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Commander's Corner



A reminder: Please be cautious as school is back in session, keep your eyes open for the kid-dos, slow down and put your phone down, IT CAN WAIT!!

Thank you all that helped with the School supply drive, we made a lot of teachers and parents very happy. Breakfast,

Chicken Fried Steak night, Riders Grill and Steak night dinners are always a great success, you can pick anyone of those times to come and have a great meal at a great price, or volunteer, look at the attached calendar for details.

We will be holding a flag disposal ceremony on Sunday September 2nd at 1:30pm, if you have not been out to see the respectful ceremony that is done by Veterans Service Organizations, please come out. It is only about a 20 minute ceremony and then we will be having a pot luck dinner and Labor Day celebration. This is a great day to come out and see what is happening in your legion, pay your dues so you get your free Chicken Fried Steak Dinner in October, and let us know how you are doing. We are starting a membership contest, for any

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Auxiliary News



September always gets me thinking about fall. Autumn starts on September 22, the season between the heat of summer and cool of winter. "Life starts all over again when it gets crisp in the fall."- F. Scott Fitzgerald

Reminder that Fall DEC is September 21-23. Join the fun and educational opportunities at the Omni Austin at South park.

Don't forget to get your dues paid if you have not already. The early bird dinner will be the October Chicken Fried Steak night and it's free for those that have paid their membership dues. While we are on the subject of membership, get out and get your neighbors, friends and coworkers to join. This is military country and what better way to show your pride than to talk up your Unit 593 Auxiliary and all our accomplishments. Did you know that on a national level the Auxiliary has over 15.5 MILLION hours of outreach service annually for veterans and military families? This is why we need all of us to grow our Auxiliary. Miss Marissa has been busy reaching out to colleges and schools for us to go hand out information and applications. Think of all the possibilities you have on a daily basis to grow the world's largest Women's patriotic Service Organization. Let's get out there and grow!

If you are up to volunteering for any of our monthly grills, just let Paul Goymerac know.

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current member that recruits at least 5 new members between September 1, 2018 and January 31, 2019, your name will go into a drawing for a gift card or cash prize! This is great incentive for you to win something and a really great way for veterans to find out about our organization.

With fall comes football, there are a lot of debates and debacles on the NFL, well my feelings are it is up to **you** on how you view it. **You** served, you have the right to watch or not, but please be considerate to the others that may view it differently. One thing I think we are all looking forward to is some college football rivalries!!!! Let's grab our favorite jersey, throw on your best colors or cap and come on out watch on one of our 6 TV's! (we have fans from across the country, so it is always a lot of fun)

There is new an online training (basic training course) available to any current member,, it covers history, programs, visions, legislative goals, what all we have done and continue to do. Please go to <https://www.legion.org/alei> and take some time to learn about the 100 years of history of The American Legion. Remember, there is strength in numbers, we can only make a difference with membership. When the government knows there are hundreds of thousands of us, they tend to listen! We are here to protect our rights and our brothers and sisters in arms rights, let us not forget what we can do when we stand together. Until next month.....

For God and Country,
Veterans serving Veterans,
Chrissy

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Those opportunities to volunteer or just eat are: Steak Night Aug. 31, Breakfast Sept 8, Chicken fried Steak and VA visit Sept 14th, Bike night Sep 20 .

Paula Johnson
ALA President Unit 593



THE AMERICAN LEGION
Centennial celebration



Early Bird Dinner is Free This Year

If you pay your Legion, Sons or Auxiliary 2019 dues before or on October 12th, you will receive a free Chicken Fried Steak dinner. In the past several years, "Early Birds" were offered half off, or \$4.00 for the meal. This year, the SAL has voted to provide the meal for free to our members, so you won't have to pay anything. Guests and those who are not Early Birds will still be able to buy the meal for \$8.00, so plan on coming out and enjoying a great night out with family and friends!



SAL Corner

The August Chicken Fried Steak Night was a success! As always, the kitchen staff was phenomenal. 71 meals were served in minimal time and we had plenty for everyone. Our very special guests from the VA hospital seemed to enjoy the meal and the time spent visiting with our members. I hope that more of you will join us on CFS Night, not only for the delicious meal, but for the morale of our special guests.

In September we will invite our Converse firefighters and EMTs to join us for CFS. In November we will invite our Converse law enforcement personnel to join us. Did I overlook October? No. October CFS is the 'Early Bird' special! Any Legion, Auxiliary, or SAL member that renews their membership on or before October 12th gets a free chicken fried steak dinner that night! Heh, you thought I was going to say a new car. Please invite any family members or friends who may be eligible for membership to come with you. They'll be glad they did.

