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Commander's Corner



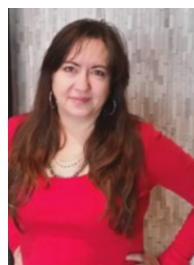
Happy October and welcome the Fall Season! Wow are we ever busy for the next few months, and we sure could use some help with all the activities happening. Thank you to all the members that

worked so hard to ensure our deck is completed. A few minor things to complete but let me tell you it looks amazing! And the kitchen is almost 100% redone, the new stove is in place and we have a few minor things to complete and we are ready to rock it!

Now we have to get moving on our membership, please renew now so you can go into the early bird dinner on October 13th, you will get a Chicken Fried Steak Dinner for \$4.00. We are just a little shy of goal, so by you renewing you will help us hit the numbers set by the state. (We hate harping on it, but just like any organization, the numbers are set from much higher ups and we are pushed to make the goal). The American Legion is one of the largest Veteran's service Organizations in the World, it is through our strength in numbers that we fight to maintain our Veterans benefits and often time get new bene-

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Auxiliary News



Yay! Fall is officially here!! Love this time of year (and yes, part of that has to do with lots of Halloween candy)!

I would like to start with thanking everyone that came out and helped or supported breakfast and steak night in September. We are so blessed to have so

many that step up to help. Thank you!!!

Please start renewing your membership of only \$25.00. Our Early Bird dinner will be Friday, October 13th and anyone who has paid their dues or pay that night will get a Chicken Fried Steak Dinner for only \$4.00. Our goal is to be at 100% by December 31st. Please help us make our goal! WE CAN DO IT!!

We have some great events coming up the rest of the year: Kid's Christmas Party, Senior's Dinner and more!! We will also start collecting used or new items for the Silent Auction at the CASI Chili Cook Off which is in January. If you have anything to donate, please let us know!

Until Next Month,

Sandy Vinson
Unit 593 President

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fits. Your \$36/year is worth all the fighting they do from locally all the way up to nationally. The link to go online and renew is <https://www.legion.org/renew>. You can do one time or repeat every year. Remember this is our last month for Breakfast and Steak night until January, so come and get it while you can. Breakfast is Oct 14th, Steak Night and Halloween party is October 27th, come on out and join us for some fun!

For God and Country,
Veterans working for veterans,

Chrissy

SAL Golf Tournament

15 October—Olympia Hills

\$65.00 Per Person

See any SAL Member to sign up!!

\$50 to sponsor a hole!

See Marcelo Buckley



SAL Corner

We had a great turnout for our September Chicken Fried Steak night. In addition to serving the VA patients, we hosted Converse's Fire and EMS personnel. Unfortunately, they got a call and had to respond to an emergency, but they seemed to enjoy the dinner. This

month we're hosting the Converse Police Department, the VA patients and it's the Early Bird Dinner. Come on out and show your support for Converse's finest!

This month we're also holding our largest fundraiser of the year: our annual SAL golf tournament. It's on Sunday, October 15th at Olympia Hills Golf Course. Cost is \$65 per person and that includes lunch back at the Post. Please consider joining us and sign up a team of 4, or if you want we might be able to add you to a team. Contact Henry Creech to sign up.

Of course, we still need door prizes or goodies for the goodie bags. If you'd like to donate, contact Marcelo Buckley. He's also looking for hole sponsors. For only \$50 you can sponsor a hole and advertise your business, give a shout out to your favorite sports team, or tell that special someone how much they mean to you.

Finally, we're holding our second SAL fishing outing on Saturday, October 21st, from 4 to 8 pm at the Converse North Park Lake. Plan on coming out and having some fun for a few hours. Bring your children, grandchildren, or significant other and show off your fishing skills. We have poles available for those that need them and we'll have bait for you to use. All we need is you! Later, the city of Converse will have movie night in the park so it'll be a great day to plan a family outing! Sign up with either Tim Vinson or Henry Creech, co-chairs

For God and Country,

Dennis Ducharme
Squadron 593 Commander



Texas Honor Ride and Operation Overpass will be on Veterans Day (Nov 11) and we will refuel bikes at Bucee's. We will need as many Riders as we can get to man the pumps. If you know of any organization that would like to cover a bridge, please have them contact Catherine McDonald.

The Post will host the yearly Early Bird Dinner during Chicken Fried Steak night, 13 Oct. If you renewed your Legion/Aux/SAL dues on or before 13 Oct, you get dinner for \$4.00. A very special Thank You to Paula and Bubba for all their hard work in the hurricane relief effort. The ALR State Rally will be held Jun 22-24, 2018!

RIDERS ROCK!

Keep Your Knees in the Breeze,

Brown

The Legionnaire Insurance Trust (LIT) program provides a "No Cost To You" *LegionCare Accidental Death* policy for all Legionnaires, senior Auxiliary members, and SAL members over the age of 21. What is "LegionCare"?

It's a \$1,000 accidental death benefit. If you are traveling on "Legion business" there is an additional \$4,000 benefit bringing the total to \$5,000. How do I apply: Go to

www.thelit.com/No-Cost-LegionCare

and answer a few simple questions. You will need your membership number. Or, call toll free to 1-800-235-6943. We use to have to re-enroll once every five years but now once enrolled you stay enrolled as long as you pay your dues.



Information Please?

The American Legion **does not** sell member information to any 3rd party vendors or sales companies. Companies that are partnered with the American Legion are the only ones with access to mailing addresses. These companies are fully vetted and are only for the good of the veteran and their family members.

2017 Membership Dues

Legionnaires: Your dues to Post 593 will be only **\$36.00 per year**. Remember you can now renew on-line at: <http://www.Legion.org/Renew>

Holiday Food Baskets The Time is Getting Close

Our Service Officer, Sebastian Rodriguez, will be placing a box in the canteen outside the office. It is time to start thinking about bringing non-perishable items down for the Holiday Food Baskets.

