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Veterans helping one another as well as the local community, state and nation. That's the mission of The American Legion. William M. Randolph Post 593 takes this mission seriously. After more than 40 years of service to others, they're asking for help from the community. "Post 593 needs a new Post Home to better serve not only our retired and disabled veterans, but our active duty troops and local community as well. The community needs a modern hall that can hold 300-400 people that's available to use for weddings, retirements, or any other reason. Quite frankly, we've outgrown our current facility. To make matters worse, our current facility is in need of some major repairs and it wouldn't make economic sense to repair it. The only problem is we don't have the funds to build one," Post Commander Jack Leanhart reports. "This is what has inspired our Legion Jubilee. We thought we'd hold a huge community out-reach program and have fun doing it."

To help raise funds to continue our legacy of community service, Post 593 is preparing to hold the third annual Spring Jubilee May 28-30 at Converse City Park. There will be carnival rides and games over the three-day period, bands every night, blood mobile, Arts and Crafts booths, a horseshoe tournament, food booths, face painting, martial arts and gymnastics demonstrations, car and motorcycle shows, a motorcycle run, a Fire Department demonstration, a K-9 demonstration by the Police Department, plus

a whole lot more. Even the mayor of Converse, Al Suarez, is participating. In addition to formally opening the Jubilee, he'll be the Grand Marshal for our parade. On Saturday, May 29, at 10 AM, the Jubilee will formally kick off with a parade in downtown Converse, TX.

Post Chaplain and Jubilee organizer Dennis Ducharme encourages the community to come out in force to support the Legion in its mission of service. "We have a history of service to our community. We do a lot of good things on a regular basis, but unfortunately, we don't do a very good job of promoting ourselves," Chaplain Ducharme said. "For years our Post has sponsored scholarships for high school students, sent high school juniors to Boys and Girls state where they spend a full week learning about our state government, helped veterans at the VA hospital and wounded soldiers at Brook Army Medical Center, participated in community events, sponsored holiday food and gift baskets, provided manpower to community service projects, sponsored a Boy Scout troop, sponsored high school oratorical contests, provided over ninety-thousand dollars over the last four years for scholarships to children who have lost a parent to the war on terrorism, and a whole lot more. We're active and we make a difference in folk's lives."

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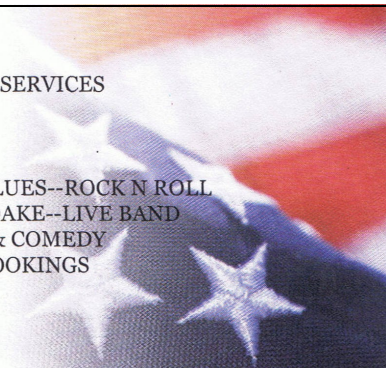
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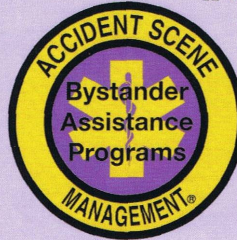
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FRIDAY, MAY 28TH: 4 PM – MIDNIGHT

- CARNIVAL, 4 PM – CLOSING
- LIVE ENTERTAINMENT, 4 PM – 12 AM, CLASSIC ROCK NIGHT
- FOOD BOOTHS, 4 PM – 11 PM
- ARTS & CRAFTS BOOTHS, 4 PM – 11 PM

SATURDAY, MAY 29TH: 4 PM – 1 AM

- CARNIVAL, NOON – CLOSING
- LIVE ENTERTAINMENT, 1 PM – 12 AM, TEJANO & COUNTRY NIGHT
- ARTS & CRAFTS BOOTHS, OPEN AT 10 AM
- CHILDREN FINGERPRINTING BY CONVERSE P.D., 11 AM – 2 PM
- CONVERSE PET SHELTER, 10 AM – 6 PM
- BLOOD MOBILE, 11 AM – 5 PM
- FOOD BOOTHS, 11 AM – 11 PM
- SILENT AUCTION BIDS / RAFFLE TICKETS ON SALE, 11 AM – 6 PM
- MOTORCYCLE RUN, FIRST BIKE OUT AT 11 AM
- DUNKING BOOTH, NOON – 5 PM
- OPENING CEREMONY, 1 PM – 1:15 PM
- POLICE K-9 DEMONSTRATION, 1:15 PM
- AMY'S ALLSTAR DANCE STUDIO DEMONSTRATION, 2 PM
- ABEL'S MARTIAL ARTS DEMONSTRATION, 3 PM
- MOTORCYCLE RUN, LAST BIKE IN 4:30 PM
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CALENDAR



