



LAND OF THE FREE



BECAUSE OF THE BRAVE

Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States



MAR 14



Happy St. Patrick's Day

GREAT SOUTHWEST MEMORIAL

VFW POST 8561



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

E-MAIL INFO@VFWPOST8561.ORG

VFW POST 8561 UPDATE MAR 2014 V1

A FAMILY FRIENDLY POST

Commander: Glenn Talley Next Meeting: 11 MAR 14 1900

Greetings!,

March is upon us and we start the last four months of the 2013-2014 VFW year and prepping for the 2014-2015 year. Starting with the March business meeting, we will nominate members to fill the elected officer positions for 2014-2015.

At the National VFW meeting in July 2013, The bylaws were changed as to which officers are elected and which officers are appointed. Therefore, in March, we will start accepting nominations for the positions of Commander, Senior-Vice Commander, Junior Vice Commander, Quartermaster, Chaplain, and three trustees. At The April regular business meeting, we will continue nominations, immediately followed by elections.

Appointed officers in the position of Adjutant, Judge Advocate, Surgeon, Officer of the Day, Service Officer, and Guard are chosen at this time. No member may hold more than one elected office but may hold one elected office and one or more appointed offices.

These positions must be filled and all officers installed before the State Convention. If this does not happen, the Post Charter will be revoked.

ALL of you, as members in good standing, hold the responsibility of filling these positions and supporting these members chosen. If you are not willing to accept those responsibilities, than we will be in the position by the June business meeting of voting on surrendering the Post Charter.

I hope all of you think long and hard before you take the Post down that path.

Glenn

Come and join us! Bring Your Friends!

Help Keep Your Post Alive!!!



Ladies Auxiliary President: Pam Shelby

Next Meeting: 04 MAR 2014 7PM

Sisters,

I hope everyone is doing well. Remember to get your program reports in as we are quickly approaching the end of the 2013-2014 year. Remember to check the website and facebook page for upcoming events.

We will have nominations and elections at our April meeting so continue your campaigning as I know there are some plans in the works. I know there are many of you out there who can fill these positions and have the knowledge of the programs we must continue to support our Veterans and to maintain our charter.

In closing I would like to quote a saying given to me by one of our members with an addition from me:

"If you didn't HEAR it with your own ears, or SEE it with your own eyes....don't invent it with your own mind & SHARE it...."

My addition to that comes from several events that have happened to me and would like you to take into consideration. When you do hear something about someone, don't just assume it is true. Ask the person you are hearing this about their side, it might just enlighten you. Sometimes it may have been said or done for good reason, or maybe they never even said or did what you were told. All we can ask anyone is to do the best they can and we are all human.

PAM

*Remember Your Support - Supports Our Veterans!
Stand Behind Those Who Stood Up Front For Us!
Thank you for all you do for our Veterans!*



**VFW
POST 8561
MEETING
11 MAR 14
1900**

**VFW
POST 8561
LADIES
AUXILIARY
MEETING
04 MAR 14
7PM**

**VFW
POST 8561
MENS
AUXILIARY
MEETING
25 MAR 14
7PM**

Sr. Vice Commander - B.J. LASIK

I would like to thank everyone who stepped up and moved the post forward in February! We had several events in that month that would not have happened without a lot of effort.

I am reluctant to mention names as I'm sure someone will be left out, but I have to mention:

Pam Shelby
Rick and Toni Norman
Jim and Rita Simpson
Ed and C.J. Farris
Gary Davis
Jim Marshall
Ron and Lynn Townsend
Alexis Huelsman
Tim and Amy Giddens
Frank Rioas
Jane East
Erika Thomas

I apologize as I'm sure I'm leaving someone out . .

But it would be remiss if I did not say, without these dedicated individuals, the Post would not exist.

All your efforts are greatly appreciated!

THANK YOU!

B.J.

FROM THE WEBMASTER . . .

***IF YOUR NOT GETTING THE READFILE EMAILS FOR UPDATES
TO EVENTS AT **YOUR** POST, AND YOU WANT THEM . .***

***SEND ME AN EMAIL (BJ@VFWPOST8561.ORG) SO THAT I HAVE YOUR ADDRESS . .
AND I'LL GET YOU ON THE EMAIL LIST . .***

B.J.

Men's Auxiliary President: Stewart Pike

Next Meeting: 25 MAR 2014 7PM

Greeting Brothers

Elections are coming up in April...

We need all of you to come to our meeting at the 4th Tuesday to vote on our next year's officers.

I will not run for the President position again...
We need new ideas and leadership...

So step up and make a difference at our post!
Only you can make it happen as I have done for the past 3 years...

Thank You for all the support that you all have given!
I will do whatever I can to support.