Post 593, annually, provides food baskets to those in the community who need a hand up. We will provide Thanksgiving and Christmas baskets. All will have a turkey... the rest will depend on our generous donations of "fixins".

When you go to get your groceries, put an extra can of beans, corn, fruit, cranberry sauce, stuffing, etc. in your basket and bring it to the Post. It goes to help those that need it most. Each of us can put a smile on somebody's face during the holidays.

Also, if you know an individual or family who needs assistance of food, let Sebastian know. We want to help and Sebastian Rodriguez is the best at making that happen!



Blue Water Veterans are not presumed to have been exposed to Agent Orange or other herbicides. Some of the open sea ships docked to the shore of Vietnam, operated in Vietnam's close coastal waters and sent smaller vessels ashore, or conducted operations on the inland waterways of Vietnam.

These Blue Water Veterans, who did not set foot in Vietnam or serve aboard ships that operated on the inland waterways of Vietnam anytime between January 9, 1962, and May 7, 1975, must show on a factual basis that they were exposed to herbicides during military service to receive disability compensation for diseases related to Agent Orange exposure. These claims are decided on a

case-by-case basis.

VA maintains an evolving list of U.S. Navy and Coast Guard ships associated with military service in Vietnam and possible exposure to Agent Orange based on military records. The latest version of the ships list can be found on VBA's "[Veterans Exposed to Agent Orange](#)" Web page.



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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
	Shuffleboard League	ALR Exec Board Meeting 7:30 pm	General Membership Meeting 7:30 pm	Dart League Pool League		
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
Jam Session with Grill 2 PM	Shuffleboard League	ALR General Membership Mtg 7:30		Tri-City Flyers Grill 6 pm Dart League Pool League	Chicken Fried Steak Night/Early Bird Dinner 6 PM	Monthly Breakfast \$6.00 8—11 am
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
SAL Golf Tournament Olympia Hills Golf Course, UC	Shuffleboard League	SAL GMM 7:00 pm	Legion Exec Meeting, 7 pm	Dart League Pool League		Shuffleboard 4pm Aux Grill 5:30pm Dart Tourney 7:15pm SAL Fishing Outing, 4—8pm
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
	Shuffleboard League			Dart League Pool League	Steak Night \$13.00 6-8 pm	
29	30		Chicken Fried Steak Night: VA patients, Converse Police Officers, Early Bird Dinner! Come out and support Converse's finest!			
	Shuffleboard League		SAL Fishing Outing: from 4 to 8 pm at Converse's North Park Lake. Fishing poles and bait will be available! All we need is you!			



Converse Police Department Appreciation and
Legion Early Bird Dinner

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326 LEGION DRIVE WEST

CONVERSE TX 78109

October 13th, 2017

MONTHLY Chicken Fried Steak Night



Serving from 6pm – 8pm (or we run out)

\$8.00 -INCLUDES ALL OF THE FOLLOWING: Hand breaded Chicken Fried Steak,
Mashed Potatoes and Gravy, Corn or Green beans and roll. Dessert will be
available in October!!

All early bird members will receive your dinner for \$4.00



THE AMERICAN LEGION FAMILY

We always have our residents from Audie Murphy
Hospital, that are cleared to travel and capable for dinner.
There is a nurse present and we enjoy treating them to
dinner. Please stop by and say hello!

(Next Chicken Fried Steak Night is January 12, 2018))



AMERICAN LEGION POST 593

326 LEGION DRIVE WEST

CONVERSE TX 78109

October 14, 2017

MONTHLY BREAKFAST



2ND SATURDAY OF THE MONTH FROM JANUARY – OCTOBER.

SERVING FROM 8AM-11AM (OR WE RUN OUT)

\$6.00 ALL YOU CAN EAT

(NO CARRY OUT ORDERS PLEASE)

INCLUDES ALL OF THE FOLLOWING: EGGS TO ORDER, 
PANCAKES, FRENCH TOAST, HASH BROWNS, SAUSAGE,



BACON, BISCUITS, GRAVY, COFFEE AND ORANGE JUICE.

OCCASSIONALLY FRUIT AND PASTRIES ARE AVAILABLE.



(Next breakfast January 13, 2018- price will be \$7.00)

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Monthly Shuffleboard and Dart Tournament

October 21st



SHUFFLEBOARD SIGN UP STARTS AT 3:30

PLAY STARTS AT 4PM - \$5 blind draw

Everyone is awarded points for playing, top two teams paid monthly, top player for three months gets prize (all levels can play any month) 50/50 Drawing every month!



DARTS SIGN UP STARTS AT 7PM

PLAY STARTS AT 7:30PM

\$5 Blind Draw – additional money added

Normally will play additional games (cricket)

All skill levels welcome

Additional chances at \$\$\$

Kitchen normally open from 5-7pm

If not snacks are provided

6 TV's, internet Juke Box, great drink prices and lots of fun.

Come out and try to win some money while giving your support to your Veterans.

The American Legion is one of the largest veteran's service organizations that fight WORLD wide for Veterans benefits and benefits for their families. Please come and support your local post!



**CAN LEGION FAMILY
AMERICAN LEGION POST 593**

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October 27th, 2017



MONTHLY Steak Night and Karaoke

Last Friday of the month from January - October.

Serving from 6pm – 8pm (or we run out) Singing starts around 7:30pm

**\$13.00 -INCLUDES ALL OF THE FOLLOWING: 12-14 oz Ribeye,
Baked Potato (with all the fixings), Vegetable (corn or green
beans) salad and roll**

THE AMERICAN LEGION FAMILY



(Next Steak Night is January 26, 2018)