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DEC 11



GREAT SOUTHWEST MEMORIAL
VFW POST 8561



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VFW POST 8561 UPDATE DEC 2011 V1

A FAMILY FRIENDLY POST

Commander: Glenn Talley
Next Meeting: 13 DEC 11 1900

I hope everyone enjoyed a great Thanksgiving Holiday, ate everything in sight and didn't gain any weight!!! We have had a great turnout for all of the events in November and now it is time for December and Christmas.

We will start right off with a Steak night on Friday, 2 December and entertainment by "Mr Rock and Roll". He puts on a great show especially for veterans. Bring your family/friends and come and join us. If you can, let us know ahead of time in order to have a better idea of how many steaks to buy.

The Post Employee's Christmas Party will be on 12-16-2011 starting at 1700/5:00 P.M. B.J. and I will try our hands at Bartending again. Don't get too complicated with your orders. Remember, we are amateurs at this.

12-18-2011 at 1PM / 1300 is our monthly Calendar meeting. In this one we will discuss Feb 2012 Events. *Please come out and bring any ideas you have!*

We will also be having our **Post Christmas Dinner** on 12-18-2011. Same set up as the Thanksgiving dinner, bring your favorite covered dish and come and enjoy. It will start at 2:00 P. M. / 1400. *I hear that Santa may visit.*

We will have only one Breakfast in December, on the 11th, 9-1130. We will be open on Christmas Day at Noon. If you have not paid your annual dues for 2012, please do so by 12-31-2011.

Lots of Cowboy games this month. Come and cheer/gripe/holler/sulk. That seems to be the way their games go, but, they have been winning!!!

A Special **Thank You** to Pam and Zane Predmore for donating a brand new refrigerator to the canteen! It is Very Appreciated!

I hope everyone has a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Glenn

Help Keep Your Post Alive!!!



Ladies Auxiliary President: Celeste Stegall

Next Meeting: 06 DEC 2011 7PM

Sisters,

I want to wish everyone a very safe and happy holiday. Let's try to remember it is a season of giving. 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. This month our dinner is Lasagna by Victor and the proceeds will help our nursing program. Dec. 18 is post Christmas dinner; bring your favorite dish and family to celebrate Christmas with your post family.

Please come out and see what you can do to support the auxiliary and the post. 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: 08 DEC 2011 7PM

Greeting Brothers Here we are once again into the Holidays!!! Looking back on the year we had a pretty good one. We hosted a couple of successful events, had fun in the 4th of July Parade, among other events that we participated in. I want to thank all of you that helped make all of these happen. I also want to thank all of the members that are showing up for the meetings on every 2nd Thursday.

Our attendance to the meeting is increasing every month. Just remember your input and vote does count when we are making decisions on what direction we need to take. Please support our post with your patriotism. Without your support, we would not be able to survive. Check the calendars events for events coming up. We have a lot planned for this holiday month. If I don't see you, Merry Christmas, May you have safe and happy holidays.

Thank You and God Bless!

STEW

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

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

**VFW
POST 8561
MENS
AUXILIARY
MEETING
08 DEC 11
7PM**

DEC EVENTS

STEAK NIGHT



TO INSURE AVAILABILITY - STEAK BY TICKET ONLY
Tickets Available At The Post

FRIDAY

02 DEC 11 | 6:30-8:00PM \$12

MR ROCK & ROLL!

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DALLAS COWBOYS
vs.
ARIZONA CARDINALS

SPECIAL!

CANIBOTTLE BEER

\$2.00

HAPPY HOUR! SUNDAY

Come Out And
Join Your Friends!
04 DEC 11
1515

ARMY NAVY

FOOTBALL PARTY

VFW 8561 Saturday 10 DEC 11

3221 HOWELL ST. ARLINGTON
817 633 8332

<http://www.vfwpost8561.org>

1300

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



BRAND NEW SHOW!

STEAK NIGHT

FRIDAY 02 DEC 11 | 1930

VFW POST 8561

3221 HOWELL ST.

ARLINGTON, TX

817 633 8332

[HTTP://WWW.VFWPOST8561.ORG](http://www.vfwpost8561.org)

DEC EVENTS

LASAGNA NIGHT



FRIDAY

09 DEC 11 | 1830-2000 \$8

PEARL HARBOR REMEMBRANCE CEREMONY

PLEASE WEAR SOMETHING VFW

**SUNDAY
11 DEC 11
NOON
VFW POST 8561**



DALLAS COWBOYS



NEW YORK GIANTS

HAPPY HOUR!

Come Out And Join Your Friends!

