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Commander's Corner



Let's get ready to Rodeo!! Can you believe how fast the time goes by, and I know as we get a little older it tends to go even faster! Looks like there is a great line up of entertainment set for the 2019 SA Rodeo. For those of you going out there, stay

warm and have fun!

I would like to thank everyone that came out to welcome our Audie Murphy Patients during Chicken Fried Steak, and I encourage anyone that can attend the 2nd Friday of the month to please come out and visit with them! And to all the volunteers, judges and cooks that made the 26th annual CASI cook-off a great success, THANK YOU. As many of you know we renamed the Saturday cook-off in honor of John Orff, for many years he kept it running and we felt it was only appropriate. Remember to please look at your calendars and see what you would like to participate in, volunteer or just come to be a part of the variety of events we do monthly.

We only have a few short months to hit our membership goals, so please ask a fellow veteran if they would like to join the greatest Veterans Service Organization in the

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Auxiliary News



As women we tend to take care of everyone else, putting ourselves last. This Valentines LOVE YOURSELF. Give yourself a massage or a ME day to relax and rejuvenate!

February, the doorway to spring! Reminder we will be having a super bowl party at the post and drawing the winning ticket for the raffle tickets. What raffle tickets? The ones we are selling for \$20 apiece to help raise money for the Converse Fire Departments Honor Guard. First place is a red, white and blue Glock 9MM special edition, 2nd place is a Wine/Liquor gift basket, and 3rd place is Gift Card.

Margaritas and Fajitas will be March 23rd, save the date! Please renew before Jan 31 to continue your elite membership for the Auxiliary unit 593. We have reached 100% but we can rock it higher. I know we can.

CASI was a HUGE success! Thank you to all that donated time, sweat, hard work and items.

Paula Johnson
ALA President Unit 593

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world! YES, the greatest! The American Legion is continually lobbying for our Veterans benefits, healthcare, retirement, education and much more. We go to local, state and national representatives to ensure our military, veterans and their families continue to get what they deserve. Please tell your friends and family so they can support also.

Looking forward to many great events coming up and hope to see some faces we haven't seen in a while!

For God and Country,
Veterans serving Veterans,
Chrissy

**Be prepared to show your
2019 Membership Card
and ID. The bartenders
will checking daily.**

Four Chaplains Ceremony February 3, 2019, 3:00PM

The Four Chaplains were four United States Army chaplains who gave their lives to save other civilian and military personnel as the troop ship SS Dorchester sank on February 3, 1943, during World War II. They helped other soldiers board lifeboats and gave up their own life jackets when the supply ran out. The chaplains joined arms, said prayers, and sang hymns as they went down with the ship.

Come join us as we honor these four brave heroes.



SAL Corner



Welcome to February, the shortest and coldest month of the year. This is also the month in which we are constantly reminded by every retailer in the country that the only way to express our love is with chocolate, diamonds, or expensive dinners. That's all very nice and romantic, but there are many other ways we can show that we care.

The SAL is an organization of male descendants of veterans, and most of us are veterans. We joined so that we could gather for fun events and fellowship, but primarily to support the mission of The American Legion and help those who need us. That help can be as simple as checking on a shut-in friend, visiting someone in the hospital, offering a ride to the grocery store, or mowing someone's lawn. When they visit our Post greet them with a big smile and a firm handshake. Make them feel welcome. Of course, that means you have to be at the Post to do that (insert wink and smile here).

The SAL is back to cooking the world's best chicken fried steak on the second Friday of each month. We are excited that the Legion Riders are going to combine their Bike Night with our Chicken Fried Steak Night from now on. Bring your big motorcycle and a big appetite because we pack a lot of food on your plate. Please join us! Bring a friend or bring a prospective new member. We even have the best karaoke singers in the world singing to the music provided by Henry Williams. Fun is had by all.

Our squadron was privileged to host the visit of Detachment Commander Jon Kingston after the mid-winter convention in Austin. A big thank you to everyone that offered their gracious hospitality and made Commander Kingston feel welcome.

