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Commander's Corner



I love this time of year, Texas Wildflowers are blooming, the kids are getting excited about school being out, people tend to have a better attitude, Easter is around the corner, Fiesta is only a week away.... A Lot of people also take this time for personal

reflection, many participate in Lent and fasting, many rejoice in the new season, many find time to clean out closets and garages, no matter what you are doing,I hope you truly are enjoying this beautiful time of year.

Since our hearts tend to be more giving in the Spring, OUR post is doing a couple drives and events to assist some of our veterans, their families and our community.

First of all we are collecting for the Converse Animal Shelter and for a local Rescue/Foster home. There is a list of items included in the electronic newsletter, or you can contact Ken Rodd and he will give you the list. (Some items needed are fleece blankets, leashes, towels, plastic bags) If you bring your donation to the post you will be given a chance in a drawing for a prize.

Secondly, we are looking for people that can give a few hours a week (through the Spring and summer) helping

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Auxiliary News



Spring has Sprung and we have many projects to do and seeds to plant. The Children's Easter party is being led by Robin Alva. If you have candy to donate, please reach out to Robin robinealva@outlook.com. The Easter party signup sheets are in the hall so let your friends and neighbors know about the Easter Egg hunt and kid's party. We are accepting donations for the Converse Animal Shelter and local foster parents. A donation will earn you a prize! Thank you to Michelle Muth and Candy Zavala for hos-

ing the Margaritas and Fajita night on March 27th to raise some extra funds for the girls heading to Girl's State from Auxiliary 593. We are right around the corner from election time! If you have ever wanted to do a little more, this is a great opportunity. The board is a wonderful way to be involved, give back, support your community, and move the Auxiliary forward. This wonderful organization is dependent on YOU our members. Spring convention is right around the corner so please send me your services hours aux593@gmail.com.

Open your hearts in prayer for our members that are in need. Reach out to your neighbors and friends and be of assistance when they are in need. We are each other's keepers...

If you, a veteran, a veteran's spouse or someone in our community is in need of things, reach out to myself or Chris Reed. We will be getting some folks together to help out those in need. That's the legion family way

Paula Johnson ALA President Unit 593 (Continued from page 1)

local veterans with simple yard work, home tasks or errands. This is a new Post effort so we are going to try to put together a small task force to assist with these needs. If you are willing and able to assist in this effort, please email me or call the post and leave your information. If you have working lawn equipment that you are no longer using, small tools, painting items, etc... we would gladly take them as well. If you are one of our members in need of assistance please keep in mind that we are a small group and are limited on what we can do, but we will do our best to help. Please email me your information and what you need (lawn care, grocery shopping, ride to dr, etc...) and we will see what we can do to assist.

Finally, We are also going to stuff Easter bags with items for some of our patients from Audie Murphy VA hospital, we need t-shirts, socks, magazines, puzzles, sugar free candy and quarters. We need these items dropped off by noon on April 11th. We will have the patients out to visit on Friday the 12th for Chicken Fried Steak Dinner. Additional Easter bags and items will be distributed to other Audie Murphy Patients that are unable to attend.

The National Commander implemented a buddy check system that we should be using to check on our members that we haven't seen or heard from in a while, and although this is a good idea, we don't always have the most current email and phone number information, so please ensure you keep us updated with your contact information. We have called and emailed numerous members and have not had any response, if you receive the email, please respond so we know our information is correct. I truly do hope that if you live locally and have not stopped by your post recently, you will do so or at least call or email and let us know you are doing well or if we can help you.

Nomination books go out on April 1st and will be at the Canteen until April 30th, if you want to run for office or you want to nominate someone it must be done prior to the books being closed on April 30th or at the General Membership meeting in May. The nominees must accept or decline and initial the nomination, all candidates that did not initial or that are being nominated from the floor and plan on accepting, must be present at the May membership meeting on Wed the 1st.

As always, it is an honor to work with such a great organization and I am looking forward to seeing you all around for our upcoming events.

For God and Country, Veterans serving Veterans, Chrissy

SAL Corner



Spring has sprung which means Summer should be here next week. The days are longer, and we can get out and participate in more SAL and Legion activities. 593 is a very active Post and I am inviting all of you to join us for fun activities and projects that help veterans who have put it all on the line to preserve our freedom and protect our

compatriots. Your squadron needs you!

