GIONE	American Legion Post #176 And American Legion Auxiliary Unit #176 <u>JUNE 2021</u> 602 Pico Street San Fernando, CA 91340 (818) 361-4621 (Club House)		CONTRACTOR OF THE STATE
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1 <sup>st</sup> Vice Commander: Manuel Gonzalez		Asst. Sergeant At Arms: Emiliano Magdaleno	
2 <sup>nd</sup> Vicw Commander: Jimmy Romero		Chaplain: Tony Olea	
Adjutant: Gary Kiser		Directors: Nick Frontuto, Robert Noriega,	
Asst. Adjutant:		Jay Jakar	
Finance Officer: Robert Woodford		Club House Manager: Elsa Silva	
Judge Advocate: Ed Moore			
Past Commander: "Monie" Magdaleno		Hall Manager: Noreen Healey (818) 720-6343	

### Commander's Message

Let's get straight to the point! We need your financial assistance to complete our remodel of the legion. We have a tentative reopen date of July 15<sup>th</sup>, however, in order to make that date we need your help! We need monetary donations to complete the upgrade. We also need funds to restock the bar. We need funds to get caught up on our bills. I know for a lot of us these are financially difficult times and the American Legion is no different. Whatever you can help with would be greatly appreciated. Auxiliary, Boosters, Legion riders, Young Marines, Marine Corps League we need everyone to participate in the reopening.

This month we hope on having some type of fundraisers to raise funds for the reopening. Any questions or concerns please email me at <u>commander@americanlegionsfpost176.org</u> Thank you to everyone who has donated. Some people have donated funds, some people have donated their labor and expertise, some people have donated materials, some people have donated just simply by spreading the word or putting us in contact with people that can help. For that we are grateful! It's going to take everyone of us doing a little extra to keep us going for another 100 years.

Stay safe and have a great month. I will see you at the post!

Post #176 Commander – Joseph Martinez

# 1<sup>st</sup> Vice Commander's Message

Hello Legion Members: I hope you are staying in good health. We are doing good in our membership so keep the renewals coming in. Remember, you can also go on line to renew your membership. Just go to <u>American Legion. org.</u>

I haven't been able to log into the website to see who has paid, but once I do, I will send your card out. Looking forward to seeing everyone soon. Thank you.

Post #176 1<sup>st</sup> Vice Commander – Manuel Gonzalez 2nd Vice Commander's Message

Hello Fellow Legion Members: I hope everyone had a wonderful month of May. No events for our Post yet. We're getting closer to completing the Clubhouse upgrade. We are still in pandemic mode. Things should change soon. Remember that we always accept donations. Any amount. We will make it happen again at our Post. Well, that's all for now my friends. Hope to see you soon at our next General meeting.

Post 176 2nd Vice Commander - Jimmy Romero

### President – American Legion Riders Message

Not much again to report for the Legion Riders. Things are opening back up so we expect to be back up and running soon. I want to ask again that you do whatever you can to support the Post in this time of need. The remodeling is coming along, and we are starting to see the results of all that hard work and support from you The Legion is a WE organization. It only exists because WE support it. We need your help and support however you can. One way is this Newsletter. Do you have an EMAIL? If you do, you can receive this Newsletter in your Email and save the Post the cost of printing and mailing your Newsletter to you. Stay safe out there. Look twice for Bicycles and Motorcycles. Keep the greasy side down!

Post # 176 President, Legion Riders – Jay Jakar

Patriot Bingo

It finally looks like the pandemic is fading and things are starting to reopen throughout the county and state. So we are preparing to put things together to restart our bingo games at the post. With that in mind we are desperately looking for volunteers to help when we get things rolling again. The bingo committee needs your help. Volunteers must be members in good standing of the post or the auxiliary. We are aware that some members would not be able to help each and every week, however we will gladly accept anyone who is willing and able to volunteer whenever they are available. So come out and join our committee and support our veterans and the local community. Anyone interested in joining this exciting activity at our post, please contact Bob Woodford at 818 894-4246.

Bingo Manager, Bob Woodford

### Auxiliary President's Message

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

Congratulations are in order for our new officers for 2021-2022:

President	Hila Estrada
1 <sup>st</sup> Vice President	Antonette Valdez
Secretary	Carmen Cordero
Treasurer	Margaret Rios
Sgt. At Arms	Tordy Magdaleno
Marshall	Sylvia Suarez
Chaplain	Patricia Rodriguez

Thank you to all our members who have paid their dues. New dues for 2021-2022 will be in July. A few members have paid, and your cards for 2022 will be mailed out as they are received from District.

Our "Poppy" distribution in May was very successful. Along with honoring our Veterans on Memorial Day, our members distributed the Poppies to Veteran family members as well as friends and neighbors and in remembrance of the many Veterans that have passed. Some of our members collected donations for the poppies at a few functions. Thank you ladies for all your hard work in honoring our Veterans. Remember: It's our job "to preserve the memories and incidents of our associations in all wars", as stated in our Preamble.

District News: Hila will be attending Convention on June 24 – June 27 via ZOOM this year. That should be interesting and she will share highlights of the convention with us in a future newsletter.

Congratulations and Good Luck to Jackie Landan our new District President for 2021-2022. Jackie is from Post 311, Antelope Valley and starts her new position in July 2021.

Until we meet again, stay safe!

Unit 176 Auxiliary President – Antonette Valdez and Unit 176 Past President – Hila Estrada

## Hall Manager's Report

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

Post 176 Hall Manager – Noreen Healey

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ROLL CALL!!

WE HAVE HAD RESPONSE!! LET'S KEEP IT GOING!!

In an effort to bring our MEMBERSHIP ROLLS up to date and save some costs, we need your help and cooperation. Each NEWSLETTER cost the Post 50 cents. We can now send out the NEWSLETTER to you in an EMAIL format. Instead of the mail at 50 cents, we can send it to you in an EMAIL at no cost. To start receiving your monthly NEWSLETTER in an EMAIL format, send us an email to: <u>SF176VETS@gmail.com</u>. On the subject line type your name and YES, NO or STOP. If you type YES you will start receiving your monthly NEWSLETTER in your EMAIL. If you type NO you will continue getting your NEWSLETTER by regular mail. If you type STOP we will stop sending you the monthly NEWSLETTER. We thank you for help and cooperation.