Membership drive is always a priority. We need participation and fresh ideas. We need to properly relieve those sentries that have been dutifully standing watch for many years. They need a break so that they don't break.

With broken hearts and tears in our eyes we mourn the passing of Richard "Rick" White. Rick was a gentleman in every sense of the word. He exuded grace, charm, warmth, good humor, love, respect for others, and high class. He was well loved and highly respected by all who knew him. Rick could always be counted on to help wherever he was needed. No task was too great nor too small. He is now with the love of his life. May he rest in peace and may we never forget him.

For God and Country,
George Alva
Squadron 593 Commander



Riders Report

Hello Riders, Legionnaires, Auxiliary and SAL of Post 593,

We are one month into 2019 and before you know it our term as elected officers will be up. Some of us will be stepping down after two years, some of us will run for re-election regardless of what path you're on. The next five months are going to be a blur.

The major news from the Riders is the decision to move Bike Night and Grill to the second Fri of the month to coincide with the SAL's Chicken Fried Steak Night and the monthly visit by our friends at the VA. I passed this message on to the other ALRs' at our quarterly Meet and Greet, I received positive feedback on the change and anticipate increased attendance from other ALRs'.

Congratulations to the Auxiliary for a great turnout for the Annual CASI Chili Cook-off and hope we can mimic you success on 16 Mar with our 15th Annual Rollin Run. Several members of our ALR are working very hard on the State Legacy Run which is set to start on 17 Jun from Post 245 in Seguin and end on 22 Jun in Elm Mott.

I encourage all our Riders to keep an eye out for new Posts and events on our Facebook page.

Brad Pierce
Director, ALR 593



Service Officer

The American Legion Offers Financial Assistance

American Legion [service officers](#) 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



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 be passed to help benefit the Warrior and Family Support Center at Fort Sam Houston, San Antonio, Texas.



February 10, 2019
2:00-5:00PM
Grill open 1- 3:30PM
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The monthly Steel Guitar Association Jam Session

returns this month on February 10th.

Come join us for some great Western Swing music, cold drinks, great food, and fellowship.

Chicken Fried Steak Dinner

Time: 6:00-7:30 PM

Date: February 8, 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.

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**

Salt & Pepper DINER

ALR 593 Bike Night and Grill



February 8, 2019
1800hrs - Until
Chicken Fried Steak Dinner at 1800hrs



Reconnecting with ALR 593
Spread the Word - Bring a 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: February 9, 2019

Time: 8:00-11:00 AM

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**Sorry,
no To-Go orders**



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Monthly Tournament Night Shuffleboard and Darts

Saturday, February 16, 2019



Shuffleboard Tournament sign-ups 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: February 22, 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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\$3 Walk-ins

It's Zumba® Time!

Join Candy & Company

Tuesday's at 6:15 p.m.

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CandyandCo@gvec.net

Non-smoking facility

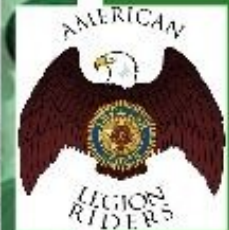
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Join the American Legion Riders

Chapter 593

326 W. Legion Dr., Converse, Tx



15th Annual

ROLLING RUN

MARCH 16, 2019

Registration Opens @ 9 AM

Safety Briefing @ 9:50 AM

Last Bike In - 3 PM

\$20 for Rider \$5 for Passenger

Breakfast Tacos @ 8:30 am

Ride-In Bike Show

Lunch Live/Silent Auction 50/50

Cash prizes to be Awarded

Proceeds to Benefit Veteran & Legion Programs



Margaritas & Fajitas!

Saturday, March 23, 2019

Time: 6 pm – 7:30 pm
(or when we run out)

Place: American Legion Post 593
326 W. Legion Dr.
Converse, TX

Price: \$8.00 per plate
Choice of Beef or chicken, rice, beans, dessert and all the fixings.

Margaritas - \$2.00

Mark your calendars for a great time! Come on out for a great meal and stay and dance the night away. **We will have a DJ at 7 pm.** All proceeds help Veteran programs.



****Hosted by the American Legion Auxiliary Unit 593****