The ALR Rolling Run was a smashing success. I am very happy that SAL Chicken Fried Steak Night has been combined with the ALR Bike Night. This monthly event brings many people together and the veterans that come over from the VA Hospital really enjoy the food and camaraderie. It is a privilege to serve them dinner and be in their presence.

Membership, membership, membership! Your squadron exceeded the goal of 100% membership before the deadline. Every member of the squadron has a hand in this success story. Your dedication, motivation and hard work inspire those who have not joined to want to be part of such a wonderful organization. Thank you to each of you. Now go recruit a new member. Let's blow next year's membership drive out of the water.

Election day for SAL officers is quickly approaching. The nomination book will be available in April. If you are nominated for a position, please consider accepting and running for the position. Your hard work and fresh ideas will be most welcomed and appreciated. If you don't have the inclination to hold an office, please nominate someone you believe will do a good job for your squadron. It's just as important that you cast your vote in June.

Let us continue to pray and keep in our thoughts those members who are afflicted with illness or disease. Pay a visit, offer a hand, or just lend an ear. Any of these small gestures can go a long way toward making someone feel better. You'll feel better.

Until next time!

For God and Country, George Alva Squadron 593 Commander





Riders Report

I would like to wish everyone a Happy Easter Season. As the weather warms, lets get out into the breeze. Make sure you dust of your bike and your riding skills. Safety needs to be utmost in your mind as you get your riding legs back under you.

Thanks to everyone, Riders, Legion, Auxiliary, and SAL that came out to support our 15th Annual Rolling Run. It was another great event with great people. Special thanks to Tower Electric for their continued support with Auction prizes ever year, and to Two Brothers BBQ for their 10th year donating our lunch.

We hope to see everyone out for Bike Night, as we host our VA friends and enjoy camaraderie and some great Chicken Fried Steaks.

Our election books will be out for the month of April. Please look at what Executive Position might be a good fit for you get your name in the book. The book will be closed during our May meeting, with voting in our June meeting. It is time to step up and be a part of Our American Legion Riders.

Brad Pierce Director, ALR 593



Service Officer

The American Legion
Offers Financial
Assistance

American Legion <u>service officers</u> today are helping more than 700,000 veterans and their families, free of charge, file disability claims, benefits applications and other forms of assistance.

Meanwhile, military and veteran families with minor children at home, when struck with unexpected costs that leave them unable to pay for basic household needs, receive more than \$500,000 in emergency funding a year from The American Legion's Temporary Financial Assistance program.

Both programs depend on charitable contributions to offer the free assistance. For more information, or to make a contribution by phone, call 1-800-433-3318.

Sebastian Rodriguez Service Officer

HELP HELP HELP

OUR Converse Animal Shelter and local Rescue needs OUR help. A very simple task of bringing in some bleach, old towels, sheets or blankets (\$5 Fleece blankets are perfect), animal food, litter, leashes, your disposable plastic grocery bags or newspapers can make all the difference in the world to them. We will be setting up a donation station to accept any of these items, or cash donations to do our part for the animal shelter.







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If you have any questions please see or call Ken Rodd at 210-887-8827 or email the commander at no1clreed@gmail.com and they will assist you.

Thank you for supporting OUR community.

