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April 2022 Newsletter

Month of the Military Child - Children & Youth Month (Printable copy without pictures and links will not work)

HONOR A VET

Fly a flag in Their Honor on Memorial Day, May 30th, 2022 at The American Legion Post 516, 6801 Manhattan Blvd Fort Worth TX. Purchase a Flag(s) for Thirty Five (35.00) dollars each and it will be flown from sunrise to sunset May 30th (Memorial Day). You can pick up your flag at The American Legion, 6801 Manhattan Blvd, Saturday June 4th from 7am to 5pm, or other arrangement can be made.

District 12 SPRING CONVENTION Saturday April 16, 2022

American Legion Mansfield Post 624, 2951 FM 917, Mansfield, TX 76063 The purpose of the Convention is to conduct training, plan American Legion programs, district elections and any other business.

<u>Registration and breakfast 7 to 8 AM</u>, Organization training sessions start at 9 AM, <u>Riders</u> Business Meeting is 9 to 10 AM, <u>SAL</u> Business Meeting is 10 to 11 AM, Joint Session and Lunch is 11:30 to I PM with Business Meetings starting at 1 PM

Contact the Post Commander or ALA Secretary for more details.

From our Post Commander

We all get busy. Seems like there is never enough time to do all we want to do. Sometime we get caught up in the little things and we overlook some of the more important issues. But the point is... we all are busy.

Everywhere but the Post is busy. Covid hit us really hard and we are still trying to recover. Business in the Diner and the Club is at an all time low. These are the two ways that we have to keep the door open on the Legion Post Home. Truth be told, you and your patronage is what keeps the Post open.

I know that you are busy, but please cut out a little time for us. Come eat at the Diner or gather with friends at the club room. Talk to friends and family about holding their meetings at the post. Karaoke on Friday evenings and Darts on Wednesday evenings. Any way you can, come support your American Legion.

See you at the post. David Fenn Commander

From Our Auxiliary:

A Note from ALA Secretary Marsha Srader Happy Spring!

We are looking forward to warmer weather and longer days. We will have some great weather to be out and about. Our next meeting will be Tuesday, April 5, at 7:00. We will celebrate April birthdays following our meeting. (Joyce A, Pamela M. and Mackayla M.) Please plan to join us.

Roxan and I were asked to receive donations of clothing, toiletries and hygiene products to be distributed to the women residents of Patriot House. DIVA WOW-Cowtown is a womens' outdoor sports organization and wanted to give to women veterans of Fort Worth. We are currently attempting to arrange a tour of Patriot House for DIVA WOW-Cowtown and our ALA. The group has collected several boxes of items for these women.

ALA has decorated the Post for Easter and has provided a bucket of Easter Eggs for the staff to give to all children who visit the cafe. Janice and Ken have provided additional eggs that we will fill with candy and/or treats. We will discuss how to distribute these to our neighborhood.

Five of our members have registered to attend the District 12 ALA Spring Convention in Mansfield on April 16. Please contact Roxan or Marsha if you would like to attend. *Marsha*

Hope to see you at the Post, President Roxan Faison

<u>SAL Squadron meeting</u> - 7:00 pm before darts every second Wednesday SAL (and Riders) will have meetings at the District Convention on April 22,

<u>Legion Riders meeting</u> Noon on the first Saturday. Ride following the meeting. Planning: <u>Dept. of Texas ALR State Rally (at Post 624)</u> Jun 17-19, 2022 (Fri – Sun) <u>All the details</u> - If you have any questions, please contact the ALR Chapter 624 Assistant Director, Kurt "Frenchy" Legere, his cell phone is 760-409-9268.

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. Our diner is open from 7:00 in the morning until 2 in the afternoon every day except Sunday and Monday; invite your friends. <u>All profits</u> are used for The American Legion local and Veterans programs.

Membership

Latest listing for the state shows our Post Family membership at: <u>AL</u> - 3/25/22 over 100% of our goal. Highest in our district <u>https://txlegion.org/web_reports/Membership%20Report.pdf</u> <u>ALA</u> - 3/9/22 is at 75% of goal <u>https://alatexas.org/files/Membership/2021-2022/</u> <u>SAL</u> – 3/17/22 is at 68% of goal <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: first Tuesday at 7PM 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 *Karaoke at the Post 7:00 pm every Friday night

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

2021 - 2022 OFFICERS:

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

<u>Legion</u>

Commander: David Fenn First Vice Cmdr: Chris Fenn 2nd Vice Cmdr: Erica Goosby Adjutant: Dave Etter Finance Officer: Darin Bell Judge Advocate: --Vacant--Historian: Ken Cox Chaplain: "Doc" Savage Sgt. at Arms: Adrian Keeble Service Officer: James Thrasher Member at Large: Glen Moore

SAL

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

<u>ALA</u>

Vice President: Karen Lomas Secretary: Marsha Srader Treasurer: Marsha Srader Sgt. at Arms: Corey Farrell Chaplain: Mary Jane Savage Historian: Mollie Keeble Executive Board: Polly Garner Executive Board: Becky Moore

President: Roxan Faison

ALR

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**

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1 / Diner open 7 am to 2 pm	2/ Diner open 7 am to 2 pm
					7 pm Karaoke	12 noon Legion Riders
3/ Post Closed	4/ Post Closed	5/ Diner open 7 am to 2 pm 7 pm Auxiliary Unit 516	6/ Diner open 7 am to 2 pm 7 pm Darts	7/ Diner open 7 am to 2 pm 7 pm Executive Board	 8/ Diner open 7 am to 2 pm 7 pm Karaoke 	9/ Diner open 7 am to 2 pm Pancakes
10/Post Closed	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 **see below**
17/ Post Closed EASTER SUNDAY	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 Membership meeting	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

** District 12 Spring Convention at Mansfield Post 624 Apr 16, 2022 (Sat)

--- Current and Coming events in our District:

April 2022 - Month of the Military Child - Children & Youth Month

Apr 1 (Fri) - April Fools Day Apr 5 (Tues) - Gold Star Wives Day Apr 9, 2022 (Sat) - <u>American Legion Post 624 Annual Spring Fling Poker Run</u> Apr 14 (Thurs) - Air Force Reserve Birthday Apr 15 – Purple UP! Day for military children

Apr 16, 2022 (Sat) – District 12 Spring Convention at Mansfield Post 624

Apr 17, 2022 (Sun) – Easter Sunday

Apr 23 (Sat) - Medal of Honor Parade in Gainesville starts at 10:00 a.m.

Apr 30 (Sat) - National Military Brats Day

Apr 30 (Sat) - Hops and Props 9 am to 5 pm, beer tasting from 12 to 5