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OCT 14



GREAT SOUTHWEST MEMORIAL

VFW POST 8561



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VFW POST 8561 UPDATE OCT 2014 V1

A FAMILY FRIENDLY POST

COMMANDER: B.J. LASIK NEXT MEETING: 14 OCT 14 1900

Greetings!,

We had a really great September! Wish that we had a better turn out for Patriot Day. Pam Shelby, the LAUX President and I represented our post in thanking the Fire and Police departments.

We have photos. You can't get in the photos, just like you can't keep your post, if you don't show up.

The Air Force birthday celebration was an awesome day! Special thanks to Beverly Barrington and Alexis Huelsman for making the Air Force Blue Velvet cake happen!

The Extreme Gaming Night is a work in progress and will only get better. Thanks to David Martin for coordinating that event! Looking forward to the next one.

The Shrimp Boil was just plain FUN . . . Awesome Food! Awesome Music . . . if you missed it, that's a shame, cuz it was a blast!

Thanks to ALL who made those events happen! Check the recent page on the website for photos.

The month of October has a lot going on too!

Oktoberfest on the 7th!

Patti Stilson Benefit Fish Fry !

This is at Post 9299 Alvarado at 1700 . . . A great event, for a very special person.

U.S. NAVY Birthday Celebration at Noon on the 12th!

Come celebrate with the NAVY! And bring a can of food for Arlington Urban Ministries! We have a live band this Year. The F-111's ! Military birthdays are always a great time at Your Post!

Along with two breakfasts, we have four Cowboy Games with drink specials this month! Come watch the games with your friends!

Volunteering your time, or just joining your friends for a beverage can mean the difference in a program's success, or paying the electric bill to keep the lights on! It's your post! Please come help us out! And Let's Have Fun At the Same Time!

Review the Website, Newsletters, and Email Readfiles! Stay on top of what's happening at YOUR POST!

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Come and join us! Bring Your Friends!

B.J.

Help Keep Your Post Alive!!!



Ladies Auxiliary President: Pam Shelby

Next Meeting: 07 OCT 2014 7PM

Sisters,

Well not much has changed since last months newsletter. We are still in last place for membership. We have a meeting on October 7, which is our annual inspection. It would be great if we had all of our officers and also, members in the seats.

Last month the post had a dinner for a Post Fundraiser, and the attendance was very low. We are trying it again on October 4th with an Oktoberfest and a live band, maybe some of you can join us? Our post and our Auxiliary attendances are way down and I can only think that there is not enough interest in keeping either one alive. Can you prove me wrong?

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!*



FROM THE CANTINEEN

Hello once again,

We missed everyone at the Post Fundraiser September 27th. We will try once more on October 4th. It is becoming hard to miss that the interest in keeping our Post home alive is falling off. Your support is needed in this Endeavour. We are a family and it takes all family members to hold the bond together. Contrary to popular belief we do not pay the bills with member dues, these go to Department, our funds for bills and taxes come through the support of members. Can you support your post home and post family or will you miss it one day and say "Gee, I wish I had done more to help out?"

**VFW
POST 8561
MEETING
14 OCT 14
1900**

**VFW
POST 8561
LADIES
AUXILIARY
MEETING
07 OCT 14
7PM**

**VFW
POST 8561
MENS
AUXILIARY
MEETING
28 OCT 14
7PM**

OKTOBERFEST



**BEER BRATS, SOURERKRAUT
CREAMY NOODLES, GREEN BEAN
DUMPLING SOUP
FRIED POTATOES AND DUMPLINGS
STUFFED CABBAGE DESSERT**

**ENTERTAINMENT: SATURDAY
"ASK JUNIOR" 04 OCT 14
1830-2000 \$10**

PLEASE "R S V P" BY 01 OCT 14 TO ENSURE ENOUGH FOOD IS ALLOCATED
BY CALLING THE POST OR EMAILING THE RSVP ADDRESS BELOW

THIS IS A POST FUNDRAISER

IF YOU ARE UNABLE TO ATTEND BUT WOULD LIKE TO DONATE,
PLEASE CONTACT THE POST

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**DALLAS
COWBOYS**



**HOUSTON
TEXANS**

HAPPY HOUR!

