



LAND OF THE FREE



BECAUSE OF THE BRAVE

# Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States



# APR 12



## GREAT SOUTHWEST MEMORIAL

## VFW POST 8561



3221 HOWELL STREET ARLINGTON TX 76010 (817) 633-8332

E-MAIL [INFO@VFWPOST8561.ORG](mailto:INFO@VFWPOST8561.ORG)

VFW POST 8561 UPDATE MAR 2012 V1

### A FAMILY FRIENDLY POST

## Commander: Glenn Talley

## Next Meeting: 10 APR 12 1900

Comrades, the time has come for you to decide, as a group and as individuals, if you want this Post to survive and in what form. I spoke once before about how it is the responsibility of the elected and appointed officers to make sure that all of the bills are paid in a timely fashion and it is the responsibility of the members to see that the officers have the funds to do so. That is not happening. If we keep going the way we have in the first 3 months of this year, I can see what's left of us standing around the canteen with our individual ice chests using coleman lanterns for light. We need a lot of help folks.

We have nominations and elections on 4-10-2012 at 1900. Please attend.

Check out the calendar for scheduled events for the month of April.

Membership stands at 430. We need 452 to make goal. There are 60 plus people on the unpaid list for 2012.

There are a lot of new organizations out there that want to take our place. Their biggest problem is they are not chartered by Congress; therefore they cannot sit before Congress and protect our benefits. We are in serious danger of losing all of our benefits.

## Glenn

Help Keep Your Post Alive!!!



# Ladies Auxiliary President: Celeste Stegall

## Next Meeting: 03 APR 2012 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. Please be thinking about the upcoming year.

Nominations and elections will be April 3<sup>rd</sup>. Please be there to voice what officers you would like to represent LAUX 8561.

Remember our biggest fundraisers are Burger Nights and dinners. These dinners support the programs that are require by state and district to keep our auxiliary alive. We NEED your help. Please come out and see what you can to do to support the auxiliary and the post. All help is greatly appreciated.

God Bless America,

**CELESTE**

## Men's Auxiliary President: Stewart Pike

### Next Meeting: 12 APR 2012 7PM

Greetings Brothers,

I would like to remind everybody that this month is elections. If you want to make a difference in our organization now is the time. Your vote will and does count, we will look for all of you on April 12,2012, at 7:00. Of course there will be burgers and fries on that night, as there is every Thursday.

Remember your participation is vital for our post to stay alive!! You do make a difference. Thank you for your help and dedication.

Thank You and God Bless!

**STEW**

**VFW  
POST 8561  
MEETING  
10 APR 12  
1900**

**VFW  
POST 8561  
LADIES  
AUXILIARY  
MEETING  
03 APR 12  
7PM**

**VFW  
POST 8561  
MENS  
AUXILIARY  
MEETING  
12 APR 12  
7PM**



# VFW POST 8561 POST OFFICERS



## 2011-2012

<b>COMMANDER</b>	<b>GLENN TALLEY</b>	<a href="mailto:CC@vfwpost8561.org">CC@vfwpost8561.org</a>
<b>SR. VICE COMMANDER</b>	<b>BJ LASIK</b>	<a href="mailto:SRV@VFWPOST8561.ORG">SRV@VFWPOST8561.ORG</a>
<b>JR. VICE COMMANDER</b>	<b>LOWELL YODER</b>	<a href="mailto:JRV@VFWPOST8561.ORG">JRV@VFWPOST8561.ORG</a>
<b>QUARTER MASTER</b>	<b>MIKE HINKLE</b>	<a href="mailto:QM@VFWPOST8561.ORG">QM@VFWPOST8561.ORG</a>
<b>JUDGE ADVOCATE</b>	<b>TIM GIDDENS</b>	<a href="mailto:JAV@VFWPOST8561.ORG">JAV@VFWPOST8561.ORG</a>
<b>CHAPLAIN</b>	<b>RAY SHUGART</b>	<a href="mailto:CHAPLAIN@VFWPOST8561.ORG">CHAPLAIN@VFWPOST8561.ORG</a>
<b>SURGEON</b>	<b>TOMMY FARRELL</b>	<a href="mailto:TOMMYF@VFWPOST8561.ORG">TOMMYF@VFWPOST8561.ORG</a>
<b>TRUSTEE 1</b>	<b>CHARLES HINKLE</b>	<a href="mailto:CHARLESH@VFWPOST8561.ORG">CHARLESH@VFWPOST8561.ORG</a>
<b>TRUSTEE 2</b>	<b>RICHARD DOBSON</b>	<a href="mailto:RICHARDD@VFWPOST8561.ORG">RICHARDD@VFWPOST8561.ORG</a>
<b>TRUSTEE 3</b>	<b>ZANE PREDMORE</b>	<a href="mailto:ZANEP@VFWPOST8561.ORG">ZANEP@VFWPOST8561.ORG</a>
<b>ADJUTANT</b>	<b>LOWELL YODER</b>	<a href="mailto:LOWELL@VFWPOST8561.ORG">LOWELL@VFWPOST8561.ORG</a>
<b>SERVICE OFFICER</b>	<b>RAY HUNZIKER</b>	817 633 8332
<b>OFFICER OF THE DAY</b>	<b>MELVIN WILLMS</b>	<a href="mailto:MELVINW@VFWPOST8561.ORG">MELVINW@VFWPOST8561.ORG</a>
<b>GUARD</b>	<b>TOMMY FARRELL</b>	<a href="mailto:TOMMYF@VFWPOST8561.ORG">TOMMYF@VFWPOST8561.ORG</a>
<b>POST WEBMASTER</b>	<b>BJ LASIK</b>	<a href="mailto:BJ@VFWPOST8561.ORG">BJ@VFWPOST8561.ORG</a>