**SPECIAL!
CAN/BOTTLE BEER
\$2.00**

**SUNDAY
11 DEC 11
1920**

**PAM
TONI
NICOLE**

**VFW POST 8561
EMPLOYEES
CHRISTMAS PARTY
16 DEC 11 | 5PM**

**MEXICAN CHICKEN
AND DUMPLIN'S**

**BY RICK AND TONI
CHIPS, SALSA, SALAD, AND DESSERT**



**FRIDAY
16 DEC 11 | 1830-2000 \$6**

DEC EVENTS



**DALLAS
COWBOYS**

SPECIAL!
CANBOTTLE BEER



**TAMPA BAY
BUCS**

\$2.00

HAPPY HOUR!

SATURDAY

17 DEC 11

1920

**Come Out And
Join Your Friends!**

Post Round Table Events Meeting
SUNDAY DEC 18 2011 / 1300 Everyone Invited

TO DISCUSS

FEB 2012

EVENTS!



VFW POST 8561
CHRISTMAS
DINNER

18 DEC 11 2PM

PLEASE BRING A COVERED DISH



**Everyone Please Bring a Gift for
the Kids (\$10 Limit), Wrapped and
Marked by Age and Sex to assist
Santa in handing them out.
Thank You!**

DEC 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
DENTAL FLOSS	PRE-BRUSH PLAX
TUNA	LAUNDRY SOAP



"ALL YOU CAN EAT"

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

"It's Time For Breakfast !"



DALLAS COWBOYS

vs.



PHILADELPHIA EAGLES

SPECIAL!

CANBOTTLE BEER

\$2.00

HAPPY HOUR!

Come Out And Join Your Friends!

SATURDAY

24 DEC 11

1515

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!!!

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CEREMONY



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VETERANS DAY
CEREMONY



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VETERANS DAY
CEREMONY



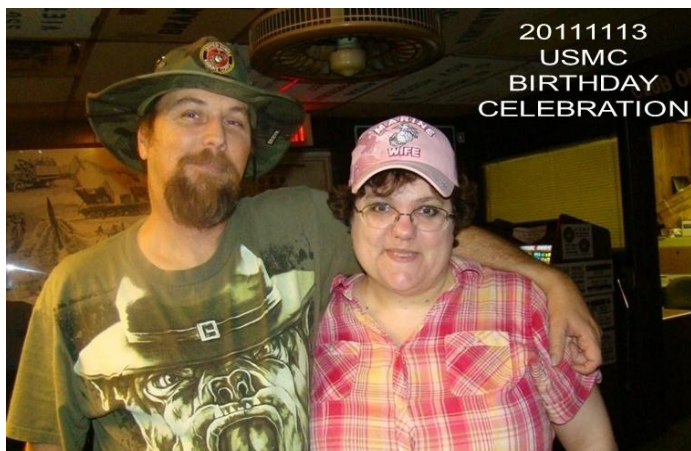
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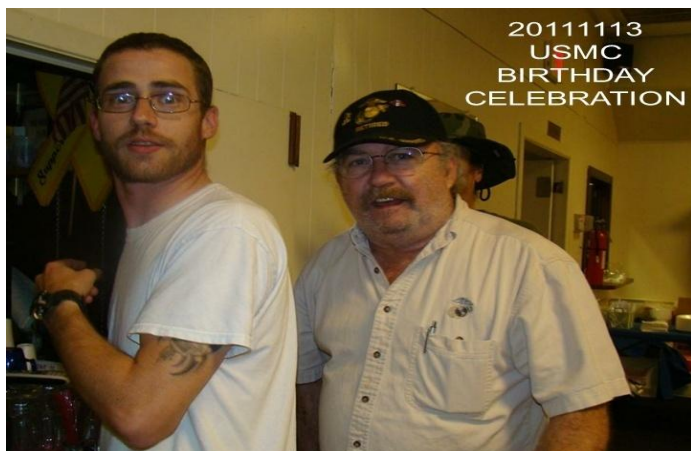
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DEC EVENTS

MERRY CHRISTMAS!



SUNDAY

25 DEC 11

**HAPPY
HOUR**

ALL DAY

OPEN AT NOON!

NO BREAKFAST TODAY

CLEAN UP

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**IF YOU HAVE SOMETHING
IN THE CONEX BOX
THAT BELONGS TO YOU,
PLEASE HAVE THEM REMOVED
BY 01 JAN 2012**

**OTHERWISE
ITEMS MAY BE
SOLD OR DONATED**

THANK YOU !

