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Commander's Corner



Spring is in the air, and with this budding of a new season I would like to invite the support of the membership to assist in

rejuvenating Our Post. On March 12th come out to the Post and enjoy our monthly breakfast and then stay to assist in our Post Cleanup. We will be trimming edging, mowing, and cleaning. This is our opportunity to clean and fix up Our Post and Grounds. We have many upcoming events at Our Post and need to take care of it.

We are also in the last months of our membership drive for 2016. We are doing well, but still have more to do to finish off with a strong membership. Most of the membership of Our Post interact with other members outside of Post activities. If you see someone that was a member, please ask them if they have renewed this year. If they have forgotten to do it, please invite them to stop by the Post and renew their membership. If they would like, they can also renew online at

WWW.Legion.org/renew.

Auxiliary News



Just a friendly reminder to please pay your 2016 Auxiliary dues! We are working very hard to make a

Spring is here!!

100%! If you know anyone who is eligible and would like to join – please get them signed up!

It is almost election time!! We will be forming the nominating committee at the April Meeting and we will be taking nominations from the floor and voting in June! If you are interested in any position, please see someone on the nominating committee! Installation of officers will be held Saturday, June 25th.

We have some fun events coming up......so mark your calendar:

March 4th – Auxiliary Fish Fry: 6 pm – 8 pm or until we sell out - \$8.00 (see flyer)
March 26th – Kid's Easter party 1-3 pm – sign -up sheet is posted in the canteen (see flyer)
April 16th – Fajitas and Margaritas – more details to come!

Michelle Muth Unit 593 President

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Let us enjoy the Spring weather as we rejuvenate Our Post not only in the physical character of our buildings and grounds, but by renewing our membership and commitment to the American Legion.

This is OUR House Do what you can when you can

Danny Peter Muth Commander

SAL Corner

Hello Legion Family,



Thanks to everyone for your continued support in my bid to become the next SAL Detachment Commander for the state of Texas.

The AR-15 drawing was a great success. Thanks to all for supporting it.

Thanks to everyone who supported our meals last month. It's always nice to see folks out and especially nice to serve the VA folks.

Finally, membership. We are very close to 100% I know its mentioned every month, but folks, we need help. If you are eligible to join or renew, please consider doing so as soon as you can.

Teamwork makes the Dream Work! Henry Creech Squadron 593 Commander

ELECTRONIC NEWSLETTERS

To get your name on the electronic delivery list, please send an email to post593newsletter@yahoo.com. Thanks for your support to save some dollars\$\$\$.

2nd Vice News & Notes



Howdy all,

Thanks to everyone who setup, prepared food, as well as those who brought in a dish for the Superbowl party. It was a

fun day. Even a few of the commercials were good LOL

The Auxiliary has the meals for March. The Aux also has a fish fry on March 4th, as well as the Kids Easter party on the 26th.

I have taken over the duties of Newsletter Editor. If you have any input to the newsletter, pleas email to me at jfalco@twc.com

The electronic version of the newsletter will be expanded to include all the monthly event fliers. If you aren't getting the electronic version, I highly encourage you to do so you don't miss any information.

See y'all around the post!

Joe Falco
2nd Vice Commander

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.

As 2016 ushers in presidential and congressional elections, American Legion posts are encouraged to promote "Get Out the

Vote" (GOTV) efforts while remaining nonpartisan in the process.

The Legion's "Get Out the Vote" brochure provides ideas on how posts can participate in and promote the electoral process in an effort to motivate U.S. citizens of legal age to exercise their right to vote. Legionnaires can serve as poll volunteers, host or participate in nonpartisan candidate forums, place public service announcements in local media that promote registration and voting, distribute GOTV promotional materials and more.

Start planning GOTV efforts now by downloading the Legion's "<u>Get Out the Vote</u>" and "<u>Vote, America</u>" brochures. For sample GOTV public service announcements and news releases, visit <u>www.legion.org/vote</u>.

Riders Report



Spring is in the air and it is time to get those bikes ready to roll. First off, please do not forget your T-CLOC's Inspection. Check those Tires, Controls, Lights & Electronics, Oil & Fluids, Chassis, Side or Center Stands. Ensure your license, registration, and insurance are valid. Also, we will begin many group rides. Motorcycling is primarily a solo activity, but for many, riding as a group -- whether with friends on a Saturday morning ride or with an organized motorcycle rally -- is the epitome of the motorcycling experience. Here are some tips to help ensure a fun and safe group ride:

Arrive prepared. Arrive ahead of time with a full gas tank.

