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February 2025 Chapter, Squadron, Unit and Post 516 FAMILY Newsletter

Check out the latest events, Friday night menu and coming events on our Facebook page

This month at the Post (check Facebook for added events):

Friday, Feb 7: SAL **Fish Fry** starting at 6 pm. \$10.00

Sunday, Feb 9: Superbowl Party, Post opens at 4:30 pm, 5:30 game

Friday, Feb 14: **Valentines Dinner** at 6:00 pm Every Wednesday: Blind Draw **Darts** at 7 pm Every Friday: Dinner at 6 pm, **Karaoke** at 7 pm

Diner opens to the public from 7 am to 2 pm Tuesday to Saturday

From our Post Commander

We have now gotten through dreaded "new year" and ready to get started on the rest of our journey. The Post has remained our place to come and connect with our comrades and friends in a veteran friendly environment. Please make sure to invite your friends and family to enjoy our post family. A piece of unfortunate news has place us into a possible "crisis". The city of Ft. Worth as "won" their court case to determine whether "eight-liners" are illegal games of chance. We have been served notice that the games that we currently have to be removed by March 17th or face fines and penalties. I am still trying to assess the impact this will have on our operation, but I hope it will be minimal. If you have any ideas of possible fund-raising ideas, please share those with me or any member of the board. Remember your sweetheart or significant other on Valentines Day.

Mike McCrady

Commander Post 516

From our Post 516 Chaplain Bruce Corbett

If you need spiritual guidance Bruce is available. He can be contacted through the post or in person at 682-416-3994.

From Our Auxiliary:

Hello, Everyone,

I'm happy to say we have had a good start to 2025. Welcome to our new members, Barbara Frazier and Donna Kay Morris. Thank you for choosing Unit 516.

We will begin hosting Taco Tuesday on the second Tuesday of each month. Our first will be March 11 at 7:00. We will serve Tacos and play games. Bingo cards will be \$1.00 each and prizes will be provided. I hope to see everyone there.

ALA will be sponsoring vendor shows/ swap meets on April 5, July 12, October 3 and December 6. We will provide indoor space for 1 6ft table for \$25.00. Please talk to Karen or Marsha to reserve your space.

Please plan to attend our next meeting on February 20 at 7:00 p.m. We have much to discuss and we will be celebrating all January and February birthdays.

Marsha Srader, Secretary-Treasurer

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Unit 516 Secretary/Treasurer marshagc@sbcglobal.net

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

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

<u>Legion Diner news:</u> great selections on the menu! Adrien is on board, come meet him. 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.

Historian and Hubmaster notes

We are working on a new webpage for the post family and anyone with WordPress experience or wanting to learn is invited to help out. The starting point is at www.unit516.org. If interested please contact our Post Historian, Hubmaster, Newsletter Publisher and "webmaster?"

Ken Cox (me) ken@kencox,us
Thank you in advance!

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 of 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).

--- WINNING OPORTUNITIES:

Rock island Armory 12 gage pump shot gun raffle

Tickets are \$10 each at Post 516

2024 - 2025 OFFICERS:

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

Legion

Commander: **Mike McCrady**First Vice Cmdr: **Bobby Gallant**2nd Vice Cmdr: **Adrien Camposano**

Adjutant: **Dave Etter**

Finance Officer: Darin Bell

Judge Advocate: Richard Srader

Historian: **Ken Cox**Chaplain: **Bruce Cordett**Sgt. at Arms: **Adrian Keeble**Service Officer: **James Thrasher**Member at Large: **Jasper Jones**

SAL

Commander: **Sean Looney**Vice Commander: **Thomas Brown**2nd Vice Commander: **Glen Moore**

Finance Officer: **Darin Bell** Adjutant: **Bill Putman**

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

Historian: **Ken Cox**

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ALA

Chaplain:

Director: Bill Putman

Asst. Director: "D-Man" Williamson Finance Officer: "Toothpick" Forshee Secretary: "Mailman Joe" Ackerman

Chaplain: **Jeff "4-F" Langdon**Sgt. at Arms: **Howard Barnes**Run Coordinator: **Glen Bowles**

President: Karen Lomas-Jones

Sgt. at Arms: Retha Robbins

Executive Board: **Becky Moore**Executive Board: **Karen Reddout**

Historian: Judy Shipman

Vice President: Darlene Copeland

Secretary/Treasurer: Marsha Srader

Sunday	Monday	y 2025 - Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
,						1/ Diner open 7 am to 2 pm 12 noon Legion Riders
2/ Post Closed	3/ Post Closed	4/Diner open 7 am to 2 pm	5/Diner open 7 am to 2 pm 7 pm Darts	6/Diner open 7 am to 2 pm 7 pm Executive Board	7/Diner open 7 am to 2 pm 6 pm SAL Fish Fry 7 pm Karaoke	8/Diner open 7 am to 2 pm
9/ Post Closed Open at 4:30 pm Superbowl Party	10/ Post Closed	11/Diner open 7 am to 2 pm	12/Diner open 7 am to 2 pm 7 pm SAL 7:30 Darts	13/Diner open 7 am to 2 pm	14/Diner open 7 am to 2 pm Valentines 6 pm Dinner 7 pm Karaoke	15/Diner open 7 am to 2 pm 12 noon Submarine Veterans
16/ Post Closed	17/ Post Closed	18/Diner open 7 am to 2 pm	19/Diner open 7 am to 2 pm 7 pm Darts	20/Diner open 7 am to 2 pm 7 pm Post and Unit meetings	21/Diner open 7 am to 2 pm 6 pm Dinner 7 pm Karaoke	22/Diner open 7 am to 2 pm
23/ Post Closed	24/ Post Closed	25/Diner open 7 am to 2 pm	26/Diner open 7 am to 2 pm 7 pm Darts	27/Diner open 7 am to 2 pm	28/Diner open 7 am to 2 pm 6 pm Dinner 7 pm Karaoke	

--- Current and coming special events in our District:
Feb 8 (Sat) - Veterans Day Parade meeting (11:00am) at VFW Post 8235