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March 2024 Chapter, Squadron, Unit and Post 516 FAMILY Newsletter

. From our Post Commander

FOR SALE
SLIGHTLY USED BUILDING
PLENTY OF LIGHTED PARKING
COMPLETE RESTARUANT AND BAR

Just a joke right now. But it could happen. Without membership participation, we are dead.

YOU make the difference whether we live or die. We have a very few that are dedicated and give all they can. And for them I am very grateful. And I wish I could pay them what they are worth.

Then we have some that can not help because of health or mobility reasons. My hearts desire is to be able to help these. But most that don't show is because of hurt feelings or just plain indifference.

Our elections are quickly upon us. YOU have the chance to be an influence and help make a change. To help set policies and conditions, TO MAKE A CHANGE. All positions are open to the elections. We have done too much good and have too much potential to just die and go away.

We still have Darts on Wednesday nights and Karaoke on Friday nights with dinner served from 6pm to 8pm. Looking to do so much more... BUT WE NEED YOU.

See you at the Post David Fenn Commander

Proposed Post 516 Bylaw change

Notice***This proposed change to the By-laws of Post 516, will be voted on at the general meeting March 21, 2024***

Section 5. Conflict of Interest Policy - No person in a position of authority over the Post, such as the Post Commander, Post Officers or members of the Post Executive Board may benefit personally from a decision he or she could make.

Proposed change:

Article IX. Section 5 will be changed to **Section 5.A**.

Add

Section 5.B. "No member of Post 516 shall benefit from the use of Greater Fort Worth Post 516's real property, name, location, or intellectual property for personal benefit, unless with an exception approved by the Executive board. Approved exceptions may include craft fairs, auctions, benefits, etc.

From Our Auxiliary:

Hello,

ALA is planning a St. Patrick's Day dinner on Friday, March 15, at 6:00. We will serve this meal from 6 to 8 pm.

Our next meeting will be Thursday, March 21, at 7 pm. We need your input. Please contact Marsha Srader or Karen Lomas if you want to participate via ZOOM on your phone or computer.

Our membership year ended on December 31, 2023. Please pay your \$35.00 dues for 2024. This can be in person, mailed to 6801 Manhattan Blvd, Fort Worth, Texas 76120, or online at http://www.legion-aux.org/renew.

Looking forward to spring.

Marsha Srader Secretary - Treasurer ALA Unit 516 marshagc@sbcglobal.net

PUFL raffle

We now have a PUFL raffle going for \$10 a ticket. The winning ticket will get a **Paid Up For Life membership in the Legion or Auxiliary**. As soon as we sell 250 tickets we will have a drawing at a public event at our post. You do not have to be present at the drawing or a member of this post to buy tickets and win.

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

<u>Legion Riders meeting</u> 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.

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).

2023 - 2024 OFFICERS:

Member at Large: Jasper Jones

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

<u>Legion</u> <u>ALA</u>

Commander: **David Fenn** President: **Karen Lomas-Jones**

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

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

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

Judge Advocate: Richard Srader Historian: Janice Cox

Historian: Ken Cox
Chaplain: Mary Jane Savage
Chaplain: Bruce Cordett
Sgt. at Arms: Ron Whitaker
Service Officer: James Thrasher
Chaplain: Mary Jane Savage
Executive Board: Becky Moore
Executive Board: Darlene Copeland
Executive Board: Retha Robbins

Member at Large: Mike McCrady

SAL

Commander: **Dennis Williamson**Vice Commander: **Roger Clough**Vice Commander: **Political Commander**Asst. Director: **Dennis Williamson**Asst. Director: **Dennis Williamson**

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

ALR

Adjutant: Bill Putman

Chaplain: "Pistol Bob" Eaton

Sgt. at Arms: Cecil Forshee

Secretary: Erica Goosby

Chaplain: Jeff "4-F" Langdon

Sgt. at Arms: James Thrasher

Historian: "Pistol Bob" Eaton Run Coordinator: Erica Goosby

March 2024 - Greater Fort Worth Post 516						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1/ Diner open 7 am to 2 pm	2/ Diner open 7 am to 2 pm 12 noon Legion Riders
					6 pm Dinner 7 pm Karaoke	Mucis
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 Pancakes
			7 pm Darts	Legion Exec Board	6 pm Dinner 7 pm Karaoke	Tour arrives 10:30 am
10/Post Closed Daylight Savings Time	11/Post Closed	12/Diner open 7 am to 2 pm	13/ Diner open 7 am to 2 pm	14/Diner open 7 am to 2 pm	15/ Diner open 7 am to 2 pm	16/ Diner open 7 am to 2 pm 12 noon
			7 pm SAL 7:30 Darts		6 pm Dinner 7 pm Karaoke	Submarine Veterans
17/ Post Closed St. Patrick's Day	18/Post Closed	19/Diner open 7 am to 2 pm	20/ Diner open 7 am to 2 pm	21/ Diner open 7 am to 2 pm 7 <i>pm Post</i>	22/ Diner open 7 am to 2 pm	23/Diner open 7 am to 2 pm
			7 pm Darts	and Unit meetings	6 pm Dinner <mark>7 pm Karaoke</mark>	
	25/ Post Closed		27/ Diner open 7 am to 2 pm	28/ Diner open 7 am to 2 pm	29/Diner open 7 am to 2 pm **3:30 pm Quilts	30/Diner open 7 am to 2 pm
31/ Easter Sunday			7 pm Darts		6 pm Dinner 7 pm Karaoke	

Be sure to check our on line schedule for the latest updates, links and more
**The Fort Worth Quilt Guild's Quilts of Valor group will be awarding Quilts of Valor
to veterans on March 29, 2024, 3:30 PM

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

Mar 1, 2 & 3 (Fri-Sun) DLC Phase I, II & III from 7 AM to 5 PM at Post 655

Mar 9, 2024 (Sat) – <u>District 12 Coffee Tour & Membership Drive</u>
Craft Fair at Benbrook Post 297 from 8 am to 4 pm

<u>Veterans Day Parade meeting</u> (10:00am) at <u>VFW Post 8235</u>

Mar 16 – American Legion Birthday

Mar 15-16 (Fri to Sat) – Mansfield; <u>The World's Only St. Paddy's Pickle Parade & Palooza</u>

Mar 29 - Quilts of Valor award ceremony at Post 516 at 3:30 pm

Post Family Events:

Every Wednesday: Blind Draw Darts 7 pm sign up, 7:30 pm start Every Friday night Karaoke at the Post 7:00 pm (food 6 to 8 pm)

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