**Come Out And
Join Your Friends!**

SPECIAL!

**DOMESTIC
CANIBOTTLE BEER
WINE AND WELL**

**\$2.25
SUNDAY
05 OCT 14
NOON**

Receive Ticket at door for
Drink prizes for
Cowboy Touchdowns
and Field Goals

Texas VFW District 21

MEETING SUNDAY

05 OCT 14 | 1000

VFW Post 5617

580 S. CHERRY LN.

Fort Worth, TX 76108

Phone: 817-246-0891



**WOMEN
IN THE MILITARY
RECOGNITION
Tuesday 07 OCT 14**



<http://usepages.aug.com/captbarb/arlington.html>
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Fundraiser for Patti Stilson - Calhoun

*Fish Fry \$10 all you can eat
October 11th, 2014
Starts at 5:00 PM*



Presented by the Ladies Auxiliary of VFW Post 9299

We will have a 50/50 and a Cake Raffle

Karaoke provided by Hank and Mercy

CANNED FOOD DRIVE !



DURING
THE
NAVY
BIRTHDAY
CELEBRATION



Hungry Today.



**ARLINGTON
URBAN MINISTRIES**

<http://arlingtonurbanministries.org/>

12 OCT 14



**DALLAS
COWBOYS**



**SEATTLE
SEA HAWKS**

HAPPY HOUR !

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DOMESTIC
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SUNDAY

12 OCT 14

1525

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COLUMBUS DAY



Columbus Day

HAPPY MONDAY

**HOUR ! 13 OCT 2014
ALL - DAY**



ENDURING

FREEDOM

07 OCT 2001 - NOW

RECOGNITION

TUESDAY

14 OCT 14



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U S NAVY Birthday Celebration

VFW 8561

Sunday 12 OCT 14

NOON



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

SIDE DISHES REQUESTED



DALLAS COWBOYS
NEW YORK GIANTS

SPECIAL!

DOMESTIC
CANIBOTTLE BEER
WINE AND WELL

HAPPY HOUR!

\$2.25
SUNDAY
19 OCT 14
1525

Come Out And
Join Your Friends!

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and Field Goals

2013 STARS PARTY!

SATURDAY
25 OCTOBER 2014
1-3PM
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Post Round Table Events Meeting
SUNDAY OCT 26 2014 / 1400 All Members Invited

TO DISCUSS
DEC 2014
EVENTS!



DALLAS COWBOYS
WASHINGTON REDSKINS

SPECIAL!

DOMESTIC
CANIBOTTLE BEER
WINE AND WELL

HAPPY HOUR!

\$2.25
MONDAY
27 OCT 14
1930

Come Out And
Join Your Friends!

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Drink prizes for
Cowboy Touchdowns
and Field Goals

20140913
PATRIOT DAY REMEMBRANCE
FIRE STATION "6"



Friends Don't let Friends Drive Drunk..