# VFW POST 8561 LADIES AUXILIARY OFFICERS



## 2011-2012

<b>PRESIDENT</b>	<b>CELESTE STEGALL</b>	<a href="mailto:CELESTES@VFWPOST8561.ORG">CELESTES@VFWPOST8561.ORG</a>
<b>SR. VICE PRESIDENT</b>	<b>AMY GIDDENS</b>	<a href="mailto:AMYG@vfwpost8561.org">AMYG@vfwpost8561.org</a>
<b>JR. VICE PRESIDENT</b>	<b>ALICE TURCOTTE</b>	<a href="mailto:ALICET@VFWPOST8561.ORG">ALICET@VFWPOST8561.ORG</a>
<b>TREASURER</b>	<b>RITA SIMPSON</b>	<a href="mailto:RITAS@VFWPOST8561.ORG">RITAS@VFWPOST8561.ORG</a>
<b>SECRETARY</b>	<b>JO WALDROP</b>	<a href="mailto:JOW@VFWPOST8561.ORG">JOW@VFWPOST8561.ORG</a>
<b>CHAPLAIN</b>	<b>ERIKA THOMAS</b>	<a href="mailto:ERIKAT@VFWPOST8561.ORG">ERIKAT@VFWPOST8561.ORG</a>
<b>CONDUCTRESS</b>	<b>MARY WESTMORELAND</b>	<a href="mailto:MARYW@VFWPOST8561.ORG">MARYW@VFWPOST8561.ORG</a>
<b>GUARD</b>	<b>KACEE FRASER</b>	<a href="mailto:KACEEF@VFWPOST8561.ORG">KACEEF@VFWPOST8561.ORG</a>
<b>TRUSTEE 1</b>	<b>VICKI WERLA</b>	<a href="mailto:VICKIW@VFWPOST8561.ORG">VICKIW@VFWPOST8561.ORG</a>
<b>TRUSTEE 2</b>	<b>JANE EAST</b>	<a href="mailto:JANEE@VFWPOST8561.ORG">JANEE@VFWPOST8561.ORG</a>
<b>TRUSTEE 3</b>	<b>PAM SHELBY</b>	<a href="mailto:PAMS@VFWPOST8561.ORG">PAMS@VFWPOST8561.ORG</a>
<b>PATRIOTIC INSTRUCTOR</b>	<b>JANE EAST</b>	<a href="mailto:JANEE@VFWPOST8561.ORG">JANEE@VFWPOST8561.ORG</a>