I am happy to see that the members that have experienced health issues recently are up and about and participating in our activities again. Let us extend best wishes and prayers for the good health and happiness of all our members [family]. We're all here for each other.

SAL meeting attendance is still low. Remember, this is YOUR squadron. Without direct input from the 100+ members, the same 11 people that always show up are making all the decisions for the SAL. Come to the next meeting so that you can learn about the golf tournament, John Orf Memorial Casino Night, chili cookoff, and any projects or programs you would like to see brought to life. We might even make you a committee chairperson so that your idea is a success. The American Legion is about to celebrate its 100th birthday. This is an exciting time to be a part of American Legion history and you're all invited! Please join us.

For God and Country,
George Alva
Squadron 593 Commander



Riders Report

The Riders are off and running. We had our first Bike Night and Grill in several years. A BIG Thanks to Dave, Karen, Audrey, Marcelo, Dan, Henry and Buzz for running the kitchen. They purchased all the food and donated the proceeds back to the Riders. We had our group ride on Sat. Nine of us rode down to Victory for BBQ at Aunt Jo's. Hard to be objective when we have so many good cooks in-house. The Riders budget has been approved, bank accounts moved over and committee leads appointed. I am encouraging our riders to attend the Riders GM Mtg the second Tues of each month, Bike Night and Grill the third Thurs of the month and the group ride that following weekend. Keep your eye on the Riders Facebook page for up coming announcements and the Riders link on AL Post 593 web page for an event calendar.

God Bless the United States of America

Brad Pierce
Director, ALR 593



Service Officer

Soft Tissue Sarcomas and Agent Orange

VA presumes some soft tissue sarcomas in Veterans are related to their exposure to Agent Orange or other herbicides during military service.

The soft tissue sarcomas **not presumed** by VA to be caused by Agent Orange exposure are osteosarcoma, chondrosarcoma, Kaposi's sarcoma or mesothelioma.

About soft tissue sarcoma

Soft tissue sarcomas are a group of cancers in body tissues such as muscle, fat, blood and lymph vessels and connective tissues (that is, distinct from hard tissue such as bone or cartilage). These tumors are relatively rare.

There are often no symptoms in early stages. The first noticeable symptom is usually a painless lump or swelling. As the tumor grows, it may cause other symptoms, such as pain or soreness.

VA benefits for soft tissue sarcoma

Veterans with soft tissue sarcoma (other than osteosarcoma, chondrosarcoma, Kaposi's sarcoma or mesothelioma) who were exposed to herbicides during service may be eligible for disability compensation and health care.

Veterans who served in Vietnam, the Korean demilitarized zone or another area where Agent Orange was sprayed may be eligible for a free Agent Orange registry health exam.

Surviving spouses, dependent children and dependent parents of Veterans who were exposed to herbicides during military service and died as the result of soft tissue sarcoma (other than osteosarcoma, chondrosarcoma, Kaposi's sarcoma or mesothelioma) may be eligible for survivors' benefits.

Research on soft tissue sarcoma and herbicides

The Health and Medicine Division (formally known as the Institute of Medicine) of the National Academy of Sciences, Engineering, and Medicine concluded in its 1994 report "Veterans and Agent Orange: Health Effects of Herbicides Used in Vietnam" and other updates that there is evidence of a positive association between exposure to herbicides used in Vietnam and soft tissue sarcomas.

Sebastian Rodriguez
Service Officer

American Legion Post 593

September 2018

Phone: 210-658-1111



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
2 Flag Disposal 1:30PM Labor Day Picnic 2:00PM	3 Labor Day	4 ALR Exec Mtg 7:30	5 Post General Membership Mtg 7:30PM	6 Dart League 7 pm	7	8 Breakfast 8-11 am \$6.00
9 NFL Kickoff Canteen open 11:30AM Jam Session 1-5PM Grill 1-3:30PM	10 Shuffleboard League 7:30 pm	11 ALR Gen Mbr Mtg 7:30 pm	12	13 Tri-City Flyers Dart League 7 pm	14 Chicken Fried Steak Dinner 6:-7:30PM \$8.00 Karaoke 7:30PM	15 Shuffleboard Tournament 3:30PM Grill 4:30PM Dart Tournament 7:30 PM
16 Canteen open 11:30AM	17 Shuffleboard League 7:30 pm	18	19 Post Exec Mtg, 7:00 pm	20 A:R Bike Night and Grill 6:00PM Dart League 7 pm	21	22 Halloween Party Oct 26
23 Canteen open 11:30AM Canteen open 11:30AM	24 Shuffleboard League 7:30 pm	25 SAL General Membership Mtg 7:00PM	26	27 Dart League 7 pm	28 Steak Night 6-8:00PM \$13.00 Karaoke 8PM	29 AL Texas State Chili Cookoff Judging 2:00PM

Looking Ahead
(events subject
to change)

The Legion
Canteen will
be opening
At 11:30AM
On Sundays thru
Football season.
Free food,
watch the calendar
for other
Specials and
events

Night in Ole
Converse
Oct 5-7

SAL Golf
Tournament
Oct 21st

Halloween Party
Oct 26

Thanksgiving
Dinner
Nov 22

Book your
Christmas Party
today!

