

Commander: Glenn Talley

Next Meeting: 10 JUN 14 1900

Greetings!,

This is my last newsletter. Seven years has gone pretty quick. I have had the great pleasure to work with some outstanding people, both members and non-members, who have one thing in common; making sure that veterans needs are addressed and taken care of.

That, of course is what the VFW is all about: we do our best to take care of veterans and their families in resolving any needs that are identified. When we are successful in doing that, it doesn't get any better than that.

When I started my membership in the VFW, my generation (Viet Nam) were trying to justify our existence and eligibility to the WWII members. Now we have a whole new generation who are eligible for membership and will guide the VFW in the coming years. Changes are on the horizon. It will happen.

VFW Post 8561 will survive and will continue to be one of the leaders in District 21 and the Department of Texas, as long as the membership is involved in the running of the post making sure that its goals and programs are met each year.

The Post's worst enemy is apathy in its membership. Remember it is a fraternal organization. It takes the whole to be successful. Also, beware the few clowns with their convoluted thinking who advocate boycotting the post because their agendas are not met. They want to run the post as a bar and grill. Forget the meetings and programs. If that happens, the Department will pull the charter, shut down the post and sell it in a heartbeat.

Again, for all of you that put in all that time and effort to make this post successful; thank you, thank you, thank you.

Glenn

Come and join us! Bring Your Friends!



Ladies Auxiliary President: Pam Shelby Next Meeting: 03 JUN 2014 7PM

Sisters,

We start our new year in 2 weeks! Roll up your sleeves and let's dig in together. We have an awesome Auxiliary and an awesome group of Officers. I know if we all work together we can be number one!

We have already done many program reports for the 2014-2015 year but there are many, many more to go. Please be sure to report all that you do. It is better to submit a report and have it returned than not to report at all. If you have any questions, don't hesitate to ask.

Be a part of our Auxiliary and a part of Post 8561. Come out for events and meetings. Help in the planning and the event, you just might have fun and meet new friends. Speaking of new friends; work on membership. Encourage membership in VFW, Ladies Auxiliary, Men's Auxiliary and Jr. Girls. Share the benefits and be proud of our post. With all of the controversy with the VA now is the time for us to step up and show support for Our Veterans.

If you have any questions, comments or complaints, let's talk, not spread rumors, gossip or innuendos around. That only tears us down.



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 10 JUN 14 1900

VFW
POST 8561
LADIES
AUXILIARY
MEETING
03 JUN 14
7PM

VFW POST 8561 MENS AUXILIARY MEETING 24 JUN 14 7PM

Sr. Vice Commander - B.J. LASIK

The Riding Lawn Mower is in good health once again!

Requesting Volunteers to mow the post lawn!

My hope is to have enough volunteers to have a sign-up sheet so we don't burden the same person every week.

Either let me in know in person, or email me at BJ@vfwpost8561.org Thanks!

B.J.



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Hello Everyone

I hope that everyone will attend the Officer Installation on 1 June. We, the VFW and Ladies Auxiliary, have already begun our program reporting for the 2014-2015 year and are off to a good start. Please support these programs and be sure to turn in a report so we can receive the credit. Work on membership and let everyone know of the benefits of joining the VFW, Ladies Auxiliary, Men's Auxiliary and the Jr. Girls. If you need information on that, we can fill you in. Come out and support **Your** Post, there are weekly activities as well as special events.

Come to one of the roundtable meetings or your organizations monthly meetings to find out more. Check out the website or the face book pages. Please don't sit back and say you don't like something or wish "this" would happen. Come out and bring your ideas, comments or complaints, let's work together to keep our post's heart beating. We are all the lifeblood and it takes a lot of blood, not to mention sweat and tears, to keep it alive.

Do you want to say "I was a part of keeping Post 8561 and its Auxiliaries alive!" or do you prefer "I wish I had done something to help."

People can be divided into three groups: Those who make things happen, those who watch things happen, and those who wonder what happened.

Questions, Comments, Complaints - bring them to me or to BJ - let's not spread gossip or innuendos around the canteen or other organizations.

Which group do you belong to?

In Continued Support of Our Veterans Pam Shelby Canteen Manager



FROM THE WEBMASTER . . .

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

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

B.J.

Commander Elect (2014-2015) - B.J. LASIK

I want to thank the 25-30 people who make things happen around here, and keep **YOUR** post alive. They know who they are – and you will to when you come out and **Support Your Post**.

