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Commander's Corner



Another great month but let the Holidays begin. Starting in November, we may not have Steak Night or Breakfast but we will be busy in preparation and executing holiday events. This past

month, we did exceptionally well on memberships and exceeded our goals prior to the Early Bird dinner. Please keep up the great work at marketing everything we do....it does not and should not go unseen.

November brings on the start of the Holiday season. We start early in November with the UC Veterans Parade on 2 November followed by Texas Honor Ride and Operation Overpass on 9 November. Shortly after that is our 15 November Fish Fry, which is our fundraiser for Boys and Girls State, and it also serves as test-bed for future events. If the fish fry goes well and there are several requests for more in the future, we will consider doing that next calendar year. Soon after that is our Thanksgiving meal at the Legion on 28 NOV. We will be smoking one turkey, baking one, and deep frying two turkeys. There will also be ham and other side Continued on page 2

Auxiliary News



Happy Thanksgiving! I pray that all have a blessed and yummy turkey day!!

First, I would like to thank everyone that came out and paid their dues before or during the Early Bird Dinner. Please remember, our annual

goal is to always have everyone pay their renewal dues by December 31st. We really want to hit 100% and we need your help! If you know anyone that would like to be a member of the Auxiliary and are eligible, lets' get them signed up too!

We have some great events coming up at Post 593 so be sure to check out the monthly calendar, however, here are a few Auxiliary events to be sure and mark your calendars for:

Friday, November 15th – Fish Fry – this will be a joint event with the Post with all proceeds to be split between Girl's and Boy's State support. Please come out to support our Youth programs and get a great meal too!!

<u>Sunday, December 8th – Kid's Christmas Party</u> – we will have a sign-up sheet at the Post after our November meeting on the 6th. Please sign up your children/grandchildren so Santa knows they will be there.

<u>Sunday, December 22th – Senior's Dinner</u> – this is always a great time. Hope to see a great turn out again this year!!

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dishes that come from members.

This is probably the best pot luck dinner we serve each year. Finally, I want to let you know that I will be covering several December events when I post my weekly facebook comments. Events like Senior's Xmas Meal and Kids Xmas with Santa are two examples where we will be soliciting volunteers and hoping that we have a great turnout.

Additionally, we are doing baskets for needy families in the community for both Thanksgiving and Xmas. Please take some time out of your day to identify food that can be donated and drop it off at the Legion next time you stop in. Any little bit counts. Have a great November and I look forward to seeing you around our Post or posting some comments on facebook if you live outside of San Antonio area.

God Bless Our Soldiers and Veterans.

Paul (Gomer) Goymerac Post Commander

The Canteen is offering a free drink to anyone who donates \$10 (or \$10 worth of food) for the Holiday Baskets -just show the bartender your donation (or hand it to them)! We will continue to offer this until further notice.

We will also offer a free drink to everyone who donates \$10 or a \$25 WalMart gift card (yes...2 drinks for this) to the Riders as they support the Blue Santa Program. These donations are needed by Dec 12th.

Be sure to check your December newsletter for info on our fun Christmas Specials!!!

Traci Permenter Post Home Manager



It's that time of year where we assist the community in brightening their Holidays.

We are collecting cash or nonperishable food items for our Thanksgiving and Christmas baskets. Items needed are canned goods, gravy mix, stuffing, cereal, etc. Things you would need for a Holiday meal.

We try to help as many families as we can! If you are in need or know someone that is, please contact the Post so we can help you too!!

Mike Potter Service Officer

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January 17, 18 and 19th – CASI Chili Cook-Off – we are looking for gently used or new items for the silent auction – this is one of our biggest fundraisers. Please see Michelle or Sue if you have anything you would like to donate.

Until next month, respectfully yours, Sandy Vinson ALA President Unit 593



SALute

In this season of Thanksgiving, I'd like to use this column to pass on some thanks.

To everyone who supported our monthly Chicken Fried Steak dinners, our main fund raiser for youth

activities. We have one more meal for 2019 and this month we will be hosting the Converse Police Department as well as the VA.

To everyone who supported the golf tournament and of course, the folks who put the event together. It was a great day for golf an everyone enjoyed themselves

And finally, a personal thanks to everyone for their prayers and words of encouragement while my foot heals after the surgeries. It's a struggle, but I'll be up and around in no time. Thank you all.

