



American Legion Post #176  
 And  
 American Legion Auxiliary  
 Unit #176  
**NOVEMBER 2020**  
 602 Pico Street  
 San Fernando, CA 91340  
 (818) 361-4621 (Club House)



<i>Post Commander: Joseph Martinez</i>	<i>Sergeant At Arms: Kevin Valdez</i>
<i>1<sup>st</sup> Vice Commander: Manuel Gonzalez</i>	<i>Asst. Sergeant At Arms: Emiliano Magdaleno</i>
<i>2<sup>nd</sup> Vice Commander: Jimmy Romero</i>	<i>Chaplain: Tony Olea</i>
<i>Adjutant: Gary Kiser</i> <i>Asst. Adjutant:</i> <i>Finance Officer: Robert Woodford</i> <i>Judge Advocate: Ed Moore</i> <i>Past Commander: "Monie" Magdaleno</i>	<i>Directors: Nick Frontuto, Robert Noriega,</i> <i>Jay Jakar</i> <i>Club House Manager: Elsa Silva</i> <i>Hall Manager: Noreen Healey (818) 720-6343</i>

***Commander's Message***

***Wishing you a Happy Safe Thanksgiving***

*My Fellow Legionnaires: Welcome to November! So as most of you are still aware, the Legion remains closed. We are still undergoing our remodel and are in desperate need of more donations. If you can please donate either through our Go Fund Me account or send a donation directly to our Post. All checks should be made out to American Legion San Fernando Post 176. And, for all of you who have donated and continue to donate, thank you very much. It is greatly appreciated.*

*This year our Post will not be used as a voting location. The criteria has changed and our location is now unable to accommodate this year. As soon as we are able to have general meetings, we will. As for now we only have one Board Meeting a month that is the 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday of every month. American Legion San Fernando Post 176 WILL REOPEN. But not until we are done with the remodeling and the guidelines are lessened. Any questions or concerns, you can reach me at commander@americanlegionsfpost176.org.*

*Obviously, all advanced scheduled rentals have been cancelled or rescheduled until next year. That means no Veterans Day, no Early Bird Dinner and no Childrens Christmas Party. Once again, let me just say, this has been a very difficult year for all, not just the Legion, but for every man and woman in this country. Look out for one another during this holiday season and remember the Legion will reopen as soon as we can. Stay safe and have a great month.*

*Our monthly newsletter is now included in our Post website:*

*AmericanLegionSFPost176.org*

*I would again like to ask all members that can read the newsletter on the website, to please do so. This is needed to help cut costs of printing and postage for the Post. If you will be making this change, please email Margaret Rios at [riosm1@verizon.net](mailto:riosm1@verizon.net) and let her know so she can note the change. Thank you!*

***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. Keep the renewals coming in. You can also go on line to renew your membership. Just go to [American Legion. org.](http://AmericanLegion.org)*

*Our Clubhouse is getting a much needed face lift, but we need help in buying material so get the word out to family and friends to come by the legion to help us. We have started a GO-FUND ME Account that you can donate to. Any donation will help.*

*Stay healthy, and I look forward to seeing everyone soon!*

***Post #176 1<sup>st</sup> Vice Commander – Manuel Gonzalez***

### ***2nd Vice Commander's Message***

*Hello Fellow Legion Members: I hope everyone had a nice month of October. As we approach the Holiday season during this pandemic, we must keep in mind that everyone's support is needed during these not so easy times. Our Clubhouse is still going through a facelift. All member support and donations are highly appreciated. Only you and I can make it happen. We will continue being a functionable Post. Thanks for all your support. Have a great month of November. Stay healthy and safe. See everyone at our next General Meeting.*

***Post 176 2nd Vice Commander - Jimmy Romero***

### ***President – American Legion Riders Message***

*The Post 176 Legion Riders are alive and well. There is nothing to report. There IS a need for YOU to stay involved with our Post. This lockdown won't be forever. Very soon the Post will again become a part of our daily community. We have had great support in our Post remodeling. The S.F. Social Club Alliance (people you all know) Fund Raiser was a great success and their donation to the Post will go a long way in helping with the remodel. We have community support. That support is for you. The Veterans!! Stay involved, keep up with what is going on at the Post. As always, look twice for Bicycles and Motorcycles and keep the greasy side down.*

***Post # 176 President , Legion Riders – Jay Jakar***

***Patriot Bingo***

***To our members and families of Post 176.***

***This past week we were contacted by Cactus Bingo, the company that provides the bingo cards and other forms that we use for various games, at our bingo sessions. Their rep advised us that some of the other venues are offering bingo in various forms:***

- 1. Bingo outside with social distancing, tables having a limited number of players***
- 2. Bingo using the drive-in format, with players participating from their vehicles***
- 3. Virtual bingo using Zoom or other online formats.***

***The first two options would not appeal to our situation because we would have to move tables and chairs outside, which would be an enormous chore for our committee members. We would be able to consider Virtual or Online Bingo. Which would require players to have internet access and an email address so they would be able to receive a link to log in to the sessions. We would like to know if our players would be interested in participating in an online format. If you are interested in playing from the comfort of your own home or any location of your choosing, please complete the survey below and mail it to:***

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***Bob Woodford, 15300 Devonshire St., #15, Mission Hills, CA 91345.***

**I (can) (cannot) play Online Bingo**

**I would be interested in playing Online Bingo (Y) (N)**

**I would be like to play on \_\_\_\_\_ (which day of the week)**

**I would like to play from \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_ (which times)**

**Thank you for taking the time to complete the survey.**

**The Bing Committee**

**Take care,**

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***Bob Woodford, Bingo Manager***

***Auxiliary President's Message***

***Hello Auxiliary Members: Your Auxiliary officers are working behind the scenes and are on standby for the ok to have our monthly meetings. We will keep you updated with any new information.***

***If you have not paid your dues, please do so now. Our Veterans and Auxiliary District Dept.***

*need your support. Pay online or send a check to:*

*ALA  
PO Box 1228  
San Fernando, CA 91341*

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

*Until we meet again, Health and Happiness!*

*Unit #176 Auxiliary President – Antonette Valdez*

### *Hall Manager's Report*

*Until further notice, due to the Corona Virus pandemic, we are not renting out the Hall and will reopen when we receive the approval to do so.*

*Hall Rental is yet to be determined based on the guidelines we receive. However, we are "pencil in" reservation dates for 2021 and will finalize as soon as we receive approval. If you've already booked for later in the year and would like to change your date to next year, please call me to discuss.*

*Noreen Healey 818 720-6343. Thank You!*

*Post 176 Hall Manager – Noreen Healey*