



American Legion Post #176
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 American Legion Auxiliary
 Unit #176
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Commander's Message

As I am writing this newsletter your American Legion remains closed. But we can see light at the end of the tunnel. American Legion San Fernando will reopen in August! When exactly and at what level depends how much more donations come in.

I would like to say thank you to everyone who has donated to the remodeling of the clubhouse. Last month I said we needed \$10,000 to finish so we can reopen. Well, we have not reached that number yet but are off to a great start! I understand not everyone can donate large sums of money and we don't expect it. However, with 200+ members we should be able to raise the funds. If you can donate a \$100 great! If not, then \$50 or even \$20. Multiply by 200+ members that same donation become large. Again, if you can please donate, we are so close to reopening. Make checks payable to The American Legion Post 176.

Our meetings have resumed at the regular times and dates. The first and third Tuesday of every month. I would like to invite all of you to return to the Legion in August. With a large member turnout, we could get so much more done for the Legion and the community in which we serve. At the first meeting on August 3rd, you will be able to enter a nearly completed clubhouse before we reopen.

Once again, it has been almost 18 months since we were last open for business. That ends this month! Have a great month, I will see you at the Post!

Post #176 Commander – Joseph Martinez

1st Vice Commander's Message

Hello Legion Members: I hope you are staying in good health. Our Post is doing good! We are into our 2022 membership, and happy to report we're off to a very good start. If you prefer, you can pay your dues on line at [American Legion.org](http://AmericanLegion.org), . Our Legion is coming along because we've had a lot of help from members and family who have really stepped up. Any and all donations are welcomed from family, friends and companies that would like to donate. Stay healthy and take care of your family. Look forward to seeing you at our next meeting.

Post #176 1st Vice Commander – Manuel Gonzalez

2nd Vice Commander's Message

Hello Fellow Legion Members: I hope everyone had a nice month of July. Well we are almost finished with the upgrade of the Clubhouse. Very soon, very soon. Thank you if you donated your time, money or anything else to our Post. This took all hands-on deck. We did this with everyone's generous help. Thanks again. We still have some work to do, but we will finish this. That is all for now - Short and sweet. Hope to see you soon. Meetings are back in the Hall. Have a wonderful month of August everyone.

Post #176 2nd Vice Commander – Jimmy Romero

President – American Legion Riders Message

MASK on MASK off..... we will just have to do whatever it takes!! Nothing going on with the Legion Riders this month. The main focus for us and our fellow Legion members is the completion of the Clubhouse. We're almost there. It has been amazing what the Post members have accomplished. The Legion community, friends and supporters have greatly contributed to make it happen. You can still help. Go on Facebook and go to our GO FUND ME and make a contribution. Until next month, Look Twice for Bicycles and Motorcycles. Keep the greasy side down.

Post # 176 President , Legion Riders – Jay Jakar

ROLL CALL! To start receiving your monthly NEWSLETTER in an EMAIL format, send your email address to: SF176VETS@gmail.com.

Patriot Bingo

The Bingo Committee held its first meeting since we had to shut down early last year. We discussed preparations for our grand reopening. We will gladly accept any decorations such as balloons, banners and other patriotic themed items, that can be used to help us celebrate our long-awaited reopening. We also covered topics such as ordering bingo supplies, arranging advertising, and providing security for our bingo games. Thanks to the Auxiliary, the committee also welcomed two new members.

Bingo Manager, Bob Woodford

Auxiliary President's Message

Hope everyone is doing well. We are planning on having a garage sale sometime in the next 2 months. More information to follow. Please hold on to items that you may want to donate for our fundraiser. We are hoping to start our meetings again once our Post reopens. I know we are all anxious to see each other, and to begin our fundraising for our veterans again. As you know, our Post is under construction and is in need of funds. Our Unit gave them a donation last month. If you are able to donate please mail your check to their P.O. Box 176. Your kind donation will be gladly appreciated. Please save the date Sept. 25th, 2021 for Relay for Life for across the greater Valley to be held at Valley College. Please check the website for more information. www.relayforlife.org/ratgvca. There will be no District Meeting this month.

Please be safe out there. Please feel free to contact me if you have any concerns 818 365 8892.

God Bless America

Unit 176 Auxiliary President – Hila Estrada

Auxiliary 1st Vice President's Message

Hello Auxiliary Members: I pray that you and your family are in good health. Things are slowly getting back to normal, and it looks like the American Legion Post will open this year. Can't wait to be able to have our meetings again.

Thank you to all our members who have paid their dues. New dues for 2021/2022 started in July. A few members have paid, and I will send your 2022 cards out as soon as I receive them from District. Until we meet again, stay safe.

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*Dues: Sr. \$33.00
Jr. \$15.00*

Unit 176 Auxiliary 1st Vice President – Antonette Valdez

Hall Manager's Report

Although the Post remains closed, we are still "Penciling In" reservations for 2021-2022 in anticipation of our REOPEN. Please call me if you have any questions at 818 720-6343. Thank you.

Post 176 Hall Manager – Noreen Healey