God Bless

STEW

JUNIOR GIRLS

**THE LADIES AUXILIARY TO
VFW POST 8561
ARLINGTON TEXAS,
HAS FORMED A
JUNIOR GIRLS UNIT**



Junior Girls are ages 5 through 16, and are
Daughters, foster daughters,
stepdaughters. Granddaughters,
Sisters, foster sisters,
Stepsisters, half sisters,
...of someone who is eligible for the VFW.

**MEETINGS WILL BE HELD
ON THE FOURTH SUNDAY AT 6PM**

**Please contact Jan Seaton 817 645 2436, Pam Shelby 817 633 8332,
or Alexis Huelsman 214 729 9737 for more information.
jrgirls@vfwpost8561.org**



VFW POST 8561 POST OFFICERS



2013-2014

COMMANDER	GLENN TALLEY	CC@vfwpost8561.org
SR. VICE COMMANDER	BJ LASIK	SRV@VFWPOST8561.ORG
JR. VICE COMMANDER	LOWELL YODER	JRV@VFWPOST8561.ORG
QUARTER MASTER	DON PORTER	QM@VFWPOST8561.ORG
JUDGE ADVOCATE	TIM GIDDENS	JAV@VFWPOST8561.ORG
CHAPLAIN	RAY SHUGART	CHAPLAIN@VFWPOST8561.ORG
SURGEON	VACANT	8176338332
TRUSTEE 1	ZANE PREDMORE	ZANEP@VFWPOST8561.ORG
TRUSTEE 2	JIM MARSHALL	MARSHALLS@VFWPOST8561.ORG
TRUSTEE 3	CALVIN THOMAS	CALVINT@VFWPOST8561.ORG
ADJUTANT	LOWELL YODER	LOWELL@VFWPOST8561.ORG
SERVICE OFFICER	RAY SHUGART	CHAPLAIN@VFWPOST8561.ORG
OFFICER OF THE DAY	MELVIN WILLMS	MELVINW@VFWPOST8561.ORG
GUARD	VACANT	8176338332
POST WEBMASTER	BJ LASIK	BJ@VFWPOST8561.ORG



VFW POST 8561 LADIES AUXILIARY OFFICERS



2013-2014

PRESIDENT	PAM SHELBY	PAMS@VFWPOST8561.ORG
SR. VICE PRESIDENT	AMY GIDDENS	AMYG@VFWPOST8561.ORG
JR. VICE PRESIDENT	LYNN TOWNSEND	LYNNT@VFWPOST8561.ORG
TREASURER	RITA SIMPSON	RITAS@VFWPOST8561.ORG
SECRETARY	JO WALDROP	JOW@VFWPOST8561.ORG
CHAPLAIN	ERIKA THOMAS	ERIKAT@VFWPOST8561.ORG
CONDUCTRESS	PEGGY MCGOWEN	PEGGYM@VFWPOST8561.ORG
GUARD	CARMEN VILLANUEVA	CARMENV@VFWPOST8561.ORG
TRUSTEE 1	TONI NORMAN	TONIN@VFWPOST8561.ORG
TRUSTEE 2	LYNN TOWNSEND	LYNNT@VFWPOST8561.ORG
TRUSTEE 3	ERIKA THOMAS	ERIKAT@VFWPOST8561.ORG
PATRIOTIC INSTRUCTOR	TONI NORMAN	TONIN@VFWPOST8561.ORG
HISTORIAN	CARMEN VILLANUEVA	CARMENV@VFWPOST8561.ORG



VFW POST 8561 MENS AUXILIARY OFFICERS



2013-2014

PRESIDENT	STEWART PIKE	STEWARTP@VFWPOST8561.ORG
SR. VICE PRESIDENT	JIM SIMPSON	JIMS@VFWPOST8561.ORG
JR. VICE PRESIDENT	PATRICK SINCLAIR	PATRICKS@VFWPOST8561.ORG
TREASURER	BILL BONEFAS	BILLB@VFWPOST8561.ORG
SECRETARY	ERIC ALBERTS	ERICA@VFWPOST8561.ORG
CHAPLAIN	TOM ADAIR	TOMA@VFWPOST8561.ORG
GUARD	JIMMY ADAMS	817 633 8332
TRUSTEE 1	GEORGE PARADISE	GEORGE@VFWPOST8561.ORG
TRUSTEE 2	MIKE PATTON	MIKEP@VFWPOST8561.ORG
TRUSTEE 3	GARY DAVIS	GARYD@VFWPOST8561.ORG