SUNDAY, MAY 30TH: NOON – 6 PM

- CHILI AND BEAN COOK OFF, REGISTRATION BEGINS AT 7:30 AM
- CARNIVAL, NOON – CLOSING
- LIVE ENTERTAINMENT, NOON – 5 PM
- CAR SHOW, REGISTRATION FROM 9 AM – 12 PM
- FOOD BOOTHS, NOON – 5 PM
- CONVERSE PET SHELTER, NOON – 5 PM
- ARTS & CRAFTS BOOTHS, NOON – 6 PM
- FACE PAINTING, NOON – 4 PM
- DUNKING BOOTH, NOON – 4 PM
- HORSESHOE TOURNAMENT, STARTS 1 PM
- SQUARE DANCE DEMONSTRATION, 2 PM
- CHILI AND BEAN COOK OFF, TURN-IN AT 2:30 PM
- CHILI AND BEAN COOK OFF, AWARDS AT 4 PM
- CAR SHOW AWARDS, 4:30 PM
- FIRE DEPARTMENT DEMONSTRATION, 4:45 PM
- FLAG RETIREMENT CEREMONY, 5:15 PM
- “WHAT MEMORIAL DAY MEANS TO ME” ESSAY CONTEST AWARDS, 5:30 PM
- CLOSING CEREMONY, 5:40 PM

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THE AMERICAN LEGION WILLIAM M. RANDOLPH, POST 593 A B R I E F H I S T O R Y

The idea for Post 593 began in 1968 after the 11 fledgling members met at Otts Barbeque in Universal City and culminated in a temporary charter being granted on January 22, 1969. The first acting Commander was Earl Grover. The first meeting was held at the Universal City Aero Realty office.

In March, 1969, Mrs. Randolph, the widow of the late William M. Randolph, was asked if the post could be named in his memory. Mrs. Randolph agreed.

The first members of the American Legion Post #593 were always aware of the growth restrictions placed on them by the size of the first Post Home, their original meeting place. During the Executive Meeting on April 7, 1971, the executive board agreed that a real-property committee be formed to search for a suitable location.

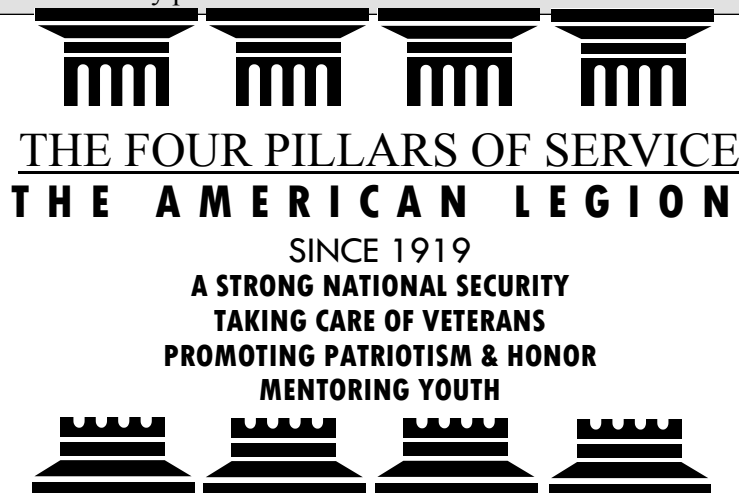
In March, 1972, the executive board announced to the general membership meeting that the American Legion Post was on the move. Negotiations were under way to purchase a new Post Home in Converse, TX. The property was a 4-year-old brick structure with 2400 square foot on 1.43 acres of land. The land was located on Legion Drive in Converse. The structure was formerly the Church of God of Cleveland, Tennessee. With the move, there was plenty of room to grow and expand. The building chairman, Mr. Loren Elbel, supervised the structure's remodeling. The legion post was occupied in July 1972.

Several renovations have occurred throughout the years. Our lounge/dining area was completed in October 1999. We are now at over 800 members strong.

We still do the barbecues and participate in parades as in years past. Today, we are engaged in many veteran activities including visits to the Audie L. Murphy VA Hospital, Soldiers Family Assistance Center (SFAC), Lonesome Dove, Nursing Home Visitation, Legacy Scholarship Program, Fisher House, Operation Wounded Warrior and Patriot Guard Missions. And we participate in the local community by sending high school students to Boys and Girls State, sponsoring Oratorical Contests, Junior ROTC, Boy Scouts, Flag Program, Food Baskets for the Needy, Scholarships, Adopt-a-Highway program, Clothing Donations, recycling program, and providing parks and recreation assistance and meeting space for the local community. Among other services, the American Legion Riders of Post 593 are actively involved in raising funds for the American Legion Legacy Fund, a program designed to provide scholarships for the children of veterans who are killed in action. The last four years, our Legion gave the largest single donation of any post in the nation.



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