For God and Country,

Rick Moe Squadron 593 Commander

Post 593 Achieves the 100% Team 100 Anniversary Family Ribbons

The Joint Session of the Monthly General Membership Meeting at William M. Randolph Post 593 in Converse was held on October 2, 2019. Commander Paul Goymerac, at the podium, passed out the "Team 100 American Legion Family" 100% Ribbons. Last year's SAL Squadron Commander, George Alva, Auxiliary Unit President Sandra Vinson and Rider Chapter Director Brad Pierce are in the front row with their respective ribbons while Adjutant Bill Nupp looks at the Post Flag with the affixed ribbon displayed by last year's 1st Vice Commander Daniel Riggs. Fewer than five Texas Legion Post Families qualified for the special ribbon by obtaining 100% by May 31st as a Post, Unit and/or Squadron each had to achieve 100% to qualify.



Riders Report



Greetings to all. We are on the heels and stay off the holiday season. For many this is the time we spend time with family and friends, giving thanks and counting our blessings. Fore others this is a time of loneliness. Please keep those less fortunate in you're prayers, reach ot and spread some cheer.

The riders will be collecting Walmart gift cards for the Converse Blue Santa program. We are accepting \$25 gift cards that woo ol be delivered to the Converse PD on Sat, 14 Dec. This is also the scheduled Riders Christmas Party. Please keep an eye out for more details.

I would like to extend a bid thanks to John Zimmerman for his coordination during NIOC. I want to also thank those that came out and supported NIOC parking.

God Bless

Brad Pierce Director, ALR 593

> WREATHS ACROSS AMERICA December 14, 2019

REMEMBER: Our Fallen U. S. Veterans HONOR: Those who serve TEACH: Your children the value of freedom

These are the founding principles of Wreaths Across America. From its inception in 1992 when Morrill and Karen Worcester of Harrington, Maine and owners of the Worcester Wreath Company, began this worthwhile endeavor by placing wreaths at Arlington National Cemetery. Since that year the program has grown to over 1600 locations in the United States and abroad. Fort Sam Houston Nat'l Cemetery is supported locally where there are 167,000 grave sites. The date for laying wreaths is Dec 14, 2019.

These wreaths are not free. The cost of each wreath is \$15. However, Wreaths Across America has teamed up with the Military ERG's from ACCENTURE to offer a "Buy 2, Get 1 Free" program. That is right: \$30 supports 3 wreaths instead of 2. Here are 2 ways to make a donation:

1) Online: Go to the following website:

https://www.wreathsacrossamerica.org/pages/43007/overview/?relatedId=14959 and click on the tab marked "Sponsor Wreaths". The code to claim the promotion (TX0440) will be automatically noted.

2) Stop by a donation booth on one of the following locations. Ask the attendant to clearly mark your donation with TX0440. (This signifies the partnership with ACCENTURE's Military ERGs).



<u>November</u> 2 - 3 Walmart #4055 Kitty Hawk 9 - 10 Walmart #3391 3009 & 35 16 - 17 Sam's #8264 Brooks City Base 23-24 Walmart #1347 Austin Hwy

REMEMBER......HONOR......TEACH





	SATURDAY	Parade in UC 9AM Texas Hold-Em 3:00PM	9 Texas Honor Ride Operation Overpass	5 Shuffleboard Tournament 3:30PM Grill 4:30PM Dart Tournament 7:00PM		
	FRIDAY	N 4	g Chicken Fried 9 Steak Dinner T 6:-7:30PM Op \$3.00 Karaoke 7:30PM ALR Bike Night	15 fish Fry 6-8PM \$10 Karaoke 8PM ∟	23	30
_	THURSDAY		7 Dart League 8PM Pool League 8PM	14 Dart League 8PM Pool League 8PM	21 Dart League 8PM Pool League 8PM	28 Thanksgiving Day Dinner at 2PM
	WEDNESDAY	ny the	6 Post General Membership Meeting 7:30PM	13	20 Post Exec Mtg, 7:00 pm	27
	TUESDAY	Happ	5 Pound Class 6:15PM	72 ALR Exec Mtg 7:00 ALR Gen Mbr Mtg 7:30 pm	79 SAL General Membership Mtg 7:00PM	26
	MONDAY	Jh	4 Shuffleboard League 7PM Scouts 7PM	11 Shuffleboard League 7PM Scouts 7PM Pound Class	<i>18</i> Shuffleboard League 7PM Scouts 7PM Pound Class 6:15PM	25 Shuffleboard League 7PM Scouts 7PM Pound Class 6:15PM
	SUNDAY		3 NFL Sunday Noon	10 NFL Sunday Noon	17 NFL Sunday Noon	24 NFL Sunday Noon

Looking Ahead (events subject to change)

Dec 31st

New Years Party

All meals start up again in January Book your Christmas Parties

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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

William M. Randolph Post 593 326 Legion Drive W Converse, TX 78109 Eat in or take out

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



Date: November 9, 2019





Operation Overpass 2019!! The Texas Honor Ride is back this year. We are continuing our tradition of showing our patriotism and Americanism by holding the colors of our proud nation on a few of the bridges that span Interstate 10.