American Legion Post 593

April 2019

Phone: 210-658-1111



SATURDAY Looking Ahead	Texas Hold-Em 3:00PM Texas Hold 'Em First Saturday Each month 3:00PM	Heakfast Coming up in June. 8-11 am S6.00 Kids Easter Party Aemorial Day Picnic May 26	Shuffleboard Please try to come out Tournament 3:30PM Grill 4:30PM Ceremonies. 7:00PM	Shuffleboard Tournament 3:30PM Grill 4:30PM Dart Tournament 7:00PM
FRIDAY	<u> </u>	12 Chicken Fried Steak Dinner 6:-7:30PM \$8.00 Karaoke 7:30PM ALR Bike Night 6:00PM	19 Good Friday	- a -
THURSDAY	4 Dart League 7:00PM Pool League 8:00PM	11 Dart League 7:00PM Tri-City Flyers Grill open 6:00PM	18 Dart League 7:00PM Pool League 8:00PM Grill Open 6-7:15PM Burgers/Fries/Tots	18 Dart League 7:00PM Pool League 8:00PM Grill Open 6-7:15PM Burgers/Fries/Tots 25 7:00PM 7:00PM
WEDNESDAY	3 Post General Membership Mtg 7:30PM	10	77 Post Exec Mtg, 7:00 pm	ls 14
TUESDAY	2 Zumba 6:15PM ALR Exec Mtg 7:00 ALR Gen Mbr Mtg 7:30 pm	9 Zumba 6:15PM ALR Exec Mtg 7:30	76 Zumba 6:15PM SAL General Membership Mtg 7:00PM	76 Zumba 6:15PM SAL General Membership Mtg 7:00PM Zumba 6:15PM
MONDAY	7 Shuffleboard League 7:00PM April Fools Day	Shuffleboard League 7:00PM	75 Shuffleboard League 7:00PM	Shuffleboard League 7:00PM Shuffleboard League 7:00PM
SUNDAY			Jam Session 2-5PM Grill open 1:00-3:30PM	

Chicken Fried Steak Dinner



We will be hosting VA Patients from Audie Murphy VA Hospital. Please be sure to stop in the hall to visit with them.

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Eat in or take out

Time: 6:00-7:30 PM Date: April 12, 2019

Hand breaded
Chicken Fried
Steak, Mashed
Potatoes, Gravy,
choice of
Vegetable, Dinner
roll.

Karaoke and music to follow for your singing and dancing pleasure.
All for the bargain price of \$8.00 per plate.

ALR 593 Bike Nigh



April 12, 2019 1800hrs-Until

Chicken Fried Steak Dinner with the VA at 1800hrs

Reconnecting with ALR 593 Spread the Word - Bringa Friend!



A casual get together. An opportunity for fellowship and food. We will also discuss the weekend ride.

Breakfast

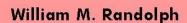
Eggs cooked to order, Omelets, Pancakes, French Toast, Bacon, Sausage, Hash Browns, Toast, Fresh Fruit, Pastries, Coffee, Juice

All you can eat for the bargain price of

\$6.00 per plate

Date: April 13, 2019

Time: 8:00-11:00 AM



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Sorry, no To-Go orders



Monthly JAMS of the San Antonio Steel Guitar
Association are held the second Sunday of the
month from 2 PM to 5 PM at American Legion
Post 593. The musical jams are free and open to
the public. Food and drink are available for sale,
and a donation can is passed to help benefit the
Warrior and Family Support Center at Fort Sam
Houston, San Antonio, Texas.

April 14, 2019 2:00-5:00PM

Grill open 1- 3:30PM

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Monthly Tournament Night Shuffleboard and Darts

Saturday, April 20, 2019



Shuffleboard Tournament signups are at 3:30PM, matches begin at 4:00PM.

\$5 buy-in, 1st and 2nd place payouts immediately and earn monthly points towards the quarterly prize payout.

Dart Tournament signups are at 7:00PM, matches begin at 7:30PM

\$5 buy-in, 1st and 2nd place payout nightly.



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Grill opens at 4:30PM



Steak Night



Date: April 26, 2019 Time: 6:00-8:00PM

Information: 210-658-1111

Eat in or take out

13 oz Ribeye, cooked to order, Baked Potato, choice of Vegetable, Salad, and Dinner rolls.

Karaoke and Music to follow for your singing and dancing pleasure.

All for the incredibly low price of \$13.00 per plate.

Come on out for a great meal, music, and fellowship.

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TUNE IN.
TURN IT UP.
ROCK OUT!
JOIN THE
POUND POSSE!

30 MINS POUND/ 20 MINS ZUMBA

TUESDAYS
AMERICAN LEGION
POST 593, CONVERSE
OPEN TO THE PUBLIC
\$5 WALK IN

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NOTICE

NO PETS ALLOWED



SERVICE ANIMALS
SPECIFICALLY TRAINED
TO AID A PERSON
WITH A DISABILITY
ARE WELCOME