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MEMBERSHIP

VFW

LAUX

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

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



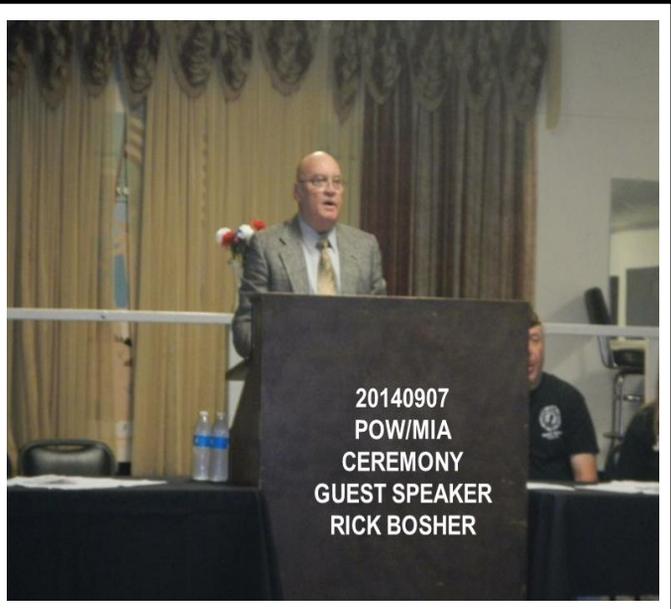
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FLAG RETIREMENT
CEREMONY



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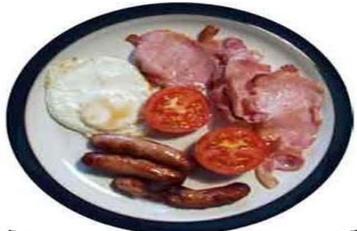


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U.S.A.F. BIRTHDAY
CELEBRATION



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POW/MIA
CEREMONY
GUEST SPEAKER
RICK BOSHER

**IF YOUR POST
GOES AWAY**
AND YOU
DID NOT SUPPORT IT,
YOU HAVE ONLY TO
LOOK IN THE MIRROR
TO FIND BLAME ...



"ALL YOU CAN EAT"
BREAKFAST \$5.00
EVERY 2ND AND LAST SUNDAY
SERVING 9-11:30 AM
"It's Time For Breakfast !"

NOV 2014

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						1 •DAY OF THE DEAD PARTY! 1900
2 •DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME -1HR •JR GIRLS FUN RUN POST 8235 - 1000 •COWBOYS Vs CARDNALS - NOON	3	4 •ELECTION DAY SPECIAL •LADIES AUX MTG 7PM	5 •8 BALL POOL TOURNEY -1900	6	7 •RED SHIRT FRIDAY	8
9 •COWBOYS Vs JAGUARS - NOON •USMC BIRTHDAY CELEBRATED - NOON •FOOD DRIVE	10	11 •PATIENTS DAY OUT 9:30AM - 2PM •VETERANS DAY CEREMONY 1100 •VFW/VETS MTG - 1900	12 •8 BALL POOL TOURNEY -1900	13	14 •RED SHIRT FRIDAY	15
16 •COWBOYS BYE	17	18	19 •8 BALL POOL TOURNEY -1900	20	21 •RED SHIRT FRIDAY	22
23 •THANKSGIVING DINNER - 2PM •JR GIRLS MEETING 6PM •COWBOYS Vs GIANTS - 1930	24	25 •MENS AUXILIARY MEETING AT 7PM	26 •8 BALL POOL TOURNEY -1900	27 •OPEN AT 1000 •COWBOYS Vs EAGLES - 1525	28 •RED SHIRT FRIDAY	29
30 •BREAKFAST 09-1130 \$5.00 •CALENDAR MEETING 1400 TO DISCUSS JAN 2015 EVENTS						

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.



WE WANT YOU TO JOIN US!

