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#### Commander's Corner



It is times like this when I am at a loss for words to describe my feelings for Post 593. Our Membership stepped up last month and completed the renovation

of our Canteen. We had members volunteering their time, energies, skills and monies to complete this monumental task. We allocated eight days for the project and were back open in full operation in five days. Our Post looks fantastic because of our active membership. The spirit, selflessness, and energy of Post 593 has amazed me once again.

Let us now come together as a membership and nominate the best possible candidates to fill Our Executive Committee with candidates. The books are out in the Canteen so take a look. Read the job descriptions in the nomination book, and look around to see who will be best to fulfill the differing positions. Like I have said in the past, as you look around at the possible candidates that will be best for the Post, do not forget to look in the mirror.

Secondly, let us rejuvenate our membership. New Members are invigorated to help out, so

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#### **Auxiliary** News



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Aprils Showers Bring May Flowers.....

The sign-up sheet for the Kid's Easter Party is hanging up on the bulletin board in the canteen. Make sure to mark your calendar, Satur-

day, April 15<sup>th</sup> for the Kid's Easter Party – always a great time!!

If you have not paid your 2017 dues, please do so as soon as possible. We still have time to reach 100%.

It is almost election time!! We will be forming a nominating committee at the April meeting and we will take nominations from the floor and voting in June. If you have any questions regarding any of the positons, please get with myself or anyone on the executive board and we would be happy to answer any questions! Remember it is only one meeting a month! We really do have a great time and the women are amazing that you get to work with!!

Until Next Month.....

Michelle Muth Unit 593 President

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let us find some. We can all use some new faces, new helpers, and heaven knows some new stories.... There are hundreds of possible members that we run into throughout our normal lives. Invite them down to see our upgraded facilities, and encourage them to join Our Post.

We have the ability to revitalize Our Post by Electing an Executive Board to lead us forward, , invigorating our post with new members, and continuing to improve our facilities. The time is now, the weather is great, let us begin this wonderful spring anew.

This is OUR House. Do what you can when you can.

Danny Peter Muth Commander

#### **ELECTRONIC NEWSLETTERS**

To get your name on the electronic delivery list, please send an email to alpost593newsletter@yahoo.com.
Thanks for your support to save some dollars\$\$\$.

#### **Saving Cans**

Many thanks to those who have been helping us save cans for the past few years. This has brought into the Legion coffers almost \$10,000 in the last 11 years. Aluminum cans, brass, copper wire, and batteries are all salvageable.

#### SAL News

Folks.

I have a dream for the SAL that we begin to attract younger folks to join and get involved in our organization.

To this end we have a few ideas that I'd like to bring to your attention and then obtain your feedback. Is this the right track? What are your thoughts? Should we explore other ideas? Our organization is stronger when we come together and choose a course of action as a team.

One of the first things we talked about was a youth shooting program. We would teach the basics of safety, weapon handling, and shooting techniques. Post 300 is starting a program and we will see about joining forces.

Next we looked at holding some fishing outings at Converse's North Park Lake. Henry Creech is collecting old fishing rods and refurbishing them for use. We could have a father and son competition. or perhaps a grandfather and grandson competition. We selected Saturday, June 17th from 8am to Noon as our first fishing outing. We'll have some small prizes for the winners.

Next we're looking at a Family Night in the hall. We could have a movie night, a game night, a story night or some combination.

Finally, we're thinking about starting a Volks Marching group where we sponsor walks once or twice a year. As a minimum we would need to have a 5km and a 10km route. We could map out these routes around the Converse lakes. We're looking at the end of September for our first walk.

And yes, daughters would be invited to all of these events. These events would benefit the Auxiliary as well as the SAL.

Let me know your thoughts and interest level for each of these events. Obviously, we would need some adults to step up and make any of these programs a success. Reach out to me or any SAL member through face to face conversation, the SAL's Facebook page, snail mail addressed to the Post, or email to the Post's email address at <a href="mailto:Post593tx@yahoo.com">Post593tx@yahoo.com</a>. Put in the subject line: SAL Ideas.

Spring time is a time for growth and blossoming. Let the ideas blossom!

For God and Country.

Dennis Ducharme

Squadron 593 Commander

#### Riders Report



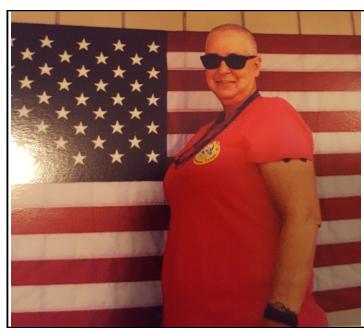
Thank You, Thank You to everyone that helped make our 13th Annual Rolling Run a great success! A very special Thanks to Paula and her committee for the hard work in the planning/putting on this event.

It's Election book time, so anyone interested in running for an ALR Executive Board position, please review the job description and get your name in book.