MEMBERSHIP

V F W

LAUX

VFW LIFETIME MEMBERSHIP FEES

AGE ATTAINED 31 DECEMBER OF THE YEAR APPLYING

YEARS	FEES	\$/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: \$35

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

JRGIRLS

\$15YR

RAFFLE



IN SUPPORT
OF
"LOCKS OF LOVE"
AND
CANCER AID
AND RESEARCH



DINNER AT 6PM
BRING A DISH
TO SHARE
\$5 PER PERSON

WIN A CHANCE TO CUT
MARY THAYER'S HAIR
\$1 EA OR 6 FOR \$5 **SATURDAY**
01 MAR 14
\$10 FOR A STRETCH **7 PM**

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

DON'T FORGET



SPRING
AHEAD

SET YOUR CLOCKS
1 HOUR AHEAD
09 MAR 14 | 0200



KOSOVO

CAMPAIGN

MAR 1999 - PRESENT



REMEMBRANCE
TUESDAY
11 MAR 2014



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

ATTENTION

NOMINATIONS

VFW POST

OFFICERS

2014-2015

TUESDAY
11 MAR 14
1900



U.N. OPERATION

IN SOMALIA

UNOSOM

APR 1992 - MAR 1995



REMEMBRANCE
TUESDAY
11 MAR 2014

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

ST. PATRICKS DAY
HAPPY HOUR!
\$2.50 DOMESTIC BEER/ WINE/ WELL, \$1.75 DRAFT

Luck of the Irish!

Everyone is Irish
on St. Patty's Day!

Luck of the Irish MONDAY Luck of the Irish
17 MAR 14



**20140205
VFW POST 8561
POOL TOURNAMENT**



**20140208
STARS
VALENTINES
PARTY**



**20140216
MAUX
VALENTINES
DINNER**



**20140216
MAUX
VALENTINES
DINNER**




**20140216
MAUX
VALENTINES
DINNER**

**WE WANT
YOU
TO JOIN US!**

**ASK ME HOW TO
JOIN THE VFW
OR AUXILIARY**

INFO@VFWPOST8561.ORG

APR 2014

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1 •LADIES AUX MTG 7PM •ELECTION NIGHT	2 •8 BALL POOL TOURNEY -1900	3 •SHUFFLEBOARD - 5:30 PM •HAMBURGER NIGHT	4	5
6 •GAME NIGHT 1700	7	8 •VFW/VETS MTG - 1900 •ELECTION NIGHT	9 •8 BALL POOL TOURNEY -1900	10 •SHUFFLEBOARD - 5:30 PM •HAMBURGER NIGHT	11	
13 •BREAKFAST 09-1130 \$5.00	14	15	16 •8 BALL POOL TOURNEY -1900	17 •SHUFFLEBOARD - 5:30 PM •HAMBURGER NIGHT	18	
20	21	22 •MENS AUXILIARY MEETING AT 7PM •ELECTION NIGHT	23 •8 BALL POOL TOURNEY -1900	24 •SHUFFLEBOARD - 5:30 PM •HAMBURGER NIGHT	25	
27 •BREAKFAST 09-1130 \$5.00 •CALENDAR MEETING NOON TO DISCUSS MAY 2014 EVENTS •JR GIRLS MEETING 8PM	28	29	30 •8 BALL POOL TOURNEY -1900			

TRASH BAGS BY THE DELIVERY DOOR OF THE POST. DUE TO SAFETY CONSIDERATIONS, BARTENDERS PLACE FULL TRASHBAGS JUST OUTSIDE THIS DOOR. IF YOU HAPPEN TO SEE THE BAGS THERE IN THE DAYLIGHT, PLEASE HELP US OUT BY TAKING THEM TO THE DUMPSTER. I'M ONE OF THE 3 OR 4 PEOPLE THAT DO THIS AND IT WILL NOT HURT IF OTHERS TAKE A TURN AS WELL. I'M 57 YEARS OLD AND HAVE A BAD BACK, AND THERE ARE OTHERS YOUNGER THAT NEED TO HELP US OUT.

PLEASE HELP US KEEP YOUR POST LOOKING GOOD!

B.J.

Post Round Table Events Meeting
SUNDAY MAR 30 2014/ NOON All Members Invited

TO DISCUSS
MAY 2014
EVENTS!



