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## Commander's Corner

**Hours of Operation** 

Saturday: 12pm — 1 am

Sunday 12pm — 10:30



Happy 100 year anniversary to the American Legion! Yes, on March 16, 1919 our journey began! What an honor to belong to this great organization that continuously works to help our military, veterans, and their families. Post 593 has been working with our community and the surrounding

area for many years.

I am happy to say recently we made a large donation to the Converse Fire Department honor guard. We have provided members to assist in grand openings for local businesses, we have supported Memorial and Veterans Day programs at our schools, churches and businesses, supported the Blue Santa program for the Converse Police Department, and provided numerous food baskets at Thanksgiving and Christmas for residents in need.

Why, because that is part of who we are and what we do. We have multiple scholarships programs for our youth, we have opportunities for local high school kids to attend special events and programs, and we have a visitation program with the Audie Murphy VA to bring long term rehab patients to us once a month and for us to go visit those that are hospitalized. We have members that make rounds to the hospital to pray for our sick and wounded. We are edu-

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## Auxiliary News



Spring is coming. It is time to shake the winter blues for the spring renewal.

March, what a wonderful month as we leave the cold dreary behind and find the warmth of spring. It's time to bloom. Let the lengthening days of spring bring forth a renewal of spirit.



March 23<sup>rd</sup> will be Fajitas and Margaritas! There will be decorations, great food, fun and Margaritas!

I want to give a shout out to Michelle Muth and the Unit of 593 for over 100% in membership.

Job well done ladies.

Paula Johnson ALA President Unit 593



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cating Women on the various programs that are available to our female veterans. This is to just name some of the reasons we are proud of our organization.

We have a lot coming up over the next few months and we really need your help and support to continue to do our good work! Visit our website at www.post593.org or our Facebook page at www.FaceBook.org/Post593 and see what is happening. Please remember it is our voices that will be heard loud and clear when legislative matters arise, so membership is imperative to keep our mission moving forward.

We will be conducting our 15th annual Rolling Run on March 16<sup>th</sup>. This is also the date of the 100 year anniversary of The American Legion. Please come out and join us for a day full of fun activities.

For God and Country,

Veterans Serving Veterans,

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### The Wall that Heals

February 28-March 3, 2019

Ft. Sam Houston National Cemetery 1520 Harry Wurzbach Rd. San Antonio, TX 78209

https://m.facebook.com/TWTHSanAntonio/



VIETNAM VETERANS MEMORIAL REPLICA & MOBILE EDUCATION CENTER



#### **SAL Corner**



How does someone or something make it to its 100<sup>th</sup> birthday? They do so with strength, courage, perseverance, faith, activity, an element of good luck and lots of blessings. This is the year that our American Legion celebrates its 100<sup>th</sup> birthday. The American Legion has reached this remarkable milestone because of its members. That means you and me and everybody that has ever recited the Preamble to the Constitution of The American Legion over the past 100 years. Wait, this article is about the Sons of The American Legion Squadron, isn't it? Yes, it is.

In only 13 years the SAL celebrates its centennial anniversary. The SAL is not some mysterious brownstone building in Indianapolis. The SAL is us! At the grassroots level we are the lifeblood of this great organization that exists to serve veterans, the military, and their families, and to honor the service and sacrifice of legionnaires. We accomplish this through membership drives and participation of the members. I am proud to announce that your squadron has reached the goal of 100% membership with 123 names on the roster! Let's extend a very special thank you to Rick Moe, Membership Chairman, for this incredible feat. I'd like to see at least half of the membership attend our monthly meetings so that decisions made for your squadron are made by the majority. Attend the meetings and put your name in the hat to become a SAL officer. Elections are in May. Your squadron needs you and your ideas.

Texas Legion College Phases I and II will take place at our Post on March 30 and 31. This is an opportunity to learn about the Legion, Auxiliary, and SAL and what it takes to keep things moving along smoothly.

Congratulations to our skeet shooting teams for bringing home the trophy for the overall year 2018 and for the 1<sup>st</sup> quarter of 2019.

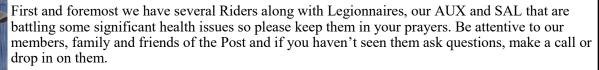
Chicken Fried Steak night went very well as usual thanks to the hard-working volunteer kitchen staff and cooks. Invite your friends and bring your family out for the worlds best chicken fried steak and the dulcet tones of the super talented karaoke singers. We want to hear you crooning from behind the microphone too.

Two of the greatest things that can be lent to us are time and good health. Our time is limited, and our health can turn on us. Stay healthy my friends and let us offer prayers and support for our Legion brothers and sisters who are bravely facing their own health challenges. Pray for Tim V, Joe F, Todd M, Jack P, Jesse P. and anyone else who can benefit from a kind word, a hug or a simple hand shake and a smile. Spring is almost here. Let's commit ourselves to better health and better living.