Hope to see everyone in Rockport for our quarterly Hail and Farewell, 7-9 Apr 17. KSU from the Post @ 0900 and make our way to Rockport...we will play the Dice Game along the way. The Hail and Farewell will be held Saturday evening in the Courtyard of the Econo Lodge, where we will be staying. Make your reservations (361-728-8351) soon! Be sure to ask for Michelle when making reservations, she is giving us a great rate.

Riders Rock!!

Keep Your Knees in the Breeze! Brown Zavala ALR Director, Post 593



Special recognition goes to Donna Grimmer for raising \$1,630.00 for The St Baldrick Foundation on behalf of TeamRiverBexar. She and other participants joined on March 11 to shave their heads in support of those battling cancer.

She is still accepting donations. If you would like to help, a donation can be turned in at the post or you can go online to <a href="www.stbaldricks.org">www.stbaldricks.org</a>; click on Donations. In the box enter "2017 Donna Grimmer, participant at Alamo".

The Department of Veterans Affairs has added to the list of 17 ailments that VA presumes were caused by wartime herbicide Agent Orange exposure. These include bladder cancer, high blood pressure, hypothyroidism and conditions with Parkinson's-like symptoms.

They estimate up to 1.7million new compensation claims will be processed. If you are a Veteran who served in Vietnam or Thailand and believe you have suffered from these medical conditions, please submit your claim soon.

For more information, please visit:

http://www.benefits.va.gov/Compensation/claims-postservice-agent orange.asp

Sebastian Rodriguez

Post 593 Service Officer

# **April** 2017

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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2	3 Shuffleboard League	4 ALR Exec. Mtg. 7:30pm	5 GMM Mtg. 7:30 pm	6 Dart League Pool League	7	8 Breakfast \$6 8-11
9 Jam Session with Grill 2 PM	10 Shuffleboard League	11 Rider Grill 6–7:15 \$5 ALR GMM Mtg. 7:30pm	12	13 Dart League Pool League <b>Tri-City Flyers</b> Grill 6 PM	14 Chicken Fried Steak Night \$8 6 PM	District Convention Kids Easter Party Shuffleboard 4 pm Aux Grill 5:30 pm Dart Tourney 7:15 pm
16	17 Shuffleboard League	18 SAL Mtg. – 7:00 pm	19 Exec. Mtg. 7:00 pm	20 Dart League Pool League	21	22
23	24 Shuffleboard League	25	26	27 Dart League Pool League	28 Steak Night \$13 7 PM	29





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District Convention 8 AM Post 2

Kids Easter Party 2-4 PM sign up at Post

Bites Sites and Bikes May 6th

We are also on Facebook - Post 593 or American Legion Riders Post 593 - CHECK US OUT!!!

Get your Newsletter by email by sending an email to: alpost593 newsletter@yahoo.com

# BREAKFAST Cooked by the American Legion

# American Legion Post 593— Saturday, April 9th

# **OPEN TO THE PUBLIC**

2nd Saturday of every month

8:00 am-11:00 am

326 West Legion Drive Converse, Texas 78109



## On the Menu:

Eggs to Order

**Pancakes** 

French Toast

Bacon

Hashbrowns

Sausage Gravy Sausage

**Biscuits** 

Orange Juice

\$6.00 per plate

Coffee

Danishes

Grits (on occasions)

Fruit (seasonal)

sorry, no to go plates

All you can eat, but



## **COME OUT AND SUPPORT YOUR** POST!!!

## American Legion Post 593 Chicken Fried Steak Night by the Sons of the American Legion.

Friday, April 14th 6:00 pm—7:30 pm

(Or until we sell out!)

Hand breaded Chicken Fried Steak with choice of green beans or corn, mashed potatoes, and rolls.

\$8.00



INVITE YOUR
FAMILY AND
FRIENDS!!
OPEN TO THE
PUBLIC!

Come support and meet the local VA patients who are hosted each month by the ALR.



#### HERE COMES PETER COTTONTAIL, HOPPING DOWN THE BUNNY TRAIL

April 15, 2017 2 pm- 4 pm

Hotdogs and drinks will be served!

Activities...... and......
EASTER EGG HUNT TO FOLLOW!!

For kiddos age infant through 1 2

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Sign up list will be posted in the canteen area. (21 0)658- 1 1 1 1

## Post 593 326 W. Legion Drive, Converse, TX 78109

#### MONTHLY SHUFFLEBOARD TOURNAMENT

Saturday, April 15th

**Blind Draw** 

\$5.00 per person

4:00 pm first game starts

First 24 signed up get to play.

Sign up is at 3:30 pm.

Kitchen will open at 5:30 pm - menu TBD.

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC!!



## **American Legion Post 593**

### Steak Night

329 Legion Drive West Converse, TX 78109

Friday, April 28th

6:00 pm-8:00 pm

(Or until we sell out!)

Ribeye Steak with choice of green beans or corn, baked potato, salad, sautéed onions and/or mushrooms and rolls.

Plus all the fixings for your salad and potato.

\$13.00



OPEN TO THE PUBLIC!

Music starts at 7:30 pm