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January 2023 Newsletter

From our Post Commander

Happy New Year...

First let me say Thank You to all members for your continued support. Your dedication is what allows us to keep this place up and running. Now, having said that, let me also remind you that we are in need of volunteers for just about everything from mowing the grass to washing dishes during open hours. Before you jump at being the bartender; ha, ha, you must be TABC certified to work behind the bar and Health Dept certified to cook or handle food. But don't be discouraged. There are lots of other things we need help with.

Let's get an early start on elections this year. Be thinking on what position you would like to fill in the upcoming year.

Enjoy the season and let us work together to make this the Best Post in 12th District. Come on down and show your support.

See you at the Post David Fenn Commander Post 516

SAL Squadron meeting - 7:00 pm before darts every second Wednesday

Legion Riders meeting Noon on the first Saturday. Ride following the meeting.

From Our Auxiliary:

Happy New Year!

December was a very busy month for ALA. December 3rd, we prepared and served a meal for the 12th District American Legion Fall Convention. We hosted the Post 516 Christmas party on the 9th. We had our monthly meeting on December 10 and provided a meal for the third Friday night karaoke.

Saturday, December 17, we had the honor of hosting the Highway to Heaven organization who, with special guest, Opal Lee, distributed coats and toys to needy children in our area. We were excited to offer each child and their families a meal in addition to the gifts they received.

It has been a busy, rewarding month of service.

I look forward to seeing you at our next meeting. Again, we will meet on Saturday, January14 at 9:30 a.m.

.*Marsha Srader* ALA Unit 516 Secretary / Treasurer

Secret Santa Christmas gift distribution

Greater Fort Worth American Legion Post 516 Family provided the location and assisted with a Christmas gift distribution party centering on grandparents raising their grandkids. The event was sponsored by Unity Unlimited, Inc. with special guest Opal Lee who shared with the children the Juneteenth story and how important it is to celebrate the freedom to gather with family and friends. Lots of deserving kids got a nice warm coat, shoes, several pairs of clothes and a toy. Lunch was served by American Legion Auxiliary Unit 516.

See lots of pictures in our scrapbook http://www.post516.org/scrapbook/20221217kids516/home.html

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.

<u>Membership</u>

Latest listing for the state shows our Post Family membership at: <u>AL</u> – Now working on 2023 goals, check here to find progress: <u>https://txlegion.org/web_reports/Membership%20Report.pdf</u> <u>ALA</u> – Now working on 2023 goals, check here to find progress: <u>https://alatexas.org/membership/membership-reports/</u> <u>SAL</u> – Now working on 2023 goals, check here to find progress: <u>https://saltexas.org/member/detmembership2022.pdf</u> You can make your payment in person at Post 516, by US mail or **Online at:** <u>American Legion</u> – <u>American Legion Auxiliary</u>

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

<u>SAL</u>

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 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

<u>ALR</u>

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**

| January 2023 - Greater Fort Worth Post 516 | | | | | | |
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| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
| 1/Post Closed Happy New Years | 2/Post Closed | 3 /Diner open 7 am to 2 pm | 4/Diner open 7 am to 2 pm 7:00 Darts | 5/Diner open 7 am to 2 pm 7 pm Legion Exec Board | 6/Diner open 7 am to 2 pm 7 pm Karaoke | 7/Diner open 7 am to 2 pm 12 noon Legion Riders |
| 8/Post Closed | 9/Post Closed | 10 /Diner open 7 am to 2 pm | 11/Diner open 7 am to 2 pm 7 pm SAL 7:30 Darts | 12 /Diner open 7 am to 2 pm | 13/Diner open 7 am to 2 pm 7 pm Karaoke | 14/Diner open 7 am to 2 pm Pancakes 9:30 am Auxiliary |
| 15/Post Closed | 16/Post Closed Martin Luther King Jr. Day | 17 /Diner open 7 am to 2 pm | 18/Diner open 7 am to 2 pm 7 pm Darts | 19/Diner open 7 am to 2 pm 7 pm Post Membership meeting | 20/Diner open 7 am to 2 pm 7 pm Karaoke ALA Food | 21/Diner open 7 am to 2 pm 12 noon Submarine Veterans |
| 22/Post Closed | 23/Post Closed | 24 /Diner open 7 am to 2 pm | 25/Diner open 7 am to 2 pm 7 pm Darts | 26 /Diner open 7 am to 2 pm | 27/Diner open 7 am to 2 pm 7 pm Karaoke | 28 /Diner open 7 am to 2 pm |
| 29/Post Closed | 30/Post Closed | 31 /Diner open 7 am to 2 pm | | | | |
| | Auxiliary | Unit 516 mee | ne schedule for ting now on t , Submarine \ | he second Sa | aturday at 9:3 | d more 0 am |

--- Current and Coming special events in our District: Jan 7, 2023 (Sat) - - District Oratorical contest at Post 569 Jan 13 – Feb 4, 2023 – Fort Worth <u>Stock Show and Rodeo</u> Jan 14, 2023 (Sat) - Fort Worth Stock Show Parade 11 a.m. Jan 17 – 22, 2023 - Mid Winter Conference- Austin, Texas Jan 20 (Fri) – Food available 6 pm to 8 pm, \$5 per plate