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Commander's Corner



Well here we are one month into our new year (which runs from July to June) and things are busy already. We are already planning Halloween, Veterans Day, Thanksgiving and Christmas events!! My dad always said the older we get the faster time goes. So let's slow down and visit with one another. Come and meet your fellow Veterans and their families, join us for a meeting or come to one of our monthly meals! Once again I would like to thank all the volunteers and come out every month and assist with breakfast and steak night, and thank you all that came out for the Veterans business recognition last week. It was an honor to participate with the Converse Economic Development Corporation. They did a great job recognizing some of our local Veteran Owned Businesses.

We have a lot of things in the works and always need some new blood to come and assist. Coming up soon will be having 100 year anniversary celebrations, an active shooter class put on by Converse Police and our annual Labor Day celebra-

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Auxiliary News



It's August and the dog days of summer are upon us, with that being said, if you're not in a pool of ice cubes come hang at the post for some fellowship and A/C.

The Auxiliary is planning to host a 100th Anniversary party at Post 593 and although the details are still being finalized, YOU need to get involved and help make this an event to remember. It promises to be a fun and food packed day for all! Bring your neighbor, friend, acquaintance at the next Auxiliary general membership meeting and help us plan this historic event...We need you for this one!

The Beauties of Unit 593 want to let you know that we are off and running with getting committees together to host a slew of events this year. This group of beautify women are coming together to support our American Legion and our mission.

I couldn't be prouder already of this group of Women. Candy Zavala is moving right up and is

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tion, so look over your calendar, keep an eye on the website and visit our FB Page too. Our annual dues are \$36 for the year, which just equals \$3 a month and remember if you are paid up by the second Friday in October your chicken fried steak dinner will be free this year. There are a lot of recruiter awards given out by The American Legion, so please consider recruiting, friends, family, co-workers, etc...

I am excited about the things happening within our post and The American Legion as a whole, and I hope you all will join us at the post just for some of our activities.

For God and Country,

Veterans serving Veterans,

Chrissy



Service Officer

Funeral Planning Tips

Many funeral providers offer various "packages" of goods and services for different kinds of funerals. When you arrange for a funeral, you have the right to buy goods and services separately. That is, you do not have to accept a package that may include items you do not want. Here are some tips to help you shop for funeral services:

- Shop around in advance. Compare prices from at least two funeral homes. Remember that you can supply your own casket or urn.
- Ask for a price list. The law requires funeral homes to give you written price lists for products and services.
- Resist pressure to buy goods and services you don't really want or need.
- Avoid emotional overspending. It's not necessary to have the fanciest casket or the most elaborate funeral to properly honor a loved one.
- Recognize your rights. Laws regarding funerals and burials vary from state to state. It's a smart move to know which goods or services the law requires you to purchase and which are optional.
- Apply the same smart shopping techniques you use for other major purchases. You can cut costs by limiting the viewing to one day or one hour before the funeral, and by dressing your loved one in a favorite outfit instead of costly burial clothing.
- Shop in advance. It allows you to comparison shop without time constraints, creates an opportunity for family discussion, and lifts some of the burden from your family.

Sebastian Rodriguez
Service Officer

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now your 3rd Division President. Michelle Muth is now your 20th district President. When you see these powerful, beautiful ladies around, tell them congrats!

Until next time, respectfully yours,

Paula Johnson
ALA President Unit 593



Riders Report

I would like to congratulate members of the 593 family for their nominations and vote of confidence as they assume officer positions at the Department, Division and District level.

As discussed during our first general membership meeting, Brown presented a check to the Department ALR in the amount of \$10,000. This donation to The American Legion's Legacy Fund is the proceeds from the ALR State Rally along with a donation from ALR 593.

The executive committee is off and running, the budget will be finalized during the Aug executive meeting and approved during the Aug general membership meeting.

We are bringing back ALR Bike Night and Grill on the 3rd Thurs of the month, starting 16 Aug. This will be a casual get together and an opportunity to eat, talk and discuss the following weekend ride.

Please keep in mind we host Veterans from Audie Murphy the 2nd Friday of each month for Chicken Fried Steaks. Many times this is the only outing these Veterans get and are overwhelmed with the hospitality of Post 593.

As we start this new year, we want to focus on Reconnecting with ALR 593, reach out to our past members and put balance in your life.

Brad Pierce
Director, ALR 593



Look Sharp... Get Your Gear Here!