# VFW POST 8561 MENS AUXILIARY OFFICERS



## 2011-2012

<b>PRESIDENT</b>	<b>STEWART PIKE</b>	<a href="mailto:STEWARTP@VFWPOST8561.ORG">STEWARTP@VFWPOST8561.ORG</a>
<b>SR. VICE PRESIDENT</b>	<b>GLENN BRYSON</b>	<a href="mailto:GLENNB@VFWPOST8561.ORG">GLENNB@VFWPOST8561.ORG</a>
<b>JR. VICE PRESIDENT</b>	<b>JIM SIMPSON</b>	<a href="mailto:JIMS@VFWPOST8561.ORG">JIMS@VFWPOST8561.ORG</a>
<b>TREASURER</b>	<b>BILL BONEFAS</b>	<a href="mailto:BILLB@VFWPOST8561.ORG">BILLB@VFWPOST8561.ORG</a>
<b>SECRETARY</b>	<b>ERIC ALBERTS</b>	<a href="mailto:ERICA@VFWPOST8561.ORG">ERICA@VFWPOST8561.ORG</a>
<b>CHAPLAIN</b>	<b>JACOB SELLERS</b>	<a href="mailto:JACOBS@VFWPOST8561.ORG">JACOBS@VFWPOST8561.ORG</a>
<b>GUARD</b>	<b>JIMMY ADAMS</b>	817 633 8332
<b>TRUSTEE 1</b>	<b>MIKE PATTON</b>	<a href="mailto:MIKEP@VFWPOST8561.ORG">MIKEP@VFWPOST8561.ORG</a>
<b>TRUSTEE 2</b>	<b>CASIMIRO CARMONA</b>	817 633 8332
<b>TRUSTEE 3</b>	<b>GEORGE PARADISE</b>	<a href="mailto:GEORGE@VFWPOST8561.ORG">GEORGE@VFWPOST8561.ORG</a>

# MEMBERSHIP

# VFW

# LAUX

## VFW LIFE MEMBERSHIP FEES

ATTAINED AT AGE AT 31 DEC OF THE YEAR APPLYING  
FOR LIFE MEMBERSHIP

YEARS	FEE	\$/MONTH
THROUGH 30	\$425	\$38.64
31-40	\$410	\$37.27
41-50	\$375	\$34.09
51-60	\$335	\$30.45
61-70	\$290	\$26.36
71-80	\$225	\$20.45
80+	\$170	\$15.45

ANNUAL DUES IS \$25

## LIFE MEMBERSHIP FEES

ATTAINED AT AGE AT 31 DEC OF THE YEAR APPLYING  
FOR LIFE MEMBERSHIP

YEARS	FEE	\$/MONTH
THROUGH 20	\$220	\$19.86
21-25	\$210	\$18.96
26-30	\$200	\$18.06
31-35	\$190	\$17.15
36-40	\$185	\$16.70
41-45	\$175	\$15.80
46-50	\$170	\$15.35
51-55	\$160	\$14.44
56-60	\$150	\$13.54
61-65	\$140	\$12.64
66-70	\$130	\$11.74
71-75	\$115	\$10.38
76-80	\$95	\$8.58
81-85	\$75	\$6.77
86-90	\$60	\$5.42
91+	\$50	\$4.51

Effective 1 January 2012, LAUX annual dues increases to \$25

## LIFE MEMBERSHIPS SAVE MONEY!

# MAUX

# \$27YR

# APR EVENTS

## **ATTENTION ELECTIONS VFW POST AND AUX OFFICERS 2012-2013 AT YOUR MONTHLY MEETING IN APRIL**



**FRIDAY  
06 APR 12  
FAJITA  
DINNER  
1830-2000 \$8**

**VFW POST 8567  
3221 HOWELL ST.  
ARLINGTON, TX  
[HTTP://WWW.VFWPOST8561.ORG](http://www.vfwpost8561.org)**



## **MEAT LOAF**



**FRIDAY  
13 APR 12  
1830-2000 \$6**

3221 HOWELL ST. ARLINGTON TEXAS 76010-1420  
[HTTP://WWW.VFWPOST8561.ORG](http://www.vfwpost8561.org) 817 633 8332



**'ALL YOU CAN EAT'**

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

"It's Time For Breakfast !"

**COME JOIN US  
8 APRIL 2012  
EASTER SUNDAY !**



**BE:ER:30**



**PACK THE POST DAY !  
HAPPY HOUR !  
SUNDAY**

**15 APR 2012 1300 - 1800  
\$2.25 DOMESTIC BEER! WINE! WELL, \$1.50 DRAFT**

# APR EVENTS

## **SOUP SALAD AND DESSERT**



**FRIDAY**  
20 APR 12 | 1830-2000 \$6

**VFW POST 8561**  
817 633 8332

## **L A U X BREAKFAST**

3221 HOWELL ST. ARL.  
SUNDAY - 22 APR 12 | 0900 -1130 \$5  
<http://www.vfwpost8561.org>

## **THURSDAY BURGER NIGHT** **EXPANDED MENU**

ORDER EARLY OR CALL THE POST TO RESERVE YOURS!



