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December 2022 Newsletter

From our Post Commander

We all know that life can throw you some curve balls sometimes. That is why I believe it is so important, especially at this time of year, to let our friends and loved ones know just how much they mean to you. So I am taking this time to let each and every one of you know that I love each one of you. This place has come to mean quite a lot to me, but it is the people that make it swing. Each of you hold a spot down here that only you can fill. You are part of the family. Loving mothers and fathers, fighting brothers and sisters and some crazy uncles, but you're all loved.

With that let me say...."MERRY CHRISTMAS" to each and every one of you, and may Gods blessings be upon you and your family all thru this season and the next year.

See you at the Post

David Fenn

Commander Post 516

Young Heroes of the Guard Toy Drive

The annual "[Young Heroes of the Guard](#)" Toy Drive, a Texas State Guard community service event, benefits Texas children's hospitals, schools, battered women's shelters, and other organizations for children. [The drive started in 2009 with the initial goal to provide toys to the children confined to hospitals in the Dallas/Fort Worth area in an effort to bring them comfort and joy during the holidays.](#)

[Toy Drive](#) collection boxes are out at Post 516

SAL Squadron meeting

7:00 pm before darts every second Wednesday

Legion Riders meeting

Normally noon on the first Saturday with a ride following the meeting. This month we are having the District Convention and then party on this Saturday. Out Riders are part of the family and always welcome.

From Our Auxiliary:

Happy Holidays!

I hope everyone had a wonderful Thanksgiving full of friends and family. This time of year is busy for most of us and our post is no different. We will be decorating the dining room and bar for Christmas on Wednesday, November 30, at 5 pm. Everyone is welcome to join us.

Post 516 is hosting the 12th District Fall Convention and Christmas Party on Saturday, December 3, and the post will be closed to the public. The party is scheduled to begin at noon and is open to all 12th District families. This includes American Legion, ALA, SAL, and AL Riders. Unit 516 will be preparing and serving lunch about 2 p.m. Please plan to join us.

ALA is collecting breakfast and snack foods to take to NAS-JRB on Dec. 8 for their Fleet and Family food bank. Children will be home for 2 weeks of Christmas break and will not be eating breakfast at school. Cash donations will be accepted by any ALA member and one of us will shop for you. ALA Unit 516 will be donating \$100 worth of snacks from our budget. We will also be donating 20 Christmas cards containing \$20 as a gift for teens. These will be taken to NAS-JRB Fleet and Family for parents to pick up.

Our Post 516 Christmas Party will be Friday, December 9, at 6:00. This includes AL, ALA, SAL, and Riders along with their families. Dinner will be provided to all members who are paid for 2023. We will charge \$10 for each dinner to non-members and members who are not yet paid for 2023. We will enjoy some music provided by Jasper Jones and the karaoke singers.

ALA will again meet on the second Saturday. Our next meeting will be Saturday, Dec. 10, at 9:30 am. We realize that the changing dates and times may be inconvenient for some, but we are attempting to find a meeting time that suits the majority. We will discuss the date and time for our January meeting and begin planning events for 2023.

ALA will be serving dinner on the 3rd Friday, December 16. \$5 per plate starting at 6:00 and ending at 8:00. Please join us for dinner, music, and fun.

Marsha Srader

ALA Unit 516 Secretary / Treasurer

Historian and Hubmaster notes

If you know someone that wants to get these communications from our post, ask them to fill out the form at www.post516.org/NewMem.html and they will be subscribed.

Legion Diner news: great selections on the menu!

We are here to serve Veterans and our local community not just our members. All profits are used for The American Legion local and Veterans programs.

Membership

Latest listing for the state shows our Post Family membership at:

AL – Now working on 2023 goals, check here to find progress:

https://txlegion.org/web_reports/Membership%20Report.pdf

ALA – Now working on 2023 goals, check here to find progress:

<https://alateexas.org/membership/membership-reports/>

SAL – Now working on 2023 goals, check here to find progress:

<https://saltexas.org/member/detmembership2022.pdf>

You can make your payment in person at Post 516, by US mail or

Online at: [American Legion](#) – [American Legion Auxiliary](#)

Event and Meeting schedule:

American Legion Auxiliary Unit 516: 2nd Saturday (temp) at 9:30 am

Post 516 Executive Board: first Thursday at 7PM

Sons of The American Legion Squadron 516: Second Wednesday at 7PM

American Legion Riders: First Saturday at noon

American Legion General Membership: third Thursday at 7PM

Every Wednesday: Blind Draw Darts 7 pm sign up, 7:30 pm start

Every Friday night Karaoke at the Post 7:00 pm

Second Saturday Pancakes with the Commanders and President: 8 am to 11 am

2022 – 2023 OFFICERS:

They are volunteering their time for you, please help them.