Date: September 2, 2018

Time: 2:00PM

Flag Disposal Ceremony

1:30PM

H A P P Y

LABOR DAY

Labor Day Picnic

Information: 210-658-1111

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The Legion will provide the grilled food and buns, condiments, etc.

Please bring your favorite side dish, finger foods, or sweets and baked goods.

Shuffleboard Tournament starts at 3:00PM

Come on out for fun and fellowship!

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: September 8, 2018

Time: 8:00-11:00 AM



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**Sorry,
no To-Go orders**



Jam Session

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.

September 9, 2018
2:00-5:00PM

Grill open 1- 3:30PM

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Chicken Fried Steak Dinner

Time: 6:00-7:30 PM

Date: September 14, 2018

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**

Monthly Tournament Night Shuffleboard and Darts

Saturday, September 15, 2018



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



Salt & Pepper DINER

ALR 593 Bike Night and Grill



September 20, 2018
1800hrs - Until
Grill open 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.

Steak Night



Date: September 28, 2018

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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AMERICAN LEGION
TEXAS STATE
CHILI CHAMPIONSHIP
SEPTEMBER 29,, 2018



Represent your American Legion Post in this first ever American Legion State Chili Championship . Posts can have several members entered. Prizes for the TOP 3 Chili's. First place chili will also receive a traveling trophy for their Post Home plus a donation to their Post Charity Program

LOCATION: American Legion Post 593, Converse, TX 78109

Entry Fee: \$15.00 - Get a second cup free if you enter the CASI division also.

Turn in time for judging: 2:00 pm

Friday nite steak dinner starting at 6 PM while they last for \$13.00. A great steak dinner
Breakfast SOS Saturday morning starting at 8 AM for \$2.50.
RV parking available. No hookups..

RULES

1. Must be a current paid up member of the American Legion or American Legion Auxiliary or Sons of the American Legion or Legion Riders.
2. All chili must be cooked outside on site the day of the cookoff.
3. No fillers in chili. Beans, macaroni, rice, hominy and other similiar ingredients not permitted.
4. Cooks are to prepare and cook chili in as sanitary manner as possible.
5. Blind cup judging method to be used.



FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT
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NIGHT IN OLE CONVERSE

PARADE

Saturday October 6th at 10:00 AM

CARNIVAL

★ Friday 5 PM- Midnight, ★ Saturday Noon-Midnight ★

★ Sunday 11 AM-6PM Carnival only ★

(Wrist Bands if Available for Sale ONLY During Carnival)

★ Food Booths, ★

★ Arts & Crafts, ★

★ IBCA BBQ Cookoff, ★

★ Live Music and Much More! ★

LIVE BANDS

(Times and Bands Subject to Change)

★ Friday, October 5th ★

Los Tovares 7-9 PM

Los Desperadoz 9:30 PM to Midnight



★ Saturday, October 6th ★

Hoghshedd 7PM- Midnight

J Abram Band 9:30 to Midnight

Sponsored by Converse Lions Club



Sons of The American Legion Squadron 593 Annual Golf Tournament



Olympia Hills Golf and Event Center,
Universal City, TX

Sunday, October 21st, 2018
8 am Shotgun Start (7:30 am Show Time)

Followed by Meals and Refreshments at the Post

Door Prizes, Great Food & Fun!!

\$65 per person or
1 payment of \$260 per 4 person team.

Contact David Paris at: (210) 325-3874
or Joe Falco at: (210) 722-4316

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**Ask about sponsoring a
hole!**

Proceeds go towards Boy's State,
Child Welfare and Veterans' Programs

**Sign Up Sheet on Reverse Side
Open to the Public!**

(You do not have to be a Legion member to play.)



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Annual Golf Tournament *Fall Classic*

Olympia Hills Golf and Event Center,
Universal City, TX

Sunday, October 21st, 2018 – 8 am Shotgun Start (7:30 am Show Time)

\$65 per person or 1 payment of \$260 per 4 person team.

Includes Golf, Cart, Meal Afterward, Drinks & Door Prizes

Contact David Paris at: (210) 325-3874 or Joe Falco at: (210) 722-4316

Name	Handicap/ Name of Course or GHIN #	Phone # (required)	Pd (rec'd by)
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Open to the Public!

(You do not have to be a Legion member to play.)