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USMC
BIRTHDAY
CELEBRATION



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THANKSGIVING
DINNER



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THANKSGIVING
DINNER



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THANKSGIVING
DINNER



DEC EVENTS

8 - BALL



**POOL TOURNAMENT
EVERY WEDNESDAY - 1900**




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

VFW POST 8561

SHUFFLE BOARD TOURNAMENT RESULTS

As Of 24 NOV 2011

NAME	DATE	MATCH	PLACE
	24-Nov-11		
	24-Nov-11		
MARY WESTMORELAND AND BENITA LINDSEY	17-Nov-11	1	1ST
CJ FARRIS AND CHARLEY HINKLE	17-Nov-11	1	2ND
ELNA FRANCE AND MARY WESTMORELAND	10-Nov-11	1	1ST
TOMMY FARRELL AND CLARK RATTAN	10-Nov-11	1	2ND
KIM YOON AND CHERYL BRADLEY	3-Nov-11	1	1ST
CJ FARRIS AND JOHN THATCHER	3-Nov-11	1	2ND

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

MERRY

CHRISTMAS!

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

JAN 2012

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 -COWBOYS V. GIANTS - NOON	2	3 -LADIES AUX MTG 7PM	4 -8 BALL POOL TOURNEY - 1900	5 -SHUFFLEBOARD - 5:30 PM -HAMBURGER NIGHT	6 -HOME SPAGHETTI 1830-200 \$8	7 -AFC-NFC WILDCARDS -AM LG AND AL RIDERS MEETING 1000
8 -AFC-NFC WILDCARDS -BREAKFAST 09-1130 \$5.00	9	10 -VFW VETS MTG - 1900	11 -8 BALL POOL TOURNEY - 1900	12 -SHUFFLEBOARD - 5:30 PM -HAMBURGER NIGHT -MENS AUXILIARY MEETING AT 7PM	13 -NRD RECRUITERS - 0900 -FISH 1830-2000 \$8	14 -DISTRICT 21 LAUX PRESIDENT LUNCHEON - 1100 (9299) -NFL DIVISION ROUND
15 -DISTRICT 21 MEETING - POST 5817 WHITE SETTLEMENT 1 -NFL DIVISION ROUND	16	17 -AM LGN. MEETING - 1900	18 -8 BALL POOL TOURNEY - 1900	19 -SHUFFLEBOARD - 5:30 PM -HAMBURGER NIGHT	20 -BEEF STEW 1830-2000 \$7	21
22 -BRUNCH OR BREAKFAST - TBD -NFL DIVISION CHAMPIONSHIP	23	24 -AM LGN. AUX MTG - 1930	25 -8 BALL POOL TOURNEY - 1900	26 -SHUFFLEBOARD - 5:30 PM -HAMBURGER NIGHT -MID WINTER CONVENTION AUSTIN	27 -MID WINTER CONVENTION AUSTIN	28 -MID WINTER CONVENTION AUSTIN
29 -BREAKFAST 09-1130 \$5.00 -CALENDAR MEETING NOON TO DISCUSS MAR 2012 EVENTS -MID WINTER CONVENTION AUSTIN	30	31				

V F W MEMBERSHIP

Life Membership Fee Schedule

Attained Age on 12/31

Through Age 30

31-40

41-50

51-60

61-70

71-80

81 and over

One Time

Payment

\$425.00

\$410.00

\$375.00

\$335.00

\$290.00

\$225.00

\$170.00

Life 12 Month

Payment Plan

\$38.64

\$37.27

\$34.09

\$30.45

\$26.36

\$20.45

\$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

December 2011



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1 •SHUFFLEBOARD - 5:30 PM •HAMBURGER NIGHT	2 •STEAK NIGHT 1830-2000 •MR ROCK & ROLL	3 •PP •AM LG AND AL RIDERS MEETING 1000
4 •COWBOYS V. AZ 1515	5	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 •LASAGNA NIGHT 1830-2000 -\$8	10 •ARMY NAVY FOOTBALL GAME PARTY 1300 •PP - 1400
11 •BREAKFAST 09-1130 \$5.00 •PEARL HARBOR REMEMBRANCE CEREMONY - NOON •COWBOYS V. GIANTS 1920	12	13 •VFW VETS MTG - 1900	14 •8 BALL POOL TOURNEY - 1900	15 •SHUFFLEBOARD - 5:30 PM •HAMBURGER NIGHT	16 •EMPLOYEE CHRISTMAS PARTY - 1700 •MEX CKN DUMPLINS 1830-2000 \$6	17 •COWBOYS V. BUCS - 1920
18 •CALENDAR MEETING 1300 TO DISCUSS FEB 2011 EVENTS •POST CHRISTMAS DINNER - 1400	19	20 •AM LGN. MEETING - 1900	21 •8 BALL POOL TOURNEY - 1900	22 •SHUFFLEBOARD - 5:30 PM •HAMBURGER NIGHT	23	24 •COWBOYS V. EAGLES 1515
25 •NO BREAKFAST TODAY •OPEN AT NOON	26	27 •AM LGN. AUX MTG - 1930	28 •8 BALL POOL TOURNEY - 1900	29 •SHUFFLEBOARD - 5:30 PM •HAMBURGER NIGHT	30	31

For questions regarding this calendar, contact: [Webmaster: BJ Lasik](#)

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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.

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