ASK ME HOW TO JOIN THE VFW OR AUXILIARY

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FOR SALE IN THE CANTEN



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POOL TOURNAMENT RESULTS

As Of 24 SEP 2014

NAME	DATE	MATCH	PLACE
MELINDA GOFORTH AND GARY DAVIS	24-Sep-14	1	1ST
JEFF EDWARDS AND ANTONIO GOMEZ	24-Sep-14	1	2ND
MELINDA GOFORTH AND PAUL BROWN	24-Sep-14	2	1ST
GARY DAVIS AND MIKE DUTTON	24-Sep-14	2	2ND
MITCH EVERETT AND JAMES MARTINEZ	17-Sep-14	1	1ST
MELINDA GOFORTH AND MARVIN MILLER	17-Sep-14	1	2ND
PAUL BROWN AND MIKE DUTTON	17-Sep-14	2	1ST
MARVIN MILLEER AND WILL PHAM	17-Sep-14	2	2ND
PAUL BROWN AND LOI PHAM	17-Sep-14	3	1ST
MARVIN MILLER AND WILL PHAM	17-Sep-14	3	2ND
JEFF EDWARDS AND JAMES MARTINEZ	10-Sep-14	1	1ST
BEVERLY BARRINGTON AND MELINDA GOFORTH	10-Sep-14	1	2ND
PAUL BROWN AND GARY DAVIS	10-Sep-14	2	1ST
ESTHER SMITH AND MIKE DUTTON	10-Sep-14	2	2ND
PAUL BROWN AND GARY DAVIS	10-Sep-14	3	1ST
JAMES MARTINEZ AND RUDY QUINTERO	10-Sep-14	3	2ND
MIKE DUTTON AND JAMES MARTINEZ	3-Sep-14	1	1ST
PAM SHELBY AND B.J. LASIK	3-Sep-14	1	2ND
JAMES MARTINEZ AND TRUMAN ROBINSON	3-Sep-14	2	1ST
GARY DAVIS AND MIKE DUTTON	3-Sep-14	2	2ND



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SHRIMP BOIL
FUNDRAISER



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FUNDRAISER
"THE F-111'S"

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To All Veterans



Whether At Home Or Abroad
Active Duty ~ Reserves ~ Retired
All Americans Say:
THANK YOU!



Are You a Veteran
in need of yard work
assistance?

Planting, Weeding,
Mowing, Raking etc.

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

919-656-5972

American Airlines
<https://www.facebook.com/aavmerg>

RED SHIRT FRIDAY!

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



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SPECIAL THANK YOU
TO STEWART PIKE
FOR HAVING OUR
LAWN TACTOR BLADE DECK
WELDED BACK TOGETHER!
THANKS STEW!





VFW POST 8561 / CALENDAR

October 2014 ▼



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 • 8 BALL POOL TOURNEY -1900	2	3 • RED SHIRT FRIDAY	4 • OKTOBERFEST 1830-2000 \$10
5 • DISTRICT 21 MEETING - POST 5617 WHITESETTLEMENT TX • COWBOYS Vs TEXANS - NOON	6	7 • LADIES AUX MTG 7PM • WOMEN IN THE MILITARY RECOGNITION	8 • 8 BALL POOL TOURNEY -1900	9	10 • RED SHIRT FRIDAY	11 • PATTI STILSON BENEFIT FISH FRY POST 9299 ALVARADO
12 • BREAKFAST 09-1130 \$5.00 • NAVY BIRTHDAY (CELEBRATED) - NOON • COWBOYS Vs SEAHAWKS - 1525 • FOOD DRIVE	13 • COLUMBUS DAY HH	14 • VFW VETS MTG - 1900 • ENDURING FREEDOM REMEMBRANCE	15 • 8 BALL POOL TOURNEY -1900	16	17 • RED SHIRT FRIDAY	18 • PP
19 • COWBOYS Vs GIANTS - 1525	20	21	22 • 8 BALL POOL TOURNEY -1900	23	24 • RED SHIRT FRIDAY	25 • STARS PARTY 1300-1500
26 • BREAKFAST 09-1130 \$5.00 • CALENDAR MEETING 1400 TO DISCUSS NOV 2014 EVENTS • JR GIRLS MEETING 6PM	27 • COWBOYS Vs REDSKINS - 1930	28 • MENS AUXILIARY MEETING AT 7PM	29 • 8 BALL POOL TOURNEY -1900	30	31 • RED SHIRT FRIDAY	

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

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B.J. LASIK

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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



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

“SERVING THOSE WHO HAVE SERVED” !

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