VFW POST 8561 FUNDRAISER



FOR SALE IN THE CANTEN



VFW POST 8561



WE ARE THE
CLOSEST
VFW POST



TO THE ARLINGTON ENTERTAINMENT DISTRICT!
3221 HOWELL ST. | 817 633 8332
HTTP://WWW.VFWPOST8561.ORG



VFW POST 8561

POOL TOURNAMENT RESULTS

As Of 26 FEB 2014

NAME	DATE	MATCH	PLACE
JAMES MARTINEZ AND JOSE MARTINEZ	26-Feb-14	1	1ST
PAM SHELBY AND GARY DAVIS	26-Feb-14	1	2ND
HERMAN GONZALES AND JAMES MARTINEZ	26-Feb-14	2	1ST
GARY DAVIS AND JOSE MARTINEZ	26-Feb-14	2	2ND
BRIAN HIGHTOWER AND RICK NORMAN	19-Feb-14	1	1ST
TONY ALEJOS AND GARY DAVIS	19-Feb-14	1	2ND
GARY DAVIS	19-Feb-14	2	1ST
JAMES MARTINEZ	19-Feb-14	2	2ND
JAMES MARTINEZ AND MARK THOMPSON	12-Feb-14	1	1ST
BEN DAWSON AND BRENT HITCHCOCK	12-Feb-14	1	2ND
BRIAN HIGHTOWER AND PHILLIPS MCFARLAND	12-Feb-14	2	1ST
GARY DAVIS AND MEL WILMS	12-Feb-14	2	2ND
JANET HIGHTOWER AND TONY ALEJOS	5-Feb-14	1	1ST
PHILLIP FROHMAN AND HERMAN GONZALES	5-Feb-14	1	2ND
GARY DAVIS AND ANDREW SPRAGUE	5-Feb-14	2	1ST
TONY ALEJOE AND BRENT HITCHCOCK	5-Feb-14	2	2ND



VFW POST 8561

SHUFFLE BOARD TOURNAMENT RESULTS

As Of 27 FEB 2014

NAME	DATE	MATCH	PLACE
CLARK RATTAN	27-Feb-14	1	1ST
JIM SIMPSON	20-Feb-14	1	1ST
ED FARRIS	20-Feb-24	1	2ND
SUSAN MCCARROLL	13-Feb-14	1	1ST
JIM SIMPSON	6-Feb-14	1	1ST
C.J. FARRIS	6-Feb-14	1	2ND

FIND US ON: facebook

RED SHIRT FRIDAY!

WEAR A RED SHIRT TO THE POST ON A FRIDAY
AND GET ONE BEVERAGE AT
HAPPY HOUR PRICE!



VFW POST 8561
3221 HOWELL ST. ARL TX.
817 633 8332 [HTTP://WWW.VFWPOST8561.ORG](http://www.vfwpost8561.org)

THURSDAY BURGER NIGHT

EXPANDED MENU

ORDER EARLY OR CALL THE POST TO RESERVE YOURS!



GRILLED CHICKEN SANDWICH
REALLY BIG!
REGULAR HAMBURGER | CHEESEBURGER
WITH ALL THE FIXIN'S
1800 - SOLD OUT



"ALL YOU CAN EAT"

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

"It's Time For Breakfast!"

**IF YOU ARE GOUCHY, IRRITABLE,
OR JUST PLAIN MEAN ...**



**THERE WILL BE A
\$10 CHARGE
FOR PUTTING UP WITH YOU!**



VFW POST 8561 / CALENDAR

March 2014



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						1 •LOCKS OF LOVE FOR MARY THAYER - 1800
2	3	4 •LADIES AUX MTG 7PM	5 •ASH WEDNESDAY •8 BALL POOL TOURNEY - 1900	6 •SHUFFLEBOARD - 5:30 PM •HAMBURGER NIGHT	7	8
9 •DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME +1HR •BREAKFAST 09-1130 \$5.00	10	11 •VFW VETS MTG - 1900 •KOSOVO REMEMBRANCE •VFW NOMINATIONS! •SOMALIA REMEMBRANCE	12 •8 BALL POOL TOURNEY - 1900	13 •SHUFFLEBOARD - 5:30 PM •HAMBURGER NIGHT	14	15
16 •PACK THE POST - 1300	17 •ST PADDYS DAY HAPPY HOUR ALL DAY	18	19 •8 BALL POOL TOURNEY - 1900	20 •SHUFFLEBOARD - 5:30 PM	21	22
23 •VFW LAUX JR GIRLS BREAKFAST •JR GIRLS MEETING 6PM	24	25 •MENS AUXILIARY MEETING AT 7PM	26 •8 BALL POOL TOURNEY - 1900	27 •SHUFFLEBOARD - 5:30 PM	28	29
30 •BREAKFAST 09-1130 \$5.00 •CALENDAR MEETING NOON TO DISCUSS MAY 2014 EVENTS	31					

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

Licensed To: VFW POST 8561



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

Newletter Comments can be Emailed to

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

are available for pickup at the post.

Note: Limited Number of Monthly Newletters 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:



VFW Post 8561 Canteen Hours

POST PHONE: 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” !

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