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Commander Glenn Talley

Next Meeting: 11 DECEMBER 2007 1930

Sad times, happy times. First of all, I want to thank everyone who attended Mary Cowan's Funeral. That was a very sad way to end the Thanksgiving week. Norma Levy is the new President of the Ladies Auxiliary and I know she will be a good one.

The month of December means we are really getting into the Christmas Season. There are several events scheduled for the month. There will be only one Breakfast and that will be on 12-9. The Employee's Christmas Party is on 12-22 along with a Steak Night. On Sunday 12-23, we will have the Post Christmas Dinner. Covered dishes will be most welcome. We will have several Happy Hours including Christmas Eve and New Years Eve. The Post will be closed Christmas day. I want to remind everyone that we have a round table meeting on the first Saturday of each month at 4:00pm. We finalize the schedule of events for the month we are entering and make plans for the following month. Everyone is welcome to attend this meeting. We need fresh ideas. I see the same people at the meeting each month and they are trying hard to come up with events for the membership. If you can't take the time to attend, then please don't stand at the bar and complain. I've said it once and I'll say it again. We have 468 members on the roll and about 100 support the Post. Folks, we can do better than that!

I want to wish everyone a,
Merry Christmas and Happy New Year
Glenn

Women's Auxiliary President: Norma Levy
Next Meeting 10 DECEMBER 2007 7:00P

At the December 10th meeting we will have elections to fill all open positions. Everyone, try your best to attend. We need to get names of any families that are in need of food for the Christmas holidays. Please call the post or me with the information.

Mid Winter Convention will be in Austin, TX on January 24 thru 27, 2008. Please contact Norma or Rita if you are planning to attend and need information. We will be meeting at the Post

December 4th and 19th at 9:00am to go to the DFW to welcome home the troops there will be a sign up sheet thought out the post if you are interested. Let's get behind our troops and show that Post 8561 cares.

Let me thank everyone that helped with food and support for Mary's family during her illness. Her children appreciated the help. Now that Mary is in a better place, let's not forget her in our prayers.

Merry Christmas, everyone

Norma

Men's Auxiliary President: Rick Miller
Next Meeting 08 NOVEMBER 2007 7:00PM

We meet our membership goal. Our Men's Auxiliary is good for another year. We have five new members pending. The attendance at our monthly meetings has been increasing. It's great to see the members coming out to the meetings. December 7th, we are having our monthly fund raiser, which is a Meat Loaf Dinner with all the fixings. Remember to bring the item you said you agreed to. Santa will be at the post December 23 for the children's Christmas Party. Please bring a \$5.00 toy for a boy or girl. Age limit is thirteen. Merry Christmas and Happy New Year

Ricky



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OR AUXILIARY**



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Sr. Vice Zane Predmore

November was a very busy month. We are having a post event every Friday night, some turned out great and some not so great.

We held our first Flag Retirement Ceremony. I want to thank Scout Master Mike Patton and Boy Scout Troop 396 for all their help.

We were invited to attend Veteran's Day events at two schools, Shackelford Jr. High School and Rankin Elementary School.

Post members were invited to attend the Elks Lodge Veterans Day Ceremony on November 11th. I want to Thank the Elk's Lodge for inviting us.

Marine Corps had a great birthday party on November 11th.

Post hosted our Patients Day Out on November 13th. Thanks to everyone who helped. November 23 was Mary Cowan's funeral. It was so hard to say goodbye.

Post 8561 Thanksgiving Dinner was absolutely wonderful. We had a great turn out, and everyone relaxed and had a good time.

American Legion Poast 60 held a Chili Cook Off. Everyone one had such a fun time.

We held a Benefit Dinner for our friend and sister, Mary Cowan. Their was a ceremony held before the Benefit Dinner.

Lastly we have been having a wonderful turn out for our Post Cowboy Football Parties. Please come and join us. It's been a very busy month. I want to wish everyone a

Happy Holidays

Zane

**Shuffleboard Every Thursday 5:30pm
& Every Sunday 3:30pm**



**HAMBURGERS DURING
SHUFFLEBOARD \$3.50**

Note: Monthly Newsletters and Event Calendar are available in Condensed Form, at the Post for Pickup at your convenience. The Full Version (Detailed) can be mailed to your Home upon request. Requests can be Emailed to: NEWS@vfwpost8561.org .

Dallas Cowboys Football

DECEMBER 9TH COWBOYS @ DETROIT
DECEMBER 16TH COWBOYS @ PHILADELPHIA
DECEMBER 22ND COWBOYS @ CAROLINA
DECEMBER 30TH COWBOYS @ WASHINGTON