I also want to thank the membership for voting for me for Commander 2014-2015. I'll do my very best not to let you down.

My team and I are responsible for administrating **YOUR** Post and paying its obligations. The Membership is responsible for proving the funds to do that.

Failing to provide those funds means that My Team and I, cannot do our job. We need your Help!

Come out and visit Your Post! Bring your friends! Have fun!



Ladies Auxiliary Youth Chairman: Alexis Huelsman Next Meeting: 29 JUN 2014 6PM

Hello all!

I am very pleased with the effort that these Junior Girls have been showing! Almost all of the girls participated in some type of Memorial Day event! They learned the history of Memorial Day and even placed some pennies on many military graves, after learning the back story of what it meant.

On June 1st we had installation of the officers for the next year. I am proud of the girls and the badges they are earning, all while learning so much about the military! The girls will also be helping the Boy Scouts for the Flag Retirement Ceremony on June 22nd, which is also the day we are celebrating Army birthday! I hope more people come out and show some support for these hard working girls!

ALEXIS - Youth Chairman to the Junior Girls



POST WEBMASTER

VFW POST 8561

POST OFFICERS





BJ LASIK

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VFW LIFETIME MEMBERSHIP FEES

AGE ATTAINED 31 DECEMBER OF THE YEAR APPLYING

| 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: \$35

LIFE MEMBERSHIP FEES

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

LIFE MEMBERSHIPS SAVE MONEY!

MAUX \$27

JRGIRLS







LADIES AUXILIARY



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U.S. ARMY Birthday Celebration

VFW 8561

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Sunday 22 JUN 2014





Please See Rick Norman, or Gary Davis or the Bartender if you wish to make a Donation. Thank You!



Are You a Veteran in need of yard work assistance?

Planting, Weeding, Mowing, Raking etc.

Please call "Sam" from the American Airlines terans Military Employees Resource Group

919-656-5972

https://www.facebook.com/aavmerg

FLAG RAISING 14 JUN 2014 - 0900 VFW NAT. CEMETERY



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FOR DONATING TO 20140513 PATIENTS DAY OUT

To All Veterans







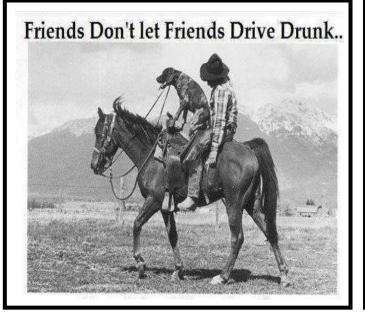


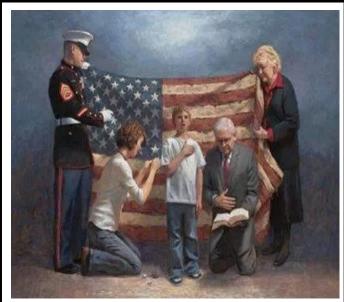
Whether At Home Or Abroad
Active Duty ~ Reserves ~ Retired

All Americans Say:

THANK YOU!



















JUL 2014

| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
|--|--------|--|-------------------------------------|-------------------------|--|--|
| | | 1 ·LADIES AUX MTG 7PM | 2 -8 BALL POOL TOURNEY -1900 | 3 | 4 •PARADE PARTY NOON - HOT DOGS AND HAMBURGERS | 5 |
| 6 •DIST 21 CHAIRMANS MEETING • 1400 | 7 | 8 -VFW VETS MTG - 1900 -KOREAN ARMISTICE REMEMBRANCE | 9 -8 BALL POOL TOURNEY -1900 | 10 -vfw ots - Austin | 11 • <u>vFW OTS - AUSTIN</u> | 12 -FLAGS DOWN DFW CEMETERY - 0900 -VFW OTS - AUSTIN |
| 13 -BREAKFAST 09-1130 -S5.00 -VFW OTS - AUSTIN | 14 | 15 | 16 -8 BALL POOL TOURNEY -1900 | 17 | 18 | 19 •FISH FRY FUNDRAISER FOR POST 8561 - 1300 |
| 20 | 21 | 22 -MENS AUXILIARY MEETING AT 7PM | 23 •8 BALL POOL TOURNEY •1900 | 24 | 25 | U.S.M.C N WATCH |
| 27 -DIST KICKOFF POST 8561 -1400 -JR GIRLS NO MEETING THIS MONTH | 28 | 29 | 30 -8 BALL POOL TOURNEY -1900 | 31 | | |

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.