For God and Country,

George Alva Commander, Squadron 593





As most of you know, the Riders have moved our Bike Night to the 2<sup>nd</sup> Fri of the month which corresponds with the SAL's CFS Night and our special guests from the VA. Special thanks to Robert Comas for coordinating the Feb visit by the VA. They brought 14 guests with them. There were a dozen riders that poked their heads in during dinner to say hi and visit. I want to also say thanks to the SAL and to the rest of the Post for allowing our guests to get in and get served as quickly as they do. I know at times this is an inconvenience for others

The 15th Annual Rolling Run (16 Mar 2019) is right around the corner. This is our major fund raiser for the year and opens the Post up to other organizations from around the San Antonio area. Thanks in advance to everyone that have donated auction items, are making auction items or in some way will support the event. You are much appreciated. If you have any questions concerning the event reach out to Danny Muth for details.

GOD BLESS AMERICA!

but your patience is appreciated.

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 Assis-

tance 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

#### **TEXAS LEGION COLLEGE**

#### Phase 1 & 2 Courses

The Department of Texas is offering the Department Legion College (DLC) Phase 1 & 2 courses over a two-day period at Post 593 in the hall. We invite everyone that is interested in learning more about the Legion to attend. The courses are free. The SAL will provide lunch for free (tips appreciated.) More details and to register online go to www.txlegion.org/training/department-legion-college

#### March 30 & 31, 2019

Registration: 7:30 – 8:00 am —— Training: 8:00 am – 5:00 pm

Below are the online registration links for each course, pre-registration is required.

**Converse, Basic Course:** 

https://www.eventbrite.com/e/copy-of-dlc-basic-course-conversetickets-55862050898

**Converse, Intermediate Course:** 

https://www.eventbrite.com/e/copy-of-dlc-intermediate-courseconverse-tickets-55862072964

Or you can email your registration to: billw@txlegion.org



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		SATURDAY	2 Texas Hold-Em Tournament 3:00PM	9 Breakfast 8-11 am \$6.00	Rolling Run 9AM Shuffeboard Toumament 3:30PM Grill 4:30PM Dart Tournament 7:00PM	Fajitas and Margaritas 6-7:30PM DJ at 7PM See Flyer	30 Department Training 8AM-5PM
		FRIDAY	<b>F</b>	8 Chicken Fried Steak Dinner 6:-7:30PM \$8.00 Karaoke 7:30PM ALR Bike Night 6:00PM	15	55	29 Steak Night 6-8:00PM \$13.00 Karaoke 8PM
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	March 2019 Pho	TUESDAY	9 4 5 9 7 8 8 7 8 5 A 3	5 Zumba 6:15PM ALR Exec Mtg 7:30	72 Zumba 6:15PM ALR Gen Mbr Mtg 7:30 pm	79 Zumba 6:15PM SAL General Membership Mtg 7:00PM	26 Zumba 6:15PM
		MONDAY	March 10th 2:00AM	4	11	18	25
An		SUNDAY		ო	10 Daylight Savings Time Begins 2:00AM Jam Session 2-5PM Grill open 1:00-3:30PM		24 31 Department Training 8AM-5PM

## 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.

Information: 210-658-1111

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Eat in or take out

Time: 6:00-7:30 PM Date: March 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.

# ALR 593 Bike Night and Grill



March 8, 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: March 9, 2019

Time: 8:00-11:00 AM

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326 Legion Dr W

Converse TX 78109

Information: 210-658-1111



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.

March 10, 2019 2:00-5:00PM

Grill open 1-3:30PM

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## Join the American Legion Rider



**Chapter 593** 

326 W. Legion Dr., Converse, Tx



## 15th Ammual



## 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 50/5

Cash prizes to be Awarded

Proceeds to Benefit Veteran & Legion Programs

## Monthly Tournament Night Shuffleboard and Darts

Saturday, March 16, 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





## 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\*\*

## Steak Night



Date: March 29, 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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## TEXAS LEGION COLLEGE Phase 1 & 2 Courses



The American Legion, Department of Texas is offering the Department Legion College (DLC) Phase 1 & 2 courses over a two-day period in your area. We invite everyone who is interested in learning more about our organization to attend.

We recommend that you complete the American Legion Extension Institute Basic Course prior to attending. You should also complete the Department Legion College Phase 1 course prior to the attending the Phase 2 course.

Both courses and lunch for both days are free. Lunch is being provided free of charge by the Squadron 593 Sons. (Tips are welcomed.)

For more details and to register online, go to: https://txlegion.org/training/department-legion-college/

## March 30 & 31, 2019

Registration: 7:30 – 8:00 am Training: 8:00 am – 5:00 pm

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## Phase 1 Topics

## Phase 2 Topics

Americanism and Children & Youth programs, Leadership, Legislative Priorities, Manual of Ceremonies, Post Officers and Public Relations Administration, Officers & Committees, Writing a Resolution and How to Conduct a Meeting

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Or you can email the DLC registration form to billw@txlegion.org.