DECEMBER 09TH SERVING FROM: 9:00 TO 11:30AM

FRIDAY 1 DECEMBER 4:00PM
POST ROUND TABLE MEETING TO DISCUSS JANUARY 2008 EVENTS
PLEASE JOIN US, ALL MEMBERS ARE INVITED

FRIDAY 7 DECEMBER 6:00 - 8:00PM
COMFORT FOOD NIGHT
SERVING A MEAT LOAF DINNER, INCLUDING POTATO AND VEGETABLE
\$7.00

FRIDAY 7 DECEMBER 1941
PEARL HARBOR
REMEMBRANCE DAY



FRIDAY 14- 21- 28 DECEMBER
HOLIDAY HAPPY HOUR SPECIALS AND SNACKS
1600 TO CLOSE

SATURDAY 22 DECEMBER POST STEAK NIGHT
INCLUDING BAKED PATATO AND SALAD 6:00 - 8:00PM
\$10.00
ALSO EMPLOYEES CHRISTMAS PARTY

SUNDAY 23 DECEMBER
VFW POST 8561 CHRISTMAS DINNER
PLEASE BRING A COVERED DISH
SANTA WILL VISIT THE CHILDREN STARTING AT 2:00PM
EVERYONE PLEASE BRING A WRAPPED GIFT FOR THE KIDS (\$5 LIMIT),
MARKED BY AGE AND SEX OF CHILD TO ASSIST SANTA IN
HANDING THEM OUT. THANK YOU!



COME JOIN US ON
MONDAY 31 DEC 07 FOR THE POST
NEW YEARS EVE PARTY



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	4:00 - CLOSE	10:00 - CLOSE	10:00 - CLOSE	10:00 - CLOSE	10:00 - 12:00	10:00 - 01:00

WE OPEN AT 9:00AM ON DECEMBER 9TH FOR OUR POST BREAKFAST AND BUFFET.



A FAMILY FRIENDLY POST !



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

Monthly News Letter and Event Calendars Published Monthly
By: Sr. Vice Zane Predmore and Judge Advocate B.J. Lasik

Every Thursday is Ladies Happy Hour !

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Stars Annual Party

Tradition for over Thirty Years



Barbara asked me this past week, that she wanted to thank everyone who helps her year after year with the STARS Party. When Barbara talks I listen. A few names come to mind when you meet and have a heart to heart talk with her. The names that comes to mind is, take charge, taking care of business, caring, and a loving lady with a heart of gold. God brought her to these kids. Now you know Barbara. When you're near Barbara you feel the love. She looks after every detail, no short cuts for her. Don't get in her way then she's on the roll. I asked her when the STARS Party's started and who started it. She said it was originally called TARS and some where over the years it was renamed to STARS. The parties for her kids had been going on for over thirty years. Barbara and the Ladies Auxiliary have been carrying on the annual traditions for over ten plus years, Barbara wasn't sure. She does the STARS Party with love. Besides all she does, she wants to recognize and thank all the Ladies that step up and get together as a team and do what they do so well year after year. Barbara and her ladies are some of the unsung heroes we have at Post 8561. We should be thanking all of you. (Zane)

"THANK YOU FROM POST 8561"



VFW POST 8561 / CALENDAR

December 2007



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						1 •Third Quarter •CALENDAR MEETING 4:00PM •PP-Ballroom
2 •EVERY SUNDAY SHUFFLEBOARD 3:30PM	3	4	5 •FLEET RESERVE - 1900	6 •LADIES HAPPY HOUR ALL DAY •SHUFFLEBOARD - 5:30 PM HAMBURGERS \$3.50	7 •PEARL HARBOR REMEMBRANCE DAY •MEAT LOAF DINNER 6-8PM \$7	8 •PP-Ballroom
9 •New Moon •BREAKFAST 09-1130 \$4.00 •AM LG RIDERS - SANTA PICTURES 9-5PM •DALLAS COWBOYS - @DETROIT - NOON - FOX	10 •LADIES AUX MTG 7PM	11 •VFW VETS MTG - 1930	12	13 •LADIES HAPPY HOUR ALL DAY •SHUFFLEBOARD - 5:30 PM HAMBURGERS \$3.50 •MENS AUX MTG 7PM	14 •HAPPY HOUR 1600-CLOSE - SNACKS	15 •PP-Ballroom
16 •DALLAS COWBOYS - PHILADELPHIA - 3:15PM FOX	17 •First Quarter	18 •AM LGN. MEETING - 1900	19	20 •LADIES HAPPY HOUR ALL DAY •SHUFFLEBOARD - 5:30 PM HAMBURGERS \$3.50	21 •HAPPY HOUR 1600-CLOSE - SNACKS	22 •POST EMPLOYEE CHRISTMAS PARTY •STEAK NIGHT 5-7PM \$10 •DALLAS COWBOYS - @CAROLINA - 7:15PM NFL
23 •Full Moon •POST CHRISTMAS DINNER	24 •HAPPY HOUR 1600-CLOSE - SNACKS	25 •CLOSED	26	27 •LADIES HAPPY HOUR ALL DAY •SHUFFLEBOARD - 5:30 PM HAMBURGERS \$3.50	28 •HAPPY HOUR 1600-CLOSE - SNACKS	29 •CALENDAR MEETING 4:00PM TO DISCUSS FEB EVENTS
30 •BREAKFAST CANCELLED DUE TO HOLID •DALLAS COWBOYS - @WASHINGTON - NOON - FOX	31 •Third Quarter •POST NEW YEARS EVE PARTY					

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

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