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June 2022 Newsletter

Notice

ALA will temporarily meet on the First Thursday at 7. We are meeting at the same time as the AL Executive board due to rising gas prices. Next meeting will be Thurs, June 2

Legion will have a <u>Special Election</u> at the American Legion regular meeting on June 16, 2022 to fill the vacant Judge Advocate positions for the 2022-2023 year.

From our Post Commander

I have often heard that the true definition of "CRAZY" is to do the same thing and expect different results. Well, we have been crazy long enough. We keep doing the same thing and wondering why we are dying on the vine. One of the things that I hate to hear is: we have always done it this way". This way may have worked in the past, but clearly it is not working now. If we, as The American Legion, are going to survive, then there are some things that are going to have to change. We are by design a FAMILY Organization. Which means that some of you grouchy old men are going to have to put up with some kids once in a while. We are not your local neighborhood bar for old drunks to come hang out and gripe about everything. That is one thing we have got to change. We are not your local Country Club and the ones that work here do not jump at your snapping fingers or your whistle. We are here to support one another. This is your Post, but it also belongs to the one sitting next to you as well as the one you have not seen in years. If the dues are paid, then it is your Post. With that being said, don't you think it is time to get up off your duff and do something about your Post. Don't just come here to whine and cry.

I told you about one thing I hate to hear, another thing I hate to hear is "Do You Know What Y'all Need To Do". I got a better idea. Why don't you come in and show us what we need to do by doing it with us. Don't just talk the talk, Walk the Walk.

See you at the Post David Fenn Commander

From Our Auxiliary:

A Note from ALA Secretary Marsha Srader

ALA Unit 516 voted in officers at our May meeting. The following officers retained their positions for another year: Roxan Faison, President; Karen Lomas, Vice President; Marsha Srader, Secretary/Treasurer; and Mary Jane Savage, Chaplain. Two positions will have new officers: Sgt at Arms will be Erica Goosby and Historian will be Janice Cox.

Our next meeting will be Thursday, June 2, 2022, at 7:00 pm. We will be voting for our delegates who will attend the state convention in July. We will begin planning for a membership brunch with a date to be determined. I urge everyone to attend this meeting. We have several items for discussion.

Marsha

Hope to see you at the Post, President Roxan Faison

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.

Planning: <u>Dept. of Texas ALR State Rally</u> (at Post 624) 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.

<u>Legion Diner news</u> – 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. All profits are used for The American Legion local and Veterans programs.

SPECIAL EVENTS THIS MONTH

Installation of officers will be the 18th of June at 7:00 pm Graduation Party for Taylor Catherine Gallant ON June 25 from 1 to 3 pm

Membership

Latest listing for the state shows our Post Family membership at:

AL - 5/23/22 over 105% of our goal. Highest in our district

https://txlegion.org/web_reports/Membership%20Report.pdf

ALA – 5/4/22 is at 76% of goal

https://alatexas.org/files/Membership/2021-2022/

SAL – 4/22/22 is at 68% of goal

https://saltexas.org/member/detmembership2022.pdf

You can make your payment in person at Post 516, by US mail or

Online at: American Legion – American Legion Auxiliary

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

Every Friday night Karaoke at the Post 7:00 pm

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

2022 – 2023 OFFICERS ELECT:

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

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

Commander: **David Fenn** President: **Roxan Faison**First Vice Cmdr: "**Doc**" **Savage** Vice President: **Karen Lomas**

2nd Vice Cmdr: **Erica Goosby** Secretary: **Marsha Srader**

Adjutant: Dave Etter Treasurer: Marsha Srader
Finance Officer: Darin Bell Sgt. at Arms: Corey Farrell

Judge Advocate: Vacant Sgt. at Arms elect: Erica Goosby Historian: Ken Cox Chaplain: Mary Jane Savage

Chaplain: Vacant Historian: Janice Cox

Sgt. at Arms: Ron Whitaker
Service Officer: James Thrasher

Executive Board: Polly Garner
Executive Board: Becky Moore

Member at Large: **Glen Moore** Member at Large: **Adrian Keeble**

SAL ALR

Commander: **Dennis Williamson** Director: **Bill Putman**

Vice Commander: Roger Clough
Finance Officer: Bill Putman

Asst. Director: "D-Man" Williamson
Finance Officer: "Toothpick" Forshee

Adjutant: Bill Putman
Chaplain: "Pistol Bob" Eaton
Sgt. at Arms: Cecil Forshee
Historian: "Pistol Bob" Eaton
Chaplain: Jeff "4-F" Langdon
Sgt. at Arms: James Thrasher
Run Coordinator: Erica Goosby

June 2022 - 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 7 pm ALA Unit 516 Legion Exec Board	3/ Diner open 7 am to 2 pm 7 pm Karaoke	4/ Diner open 7 am to 2 pm 12 noon Legion Riders
5/ Post Closed	6/ Post Closed	7/ Diner open 7 am to 2 pm	8/ Diner open 7 am to 2 pm 7 pm Darts	9/ Diner open 7 am to 2 pm	10/ Diner open 7 am to 2 pm 7 pm Karaoke	11/ Diner open 7 am to 2 pm Pancakes
12/ Post Closed	13/ Post Closed	14/ Diner open 7 am to 2 pm Flag Day	15/ Diner open 7 am to 2 pm 7 pm SAL 7:30 Darts	16/Diner open 7 am to 2 pm 7 pm Post Membership meeting	17/ Diner open 7 am to 2 pm 7 pm Karaoke *Rally	18/ Diner open 7 am to 2 pm 12 noon Sub Vet **Instalation
19/ Post Closed Fathers Day	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 7 pm Karaoke	25/ Diner open 7 am to 2 pm *** Party
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		
Be sure to check our on line schedule for the latest updates, links and more						

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

June 2022

June 12 (Sun) - Boys State Bus Send Off at 10:00 am - Legion Rider escort to Waco

June 12-17, 2022 - Texas Boys State at the University of Texas at Austin

June 14 (Tues) – Army Birthday – Flag Day

*June 17-19 (Fri – Sun) – Dept. of Texas ALR State Rally (at Post 624)

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**June 18 (Sat) - Post 516 Installation of officers at 7:00 pm

June 19 (Sun) – Emancipation Day - Juneteenth

June 19 (3rd Sunday in June) – Fathers Day

June 19-25, 2022 – Girls State "Learn by Doing Experience"

***June 25 (Sat) – Graduation Party for Taylor Catherine Gallant from 1 to 3 pm