**\$5**  
**GRILLED CHICKEN SANDWICH**

**REGULAR HAMBURGER | CHEESEBURGER**  
**WITH ALL THE FIXIN'S**  
**1800 - SOLD OUT**



**BREAKFAST MENU**  
22 APRIL 2012



- Scrambled Eggs
- Eggs Benedict
- Sausage, Bacon
- Pancakes
- Hash Brown Potatoes
- Biscuits & Gravy
- Mini-Cinnamon Rolls
- Seasonal Fruit
- Tomatoes
- Milk, Coffee, Assorted Juices



# **FISH FRY!**



**28 APR 2012**  
**1830 - 2000 \$8**

PLEASE PRE-PAY RSVP TO ENSURE ENOUGH FOOD IS PROVIDED  
CALL THE POST OR EMAIL [RSVP@VFWPOST8561.ORG](mailto:RSVP@VFWPOST8561.ORG)

**WE WILL BE HAVING ENTERTAINMENT**

3221 HOWELL ST. ARLINGTON TEXAS 76010-1420

[HTTP://WWW.VFWPOST8561.ORG](http://www.vfwpost8561.org) 817 633 8332

# APR EVENTS

## 8 - BALL



**POOL TOURNAMENT  
EVERY WEDNESDAY - 1900**

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.mhmrhc.org>



**THURSDAYS**

**\$5 BURGER NIGHT** **SHUFFLEBOARD**  
1900 - SOLD OUT **5:30 PM**

VFW POST 8561

### SHUFFLE BOARD TOURNAMENT RESULTS

As Of 22 MAR 2012

NAME	DATE	MATCH	PLACE
BENITA LINDSEY AND ED ADAMS	22-Mar-12	1	1ST
JIMMY ADAMS AND CLARK RATTAN	22-Mar-12	1	2ND
JOHN THATCHER AND TOMMY FARRELL	15-Mar-12	1	1ST
ALICE TURCOTTE AND CELESTE STEGALL	15-Mar-12	1	2ND
KIM VACCA AND TOMMY FARRELL	8-Mar-12	1	1ST
MARY WESTMORELAND AND CLARK RATTAN	8-Mar-12	1	2ND
MIKE HINKLE AND JOHN THATCHER	1-Mar-03	1	1ST
ED FARRIS AND DAVE BRIDGENS	1-Mar-03	1	2ND

**FIND US ON: facebook**

## TROOPS AND VETS CARE PACKAGES

ITEMS REQUESTED BY TROOPS AND VETS

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!"