POOL TOURNAMENT RESULTS

| FOOL TOOKNAMENT RESULTS | | | | | | |
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| As Of 28 MAY 2014 | | | | | | |
| NAME | DATE | MATCH | PLACE | | | |
| BEVERLY BARRINGTON AND PAUL BROWN | 28-May-14 | 1 | 1ST | | | |
| GARY DAVIS AND TRUMAN ROBINSON | 28-May-14 | 1 | 2ND | | | |
| MIKE DUTTON AND TRUMAN ROBINSON | 28-May-14 | 2 | 1ST | | | |
| PAUL BROWN AND MITCH EVERETT | 28-May-14 | 2 | 2ND | | | |
| PAUL BROWN AND B.J. LASIK | 21-May-14 | 1 | 1ST | | | |
| BEVERLY BARRINGTON AND MITCH EVERETT | 21-May-14 | 1 | 2ND | | | |
| MIKE DUTTON AND MITCH EVERETT | 21-May-14 | 2 | 1ST | | | |
| BEVERLY BARRINGTON AND DAVID MARTIN | 21-May-14 | 2 | 2ND | | | |
| BEVERLY BARRINGTON AND TRUMAN ROBINSON | 14-May-14 | 1 | 1ST | | | |
| HAP PACK AND JACK McCAULEY | 14-May-14 | 1 | 2ND | | | |
| BEVERLY BAIRRINGTON AND PAUL BROWN | 14-May-14 | 2 | 1ST | | | |
| BRIAN HIGHTOWER AND TRUMAN ROBINSON | 14-May-14 | 2 | 2ND | | | |
| PAM SHELBY AND PAUL BROWN | 7-May-14 | 1 | 1ST | | | |
| GARY DAVIS AND MIKE DUTTON | 7-May-14 | 1 | 2ND | | | |
| PAM SHELBY AND PAUL BROWN | 7-May-14 | 2 | 1ST | | | |
| JANET HIGHTOWER AND BRIAN HIGHTOWER | 7-May-14 | 2 | 2ND | | | |











RED SHIRT FRIDAY!



VEAR A RED SHIRT TO THE POST ON A FRIDAY

AND GET ONE BEVERAGE AT HAPPY HOUR PRICE!









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THURSDAY BURGER NIGHT

ORDER EARLY OR CALL THE POST TO RESERVE YOURS





"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!



VFWPOST8561/CALENDAR

June 2014



| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
|--|--------|--|--|---|----------------------------|---|
| 1 •INSTALLATION - 1400 | 2 | 3 •LADIES AUX MTG 7PM | 4 •8 BALL POOL TOURNEY -1900 | 5 | 6 | 7 • <u>PP</u> |
| 8 •BREAKFAST 09-1130 \$5.00 | 9 | 10 • <u>VFW VETS MTG - 1900</u> | 11 •8 BALL POOL TOURNEY -1900 •TEXAS STATE CONVENTION | 12 •TEXAS STATE CONVENTION | 13 •TEXAS STATE CONVENTION | 14 •FLAGS UP DFW CEMETERY - 0900 •PP •TEXAS STATE CONVENTION |
| 15 •TEXAS STATE CONVENTION | 16 | 17 | 18 •8 BALL POOL TOURNEY -1900 | 19 •4TH OF JULY PARADE MEETING - 1900 | 20 | 21 •PP |
| •POST PANCAKE BREAKFAST FUNDRAISER 0900-1130 •US ARMY BIRTHDAY (CELEBRATED) - 1300 •JR GIRLS MEETING 6PM | 23 | 24 •MENS AUXILIARY MEETING AT 7PM | 25 •8 BALL POOL TOURNEY -1900 | 26 | 27 | 28 •PARADE MARSHALL MTG - 0900 |
| •BREAKFAST 09-1130 \$5.00 •CALENDAR MEETING 1400 TO DISCUSS AUG 2014 EVENTS | 30 | | | | | |



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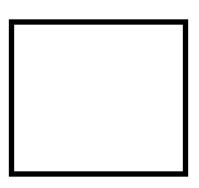
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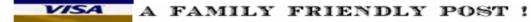
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SUNDAY MONDAY TUESDAY WEDNESDAY THURSDAY FRIDAY SATURDAY

12:00 - Close 10:00 - Close

We Open At 9:00AM on The 2ND AND Last Sunday for our Post Breakfast and Buffet





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

"SERVING THOSE WHO HAVE SERVED"!

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