Have you ever wanted to get your own Legion Cap, shirt, jacket or patches? You can do it all here, at American Legion Flag & Emblem Online. Visit

<https://emblem.legion.org>

SAL Corner



It was a good month for The American Legion. The 100th convention of the Department of Texas was held in San Antonio at the Omni Colonnade Hotel in mid-July. Members of the Legion, Auxiliary, SAL, and Riders attended the 4-day event. On Saturday, July 14, a monument to The American Legion was unveiled at the Cadena-Reeves Justice Center at 300 Dolorosa. It's beautiful. Make it a point to see it next time you are downtown. In 50 years let's meet at the Justice Center for the opening of the time capsule that was buried next to the monument.

Our very own SAL member Henry Creech was elected Detachment Finance Officer. Our very own SAL member David Paris was elected Department Finance Officer. Our very own SAL member Peter Muth was elected District Finance Officer. Squadron 593 tips its hat to Christine Reed, Michelle Muth, Paula Johnson, and Candy Zavala for being elected to higher positions within the Legion family. We are very proud to be associated with such dedicated and hard-working people. They inspire us.

Chicken fried steak night was postponed by one week due to the convention. Although a very successful event, we sold out before the clock ran out. I apologize to those who were looking forward to enjoying the most delicious chicken fried steak in Texas but missed out. We will attempt to have enough on hand in August and future months. We want you to keep coming back! CFS night is not only an opportunity to enjoy a great, reasonably priced dinner, but it's also an excellent opportunity to say hello and thank you to the Veterans who come over from the VA hospital to visit with us for a couple of hours each month.

The SAL meets on the third Tuesday of the month. We have 115 members listed, but usually only a dozen or less attend the meeting. This is your squadron. You have a voice! The best way to be heard is at the meeting. We have activities planned throughout the year and the success of those activities can be accomplished only through member participation. We have a handful of members that we can always rely on to be here when needed. They work very hard and deserve so much gratitude, but they need a break. That's where you come in. The Legion is all about mutual helpfulness. Please join us at all future meetings and volunteer to help. You'll be surprised at how much fun you'll have and how fulfilling it is.

As we attempt to survive the hottest month of the year, remember to stay cool, stay in the shade, and stay well hydrated with fresh water. We don't want anyone dropping out because of the relentless heat. Two good things about September are that August is gone and cooler temperatures are only five or six months away.

For God and Country,

Respectfully yours,

George Alva
Commander, Squadron 593



Auxiliary Dues

**Auxiliary dues have
increased to \$28.00 per year.**

EARLY BIRD SPECIAL



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!

Plan Ahead!

Many people don't plan ahead for the unexpected. Thankfully, the internet has a lot of resources available. We have collected a lot of good planning guides by browsing around the internet. This information is provided as a courtesy and as a starting point for planning ahead. Always seek professional advice from competent legal professionals.

Visit our website and download these vital tools in case the unimaginable happens.

<http://www.post593.org/Plan Ahead.html>



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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	ZUMBA Every Tuesday 6:15 pm		1 General Membership Meeting 7:30 pm	2	3	4
5 Jam "Practice" 2 pm	6 ALR Exec Board Meeting 7:30 pm	7 ALR General Membership Mtg 7:30	8	9 Tri-City Flyers Grill 6 pm Pool League	10 Chicken Fried Steak Night \$8 6 pm Karaoke, 7:30pm	11 Monthly Breakfast \$6.00 8—11 am
12 Jam Session with Grill 2 PM	13	14 ALR General Membership Mtg 7:30	15 Legion Exec Meeting, 7 pm	16 ALR Bike Night & Grill	17	18 Shuffleboard 3:30 pm Aux Grill 5:30 pm Dart Tourney 7:15
19	20 Shuffleboard League	21 SAL GMM 7:00 pm	22 NEWSLETTER September Newsletter Articles are due!	23	24	25
26	27 Shuffleboard League	28	29	30	31 Steak Night \$13.00 6-8 pm	

ALR 593 Bike Night and Grill



3rd Thurs of the Month
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.

Chicken Fried Steak Dinner

Time: 6:00-7:30 PM

Date: August 10, 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.

Information: 210-658-1111

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**Eat in or
take out**

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: August 11, 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.

August 12, 2018
2:00-5:00PM

Grill open 1- 3:30PM

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Monthly Tournament Night Shuffleboard and Darts

Saturday, August 18, 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



Steak Night



Date: August 31, 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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