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November 2023 Chapter, Squadron, Unit and Post 516 FAMILY Newsletter

What you enjoyed or missed and can enjoy at your post

For those that missed it, here are the <u>Community Trunk or Treat at Post 516</u>, <u>October 21</u>, <u>2023</u> pictures. Lots of great kids that brought parents.

Saturday Nov 4 we are hosting the ALA 12th District Fall Convention followed by Autumn's Hope. This is such an important event. Bring a stuffed animal to add to our growing collection. Autumn wants to take the bears to Cook Children's Hospital

. From our Post Commander

The end of the year is upon us. Thanksgiving, then Christmas and New Year. We have the privilege again this year to host Ms Opel Lee and her foundation in helping kids. Last year we hosted 126 kids that would not have had a Christmas without Ms Opel's help. This year there is over 500 that have requested help. It will be December 16 and we could use all the help we can get that day. Tarrant County Food Bank will also be here that day passing out food boxes.

We are still trying to raise money to cover some repairs around here. You supporting the restaurant and the club helps a lot. We have several rentals coming up in the next couple months. Please remember that as a member, you can come in any time the doors are open, but please, do not interact with the private parties unless invited.

Membership is coming along good, but keep plugging away.

As always, we are open 7am to 2pm Tues thru Saturday in the diner. Bar is open as long as we got customers (ha ha). Karaoke on Friday night and Darts on Wednesday night.

Come on down and help keep the doors open.

See you at the Post *David Fenn* Commander

From Our Auxiliary:

Brrr! It's a little chilly as we start November.

We have a busy month planned. We are hosting the ALA 12th District Fall Convention on Saturday, November 4th, at 9:00 am. The diner and bar will be open during this meeting. If you want to attend, registration at the door is \$30. This includes a light breakfast and lunch.

Autumn's Hope benefit will be held on November 4, 6 pm to 12 am. This is such an important event. Bring a stuffed animal to add to our growing collection. Autumn wants to take the bears to Cook Children's Hospital since she began her cancer fight there. A stuffed animal can bring a lot of comfort to a frightened, ill child. David and Chris are preparing a BBQ feast to help raise funds for Autumn's journey. \$15 will get you a plate of 2 meats and all the fixings. There are so many amazing auction and raffle items. ALA has made a bouquet of gift cards (more that \$100) that will be in the silent auction. The kids will have a chance to win prizes by choosing the Lucky Duck. This is an event for the entire family.

The North Texas Spyder Riders are returning to our post on November 17 for a Meet and Greet at 6 pm. They will have their awesome rides in the parking lot, showing off their special lighting. Rachel will be preparing our meal that night. Be sure to come purchase your dinner, sing some karaoke and check out the bikes.

Membership dues for 2024 are currently being accepted on-line or in person by check or cash. We are planning a holiday membership meal for December 15. There will be no charge for members who have paid their 2024 dues.

I hope to see everyone at one or all of our events this month.

Marsha Srader Secretary - Treasurer ALA Unit 516

Commemorative Brick Program

News; some of our actual bricks are now on display at the post.

We are filling the area around our flag pole with commemorative bricks purchased to honor any person or group you may wish to have remembered. Personalized bricks are on sale for \$65 each. You do not have to be a member this post to buy a brick to be permanently installed at the Post 516 flagpole. <u>Here are the details and available logos</u>; click here for the <u>brick order form in "pdf"</u> or the <u>brick order form in "doc"</u> format (to turn in at Post 516 with payment).

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

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

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.

2023 – 2024 OFFICERS:

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

<u>Legion</u>

Commander: David Fenn

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
28 Post Closed	29 Post Closed	30. Diner open 7 am to 2 pm	1/Diner open 7 am to 2 pm 7 pm Darts	2/Diner open 7 am to 2 pm 7 pm Executive Board	3/Diner open 7 am to 2 pm Karaoke & Food 7 pm	4/Diner open 7 am to 2 pm SEE BELOW
5/Post Closed	6/Post Closed	7 /Diner open 7 am to 2 pm	8/Diner open 7 am to 2 pm 7 <i>pm SAL</i> 7:30 Darts	9 /Diner open 7 am to 2 pm	10/Diner open 7 am to 2 pm Karaoke & Food 7 pm	11/Diner open 7 am to 2 pm Parade Participation
12/Post Closed	13/Post Closed	14 /Diner open 7 am to 2 pm	15 /Diner open 7 am to 2 pm 7 pm Darts	16/Diner open 7 am to 2 pm 7 pm Post and Unit meetings	17/Diner open 7 am to 2 pm Karaoke & Food 7 pm *** SEE BELOW	18/Diner open 7 am to 2 pm 12 noon Submarine Veterans
19/Post Closed	20/Post Closed	21 /Diner open 7 am to 2 pm	22 /Diner open 7 am to 2 pm 7 pm Darts	23 /Diner open 7 am to 2 pm	24/Diner open 7 am to 2 pm Karaoke & Food 7 pm	25 / Diner open 7 am to 2 pm
26/ Post Closed	27/Post Closed	28 /Diner open 7 am to 2 pm	29 /Diner open 7 am to 2 pm 7 pm Darts	30 /Diner open 7 am to 2 pm	Diner open 7 am to 2 pm 7 pm Karaoke	Diner open 7 am to 2 pm

Submarine Veterans Cowtown Base 3rd Saturday at noon

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

* Nov 4 (Sat) – American Legion Auxiliary District 12 Convention at Post 516 ** Nov 4 - Autumn's bears at Post 516

Nov 5 (Sun) - 43rd Annual Massing of the Colors TIME: 2:30 PM

Nov 7 – Election Day, polls open 7 a.m. to 7 p.m

Nov 11 (Sat) – Veterans Day Parade

Nov 15 (Wed) - Tarrant County Homeless Veterans Stand Down 8am to 1pm

*** Nov 17 (Fri) - Spyder Riders Meet and Greet 6 pm at Post 516