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September 2023 Chapter, Squadron, Unit and Post 516 FAMILY Newsletter From our Post Commander

Summer is almost over, maybe a little relief from the heat. (ha ha) This is Texas so just a little less hot. Still looking for things to do at the Post? We got all kinds of ideas; just need some bodies to help get things going.

The Diner is still open from 7am to 2pm. The Club is open till 8pm or sooner if there are no customers. We have a new Bartender!!! Miss Judy is working the bar, and she has already put a few in their place. She is good but does not put up with nonsense.

We are doing Blind Draw Darts on Wednesday starting at 7pm. Karaoke on Friday Night with dinner served at 6pm, singing at 7pm. Different meal every Friday Night,, so come check it out.

Trying to get a Poker Tournament started!

We are working on the building in the back room. Change is hard sometimes, but it is coming.

We have a PAID UP FOR LIFE raffle going right now. 10 dollar a ticket and the winner gets a PUFL membership (Legion or Auxiliary). Also have Memorial Bricks that we are selling for 65 dollars a brick. They will be permanently installed out by the flagpole in front of the mural.

I sure could use some help. So if you have a little time, I have a lot of things to do. Come on and let's make Post 516 the example that other Post try to follow.

See you at the Post David Fenn Commander

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. Here are the details and available logos; click here for the brick order form in "pdf" or the brick order form in "doc" format (to turn in at Post 516 with payment).

From Our Auxiliary:

Hello Friends.

It's hard to believe it is almost fall. We have quite a bit happening with ALA. Watch the new message boards for more information.

We are preparing to co-host a car and bike show with North Texas Spyder Ryders. The proceeds will benefit Patriot Paws, Valor Ranch and Road Warriors. All are worthy organizations to help our veterans.

The car/bike show will be October 7 from 10 am to 2 pm. Registration for cars, trucks, bikes, and trikes is \$20 at the door. We are not accepting early registration. There is no charge to attend. Join us and participate in the raffles and silent auction. We need vendors both inside and outside. We are currently collecting goods and services from businesses to place in the auction or raffles. These are tax deductible and we can provide you with the non-profit number. Please contact Karen Lomas-Jones or Marsha Srader for more information about donations.

ALA continues to serve dinner on the 3rd Friday during karaoke. Karen will be serving one of her specialties on September 15.

Unit 516 will be hosting the 12th District Fall Convention on Saturday, November 4. Members are encouraged to come to our meetings to help with planning. The diner and bar will remain open.

The members are working on some improvements at the post. We have replaced the soap dispensers in the ladies room and purchased soap to keep them refilled. The unit purchased two new message boards. One is on the dance floor near the karaoke station. The other will be placed near the bar. Watch these as well as the electronic message boards for coming events. We drew one name for the Travel Accessories Basket. Our very own Yolanda Mulkey was the lucky winner.

I hope to see everyone at the post for Friday night dinners and karaoke. ALA voted to increase the cost of the meals to \$10 per plate. This will help us to make a bit of profit.

Our next meeting will be held September 21st at 7 pm. We are also videoconferencing through ZOOM. Contact Marsha Srader at marshage@sbcglobal.net or 682-559-1135 for the ZOOM access code.

Marsha Srader Secretary - Treasurer ALA Unit 516

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.

<u>Legion Diner news:</u> 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.

Legion ALA

Commander: David Fenn President: Karen Lomas-Jones

Vice President: Rachel Merritt First Vice Cmdr: "Doc" Savage

Second Vice President: Tala Hodges 2nd Vice Cmdr: Erica Goosby Adjutant: Dave Etter Secretary/Treasurer: Marsha Srader

Finance Officer: Darin Bell Sgt. at Arms: Mary Jane Savage

Historian: Janice Cox Judge Advocate: Richard Srader

Historian: **Ken Cox** Chaplain: Mary Jane Savage Chaplain: Bruce Cordett Executive Board: Becky Moore Sqt. at Arms: Ron Whitaker **Executive Board: Darlene Copeland**

Service Officer: James Thrasher Executive Board: Retha Robbins Member at Large: Mike McCrady

Commander: **Dennis Williamson** Director: Bill Putman Vice Commander: Roger Clough Asst. Director: "D-Man" Williamson

Finance Officer: Bill Putman Finance Officer: "Toothpick" Forshee

ALR

Secretary: Erica Goosby Chaplain: Jeff "4-F" Langdon Sqt. at Arms: James Thrasher Historian: "Pistol Bob" Eaton Run Coordinator: Erica Goosby

Adjutant: Bill Putman Chaplain: "Pistol Bob" Eaton Sqt. at Arms: Cecil Forshee

Member at Large: Jasper Jones

September 2023 - Greater Fort Worth Post 516						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday		Friday	Saturday
					1/ Diner open 7 am to 2 pm	2/ Diner open 7 am to 2 pm 12 noon Legion Riders
					7 pm Karaoke	Legion Riders
3/ Post Closed	4/ Post Closed	5/ Diner open 7 am to 2 pm	6/ Diner open 7 am to 2 pm	7/ Diner open 7 am to 2 pm	8/ Diner open 7 am to 2 pm	9/ Diner open 7 am to 2 pm
	Labor Day		7 pm Darts	7 pm Legion Exec Board	7 pm Karaoke	Pancakes *TCVC
10/Post Closed Grandparents Day	11/ Post Closed	12/ Diner open 7 am to 2 pm	13/ Diner open 7 am to 2 pm 7 pm SAL 7:30 Darts	14/Diner open 7 am to 2 pm	15/ Diner open 7 am to 2 pm 7 pm Karaoke	16/ Diner open 7 am to 2 pm 12 noon Submarine Veterans
17/ Post Closed	18/ Post Closed	19/ Diner open 7 am to 2 pm	20/ Diner open 7 am to 2 pm 7 pm Darts	21/ Diner open 7 am to 2 pm 7 pm Post and Unit meetings	22/ Diner open 7 am to 2 pm 7 pm Karaoke	23/ Diner open 7 am to 2 pm
24/ Post Closed	25/ Post Closed	26/ Diner open 7 am to 2 pm	27/ Diner open 7 am to 2 pm 7 pm Darts	28/ Diner open 7 am to 2 pm	29/Diner open 7 am to 2 pm 7 pm Karaoke	30/ Diner open 7 am to 2 pm

Be sure to check our <u>on line schedule</u> for the latest updates, links and more * Tarrant County Veterans Council Veterans Day Parade Planning Meeting **3rd Saturday at noon**, Submarine Veterans Cowtown Base

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

Sep 9 (Sat) – MD Anderson Benefit Ride starting at Post 379

Sept 23 (Sat) - Breast Cancer fundraiser - Mansfield Unit 624 starting at 1 pm

Oktoberfest – Mansfield Post 624 starting at 1 pm

Emmanuel L. Young Post 838 50th Anniversary.

Sept 27 (Wed) - Blood Drive at Post 655 - 10am - 4pm

Oct 7 (Sat) - Car Show 10 am to 2 pm at Post 516

ALR 624 Annual Bike Rodeo

Oktoberfest – 2 to 8 pm at Haltom City Post 655

Oct 29 (Sun) – Trunk or Treat 3 to 7 pm at Post 655

Nov 5 (Sun) - Massing of the Colors