Legion

Commander: **David Fenn**

First Vice Cmdr: **"Doc" Savage**

2nd Vice Cmdr: **Adrian Keeble**

Adjutant: **Dave Etter**

Finance Officer: **Darin Bell**

Judge Advocate: **Richard Srader**

Historian: **Ken Cox**

Chaplain: **Vacant**

Sgt. at Arms: **Vacant**

Service Officer: **James Thrasher**

Member at Large: **Glen Moore**

ALA

President: **Roxan Faison**

Vice President: **Karen Lomas**

Secretary: **Marsha Srader**

Treasurer: **Marsha Srader**

Sgt. at Arms: **Erica Goosby**

Chaplain: **Mary Jane Savage**

Historian: **Janice Cox**

Executive Board: **Polly Garner**

Executive Board: **Becky Moore**

Vacant

SAL

Commander: **Dennis Williamson**

Vice Commander: **Roger Clough**

Finance Officer: **Bill Putman**

Adjutant: **Bill Putman**

Chaplain: **"Pistol Bob" Eaton**

Sgt. at Arms: **Cecil Forshee**

Historian: **"Pistol Bob" Eaton**

ALR

Director: **Bill Putman**

Asst. Director: **"D-Man" Williamson**

Finance Officer: **"Toothpick" Forshee**

Secretary: **Erica Goosby**

Chaplain: **Jeff "4-F" Langdon**

Sgt. at Arms: **James Thrasher**

Run Coordinator: **Erica Goosby**

December 2022 - Greater Fort Worth Post 516						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1/Diner open 7 am to 2 pm 7 pm Legion Exec Board	2/Diner open 7 am to 2 pm 7 pm Karaoke	3/Post Closed Closed for District Convention & party
4/Post Closed	5/Post Closed	6/Diner open 7 am to 2 pm	7/Diner open 7 am to 2 pm 7:00 Darts	8/Diner open 7 am to 2 pm	9/Diner open 7 am to 2 pm Post Christmas Party	10/Diner open 7 am to 2 pm Pancakes 9:30 am Auxiliary
11/Post Closed	12/Post Closed	13/Diner open 7 am to 2 pm	14/Diner open 7 am to 2 pm 7 pm SAL 7:30 Darts	15/Diner open 7 am to 2 pm 7 pm Post Membership meeting	16/Diner open 7 am to 2 pm Karaoke Raffel drawing	17/Diner open 7 am to 2 pm 12 noon Submarine Veterans
18/Post Closed	19/Post Closed	20/Diner open 7 am to 2 pm	21/Diner open 7 am to 2 pm 7 pm Darts	22/Diner open 7 am to 2 pm	23/Diner open 7 am to 2 pm 7 pm Karaoke	24/Diner open 7 am to 2 pm
25/Post Closed Merry Christmass	26/Post Closed	27/Diner open 7 am to 2 pm	28/Diner open 7 am to 2 pm 7 pm Darts	29/Diner open 7 am to 2 pm	30/Diner open 7 am to 2 pm 7 pm Karaoke	31/Diner open 7 am to 2 pm
<p>Be sure to check our on line schedule for the latest updates, links and more Auxiliary Unit 516 meeting now on the second Saturday at 9:30 am 3rd Saturday at noon, Submarine Veterans Cowtown Base</p>						

--- Current and Coming special events in our District:

Dec 3 (Sat) – Legion Convention and District Christmas Party at our Post 516

Dec 9 (Fri) – Post 516 Christmas Party

Dec 17, 2022 (Sat) - [National Wreaths Across America](#)

Dec 19 (Mon) Chanukah/Hanukkah (first day)

Dec 16 (Fri) – [Gun Raffle Drawing for Post 516 fundraiser](#)