Post Round Table Events Meeting  
SUNDAY APR 29 2012 / NOON All Members Invited

**TO DISCUSS  
JUN 2012  
EVENTS!**

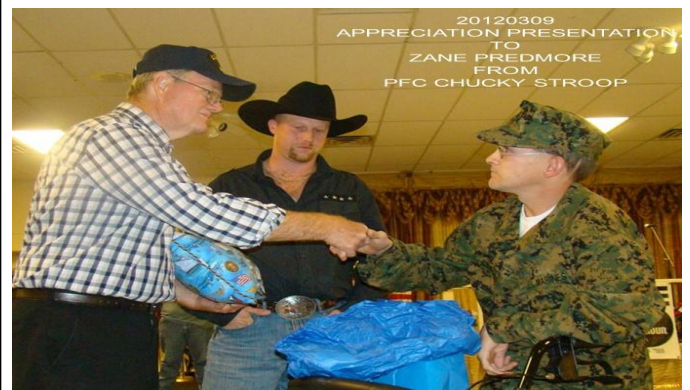


# MAY 2012

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1 -LADIES AUX MTG 7PM	2 -8 BALL POOL TOURNEY - 1900	3 -SHUFFLEBOARD - 5:30 PM -HAMBURGER NIGHT	4	5 -AM LG AND AL RIDERS MEETING 1000
6 -LOYALTY DAY 1300 -PACK THE POST - 1400	7	8 -PATIENTS DAY OUT 9:30AM - 2PM -VFW VETS MTG - 1800	9 -8 BALL POOL TOURNEY - 1900	10 -SHUFFLEBOARD - 5:30 PM -HAMBURGER NIGHT -MENS AUXILIARY MEETING AT 7PM	11 -NRD RECRUITERS - 0900	12 -PP
13 -BREAKFAST 09-1130 \$5.00 -OFFICER INSTALLATION 1400 -PHILLY CHZ STEAK	14	15 -AM LGN. MEETING - 1900	16 -8 BALL POOL TOURNEY - 1900	17 -SHUFFLEBOARD - 5:30 PM -HAMBURGER NIGHT -4TH JULY PARADE MTG IN ARL - 1900	18	19
20 -PP CRAWFISH BOIL -DISTRICT 21 MEETING 1000 GRANDBURY	21	22 -AM LGN. AUX MTG - 1930	23 -8 BALL POOL TOURNEY - 1900	24 -SHUFFLEBOARD - 5:30 PM -HAMBURGER NIGHT	25	26 -21 DISTRICT REST STOP ALL WEEKEND -STEAK DINNER 1830 \$12 RSVP -MELISSA LOCKS OF LOVE - 2000 -TWO FOR THE ROAD! 2000
27 -21 DISTRICT REST STOP ALL WEEKEND -BREAKFAST 09-1130 \$5.00 -CALENDAR MEETING NOON TO DISCUSS MAY 2012 EVENTS	28 -21 DISTRICT REST STOP ALL WEEKEND -ELKS CEREMONY AT NOON -POST OPEN AT 1330	29	30 -8 BALL POOL TOURNEY - 1900	31 -SHUFFLEBOARD - 5:30 PM -HAMBURGER NIGHT		



20120309  
LOCKS OF LOVE  
Almost  
Finished . .



20120309  
APPRECIATION PRESENTATION  
TO  
ZANE PREDMORE  
FROM  
PFC CHUCKY STROOP



20120309  
AND THE ARTIST AWARD GOES TO . . .



20120309  
APPRECIATION PRESENTATION  
TO  
ZANE PREDMORE  
FROM  
PFC CHUCKY STROOP





VFW POST 8561 / CALENDAR

April 2012



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b> •LADIES AUX MTG 7PM •ELECTION NIGHT	<b>4</b> •8 BALL POOL TOURNEY - 1900	<b>5</b> •SHUFFLEBOARD - 5:30 PM •HAMBURGER NIGHT	<b>6</b> •CHKN FAJITAS 1830-2000 \$8	<b>7</b> •AM LG AND AL RIDERS MEETING 1000
<b>8</b> •EASTER •BREAKFAST 09-1130 \$5.00	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b> •VFW VETS MTG - 1900 •ELECTION NIGHT	<b>11</b> •8 BALL POOL TOURNEY - 1900	<b>12</b> •SHUFFLEBOARD - 5:30 PM •HAMBURGER NIGHT •MENS AUXILIARY MEETING AT 7PM •ELECTION NIGHT	<b>13</b> •NRD RECRUITERS - 0900 •MEATLOAF 1830-2000 \$6	<b>14</b> •PP - SUBVETS
<b>15</b> •PACK THE POST HAPPY HOUR 1300-1800	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b> •AM LGN. MEETING - 1900 •ELECTION NIGHT	<b>18</b> •8 BALL POOL TOURNEY - 1900	<b>19</b> •SHUFFLEBOARD - 5:30 PM •HAMBURGER NIGHT •4TH JULY PARADE MTG IN ARL. - 1900	<b>20</b> •SOUP AND SALAD 1830-2000 \$6	<b>21</b>
<b>22</b> •VFW LAUX BREAKFAST 09-1130 \$5.00	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b> •AM LGN. AUX MTG - 1930 •ELECTION NIGHT	<b>25</b> •8 BALL POOL TOURNEY - 1900	<b>26</b> •SHUFFLEBOARD - 5:30 PM •HAMBURGER NIGHT	<b>27</b> •T B A	<b>28</b> •FISH FRY 1830-???? PLZ RSVP \$8
<b>29</b> •BREAKFAST 09-1130 \$5.00 •CALENDAR MEETING NOON TO DISCUSS MAY 2012 EVENTS	<b>30</b>					

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

Licensed To: VFW POST 8561



[NEWS@vfwpost8561.org](mailto:NEWS@vfwpost8561.org) or call the Post at 817 633 8332

Newletter Comments can be Emailed to

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

are available for pickup at the post.

Note: Limited Number of Monthly Newsletters and Events Calendar

B.J. LASIK

MONTHLY NEWSLETTERS ARE PUBLISHED BY:

**IN GOD WE TRUST**

**817 - 633 - 8332**

**Arlington, TX 76010**

**3221 Howell Street**

**Post 8561**

**Great Southwest Memorial**

**VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS**

**VFW 8561**

**TO:**



## 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 2<sup>ND</sup> 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” !**

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