thank You!

RAFFLE



**PROCEEDS
GO TO
HOMELESS
VETERANS**



"HOW DO I LOOK?"

WIN A CHANCE
TO CUT
RICKY SEEFELDT'S
HAIR
AND BEARD!

\$1 EA OR 6 FOR \$5

**FRIDAY
30 SEP 11
7 930**

VFW POST 8561

COME SEE THE MAKEOVER

SEP EVENTS

8 - BALL



**POOL TOURNAMENT
EVERY WEDNESDAY - 1900**

*Post Round Table Events Meeting
SUNDAY SEP 25 2011 / NOON Everyone Invited*

**TO DISCUSS
NOV 2011
EVENTS !**



THURSDAYS



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

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SHUFFLE BOARD TOURNAMENT RESULTS

As Of 25 AUG 2011

NAME	DATE	MATCH	PLACE
NO REPORT	18-Aug-11	1	1ST
	18-Aug-11	1	2ND
NO REPORT	25-Aug-11	1	1ST
	25-Aug-11	1	2ND
TOMMY FARRELL AND CLARK RATTAN	11-Aug-11	1	1ST
NO SECOND PLACE - ONLY 4 TEAMS	11-Aug-11	1	2ND
ELNA FRANCE AND MARY WESTMORELAND	4-Aug-11	1	1ST
LARRY BREDESON AND CLARK RATTAN	4-Aug-11	1	2ND

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

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.mhmrct.org>



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B.J. LASIK

Note: Limited Number of Monthly Newsletters and Events Calendar are available for pickup at the post.

A Copy of the Newsletter is Available for Reading at the Post, by the Front Door.

Newsletter Comments can be Emailed to

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



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

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

SEP EVENTS



Commander's Military Appreciation Dinner and Dance
3rd Annual
01 October, 2011
VFW POST 8561
Arlington, Texas
Cocktails 5:00PM-6:00PM
Dinner 6:00PM-8:00PM
Prime Rib or Homemade Chicken Cordon Bleu
Green Beans Almadine, Garlic Mashed Potatoes, Rolls

Shrimp Cocktail, Salad Bar, Dessert Table, Complimentary Champagne

After - 5 Attire or Dress Uniform, \$15-Person/\$25-Couple Ticket Sales only

Music By - Private Party Entertainment



TICKETS AVAILABLE 1 SEP 2011

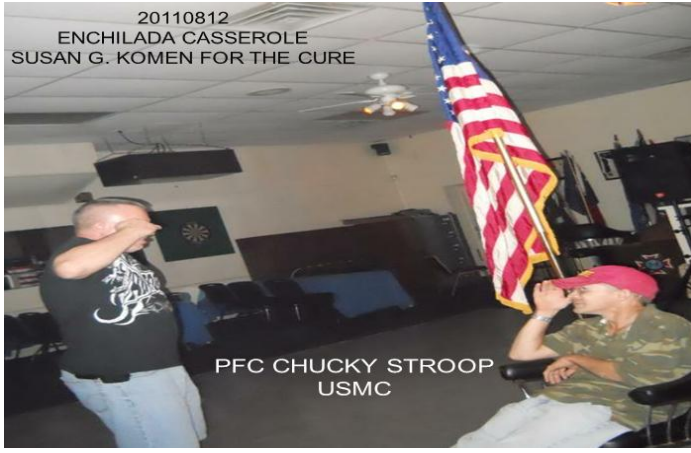
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RARE PHOTO MEXICAN NAVY SEAL



'ALL YOU CAN EAT'
BREAKFAST \$5.00
EVERY 2ND AND LAST SUNDAY
SERVING 9-11:30 AM
"It's Time For Breakfast !"



20110812
ENCHILADA CASSEROLE
SUSAN G. KOMEN FOR THE CURE

PFC CHUCKY STROOP
USMC



20110814
HEALTH FAIR



20110818
KOOKEN SCHOOL SUPPLIES



20110826
FISH FRY

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

September 2011



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1 •NATIONAL CONVENTION SAN ANTONIO •SHUFFLEBOARD - 5:30 PM •HAMBURGER NIGHT	2 •VICTORY OVER JAPAN - 1830-2000 POT LUCK DINNER	3 •AM LG AND AL RIDERS MEETING 1000
4	5 •LABOR DAY HH ALL DAY	6 •LADIES AUX MTG 7PM	7 •8 BALL POOL TOURNEY - 1900	8 •SHUFFLEBOARD - 5:30 PM •HAMBURGER NIGHT •MENS AUXILIARY MEETING AT 7PM	9 •NRD RECRUITERS - 0900 •PIZZA 1830-2000 \$5	10 •PATRIOT DAY - REMEMBERING 9 11 2001 •PP
11 •BREAKFAST 09-1130 \$5.00 •COWBOYS JETS 1900	12	13 •VFW VETS MTG - 1900	14 •8 BALL POOL TOURNEY - 1900	15 •SHUFFLEBOARD - 5:30 PM •HAMBURGER NIGHT	16 •CHICKEN FRIED STEAK - 1830-2000 \$8	17 •PANCAKE BREAKFAST 09-1100 WOUNDED WARRIOR PROJECT •POW RECOGNITION CEREMONY - 2PM
18 •USAF BIRTHDAY -1300 •COWBOYS S.F. 1500 •MAUX STINGER RAFFLE	19	20 •AM LGN. MEETING - 1900	21 •8 BALL POOL TOURNEY - 1900	22 •SHUFFLEBOARD - 5:30 PM •HAMBURGER NIGHT	23 •STEAK NIGHT 1830-2000 \$8	24
25 •BREAKFAST 09-1130 \$5.00 •CALENDAR MEETING NOON TO DISCUSS NOV 2011 EVENTS •VFW BIRTHDAY (CELEBRATED) - 1400	26 •COWBOYS WASHINGTON 1900	27 •AM LGN. AUX MTG - 1900	28 •8 BALL POOL TOURNEY - 1900	29 •SHUFFLEBOARD - 5:30 PM •HAMBURGER NIGHT	30 •MEATLOAF DINNER 1830-2000 \$7 •RAFFLE DRAWING TO CUT RICKY SEEFELT'S HAIR - 1930	

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

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TO:

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 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.

“SERVING THOSE WHO HAVE SERVED” !

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