If you've never done it, you're in for a real treat. The appreciation by the passing motorists cannot be explained. It truly does your heart good.

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Information: 210-658-1111

If interested, or need info, please see: Chris Reed Dave Paris Catherine McDonald Joe Falco

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Date: November 15, 2019 Time: 6:00-8:00PM POC: Paul Goymerac Paul.goymerac@gmail.com

Eat in or take out

Deep fried fish, hush puppies, fries, cole slaw, dessert

All for the incredibly low price of \$10.00 per plate.

50/50 drawing

Karaoke at 8PM

All proceeds are to sponsor our Boys State & Girls State nominees. Please come out and enjoy a great meal for a great cause.

Donations also gladly accepted for sponsorship.

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Monthly Tournament Night Shuffleboard and Darts

Saturday, November 16, 2019



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

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

Great way to spend a Saturday

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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Information-210-658-1111

Grill opens at 4:30PM



Thanksgiving Dinner



Date: November 28, 2019 Time: 2PM

Information: 210-658-1111



The Legion will be serving our traditional Thanksgiving meal, complete with baked, smoked, and deep fried turkey as well as ham. There is a sign up sheet in the Legion so we can ensure we have enough meat, and also for you to offer up your favorite sides or desserts. Come on out for great food, fellowship, and fun!

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Tune In! Turn it up! Rock Out!

Join the Pound Posse!

45 minutes of invigorating Pound workout

Weekly sessions are held each month on the 1st Tuesday, and then the 1st Monday of following weeks

6:15PM—Open to the Public

American Legion Post 593 326 Legion Dr. W Converse TX 78109



AMERICAN LEGION POST 593 26th CHILI COOKOFF

JANUARY 18TH - JOHN ORFF MEMORIAL CHILI COOKOFF JANUARY 19TH - GEORGIA HORNER MEMORIAL CHILI COOKOFF

326 W Legion Drive, Converse, TX

This fun & friendly American Legion Post will have something going on for you from the time you arrive until the time you leave as they appreciate the support CASI provides this Post

FRIDAY NIGHT - COOKS PARTY FROM 6 PM UNTIL ? SATURDAY - SOS Breakfast at 8:15 am



Bean turn in at noon. Entry fee \$10.00 Chili turn in at 2:00 PM. Entry \$22.00 Silent Auction Entertainment by Nigel in the evening

SUNDAY - Chili Turn in at 1:00 PM

SPECIAL PRIZE AWARDED ON SUNDAY TO THE CHILI COOK WITH THE MOST PONT TOTAL FROM SATURDAY & SUNDAY

RV PARKING AVAILABLE - LARGE COVERED PAVILION TO COOK UNDER







JUDGES NEEDED

JANUARY 18TH & 19TH

COME AND JUDGE SOME CHILI OR BEANS OR BOTH AT OUR ANNUAL CHILI COOKOFF.

> NO FANCY HATS REQUIRED



JUDGING TIMES Saturday Beans at noon - Chili at 2PM Sunday Chili at 1:00OM



NIGEL DELGARDO FROM HOUSTON, WILL BE PROVING MUSICAL ENTERTAINMENT FOR YOUR PLEASURE. HE HAS BEEN A HIT AT OUR POST FOR OVER 10 YEARS AT HIS ANNUAL PERFORMANCE HERE







DO YOU HAVE A FAMILY MEMBER OR FRIEND THAT HAS A SON OR DAUGHTER IN THEIR SENIOR YEAR OF HIGH SCHOOL?



If so I have college and trade school scholarship applications available. For a 4 year college it is for \$4,000.00 payable at \$1,000.00 per year. For a trade school it pays \$2000.00 payable at \$1,000.00 per year.

These scholarship are thru CHILI APPRECIATION SOCIETY INTERNATIONAL of which I am a member. It is open for application to anyone that applies .Applications must be received by 30 January.

For more information or wanting an application, email me at: dwgken@aol.com.

Ken Rodd