Hold a riders' meeting. Discuss things like the route, rest and fuel stops, and hand signals. Assign a lead and sweep (tail) rider. Both should be experienced riders who are well-versed in group riding procedures. The leader should assess everyone's riding skills and the group's riding style.

Keep the group to a manageable size, ideally five to fifteen riders. If necessary, break the group into smaller subgroups, each with a lead and sweep rider.

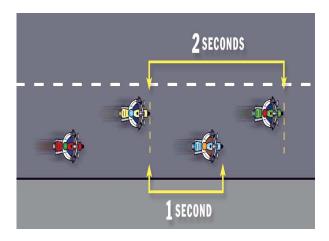
Ride prepared. At least one rider in each group should pack a cell phone, first-aid kit, and full tool kit, so the group is prepared for any problem that they might encounter.

Ride in formation. The staggered riding formation (**see diagram below**) allows a proper space cushion between motorcycles so that each rider has enough time and space to maneuver and to react to hazards. The leader rides in the left third of the lane, while the next rider stays at least two seconds behind in the right third of the lane; the rest of the group follows the same pattern. A single-file formation is preferred on a curvy road, under conditions of poor visibility or poor road surfaces, entering/leaving highways, or other situations where an increased space cushion or maneuvering room is needed.

Avoid side-by-side formations, as they reduce the space cushion. If you suddenly needed to swerve to avoid a hazard, you would not have room to do so. You don't want handlebars to get entangled.

Periodically check the riders following in your rear view mirror. If you see a rider falling behind, slow down so they may catch up. If all the riders in the group use this technique, the group should be able to maintain a fairly steady speed without pressure to ride too fast to catch up.

If you're separated from the group, don't panic. Your group should have a pre-planned procedure in place to regroup. Don't break the law or ride beyond your skills to catch up.



Finally, I want to personally thank everyone who volunteered their time in making the 2016 ALR Rolling Run such a huge success. Thank you for everything you have done and continue to do, it is greatly appreciated.

John A. Bock Director, American Legion Riders March 2016

** Breakfast and Steak Night presented by the Auxiliary **

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1 Rider Free Grill 6-8 pm ALR EXEC MTG 7:30 PM	2 Legion General Membership Meeting 7:30PM	3 Dart League 7:00PM	4 Aux Fish Fry 6-8PM DJ at 7:30	rð.
6 JAM Session 1:00pm Grill open 2:00pm	7	8 ALR Grill 6PM ALR general membership meeting 7:30PM	6	10 Flyers Grill 6:00PM Dart League 7:00PM	Chicken Fried Steak Dinner with the VA visitors 6-7:30PM DJ at 7:30	12 Breakfast by the Aux 8-11AM Post Clean-up 8am
13	14	15	16 Legion Exec 7:00PM	17 Dart League 7:00PM	18	Rolling Run Shuffleboard Tourney—3:30 Dart Tourney – 7:15
20	21	22	23	24 Bike Night Grill 6PM Philly Cheese Steaks Dart League 7:00PM	25 Steak Night/Fish Fry by the Aux 6-8PM DJ at 7:30	26 Kid's Easter Party 1-3 pm
27	28 Shuffleboard League 7:00 PM	29 SAL Gen Membership Mtg, 7:30PM	30			

ZUMBA Every Tuesday At 6:15 pm - \$3

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

April 16th - Fajitas and Margaritas

UPCOMING EVENTS:



AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY UNIT 593 FISH FRY!!

Converse, Texas

WHEN: Friday, March 4, 2016

TIME: 6:00 pm—8:00 pm

or until we run out

PRICE: \$8.00



We will be having a DJ from 7 pm to 11 pm.

Tilapia, french fries, coleslaw, hushpuppies and a dessert!!



BREAKFAST Cooked by the American Legion Auxiliary

American Legion Post 593—Saturday, March 12th!

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

2nd Saturday of every month

8:00 am-11:00 am

Converse, Texas 78109 326 West Legion Drive



On the Menu:

Eggs to Order

Pancakes

French Toast

Bacon

Hashbrowns

Sausage Gravy

Sausage

Biscuits

Orange Juice

Coffee

Danishes (on occasion)

Grits (on occasion)

Fruit (seasonal)

sorry, no to go plates All you can eat, but \$6.00 per plate

POST CLEAN-UP 0800

COME OUT AND SUPPORT

YOUR POST!!!

American Legion Post 593

Chicken Fried Steak Night by the

Sons of the American Legion.

Friday, March 11th

Music and Karaoke

6:00 pm—7:30 pm

beginning at

(Or until we sell out!)

7:30pm

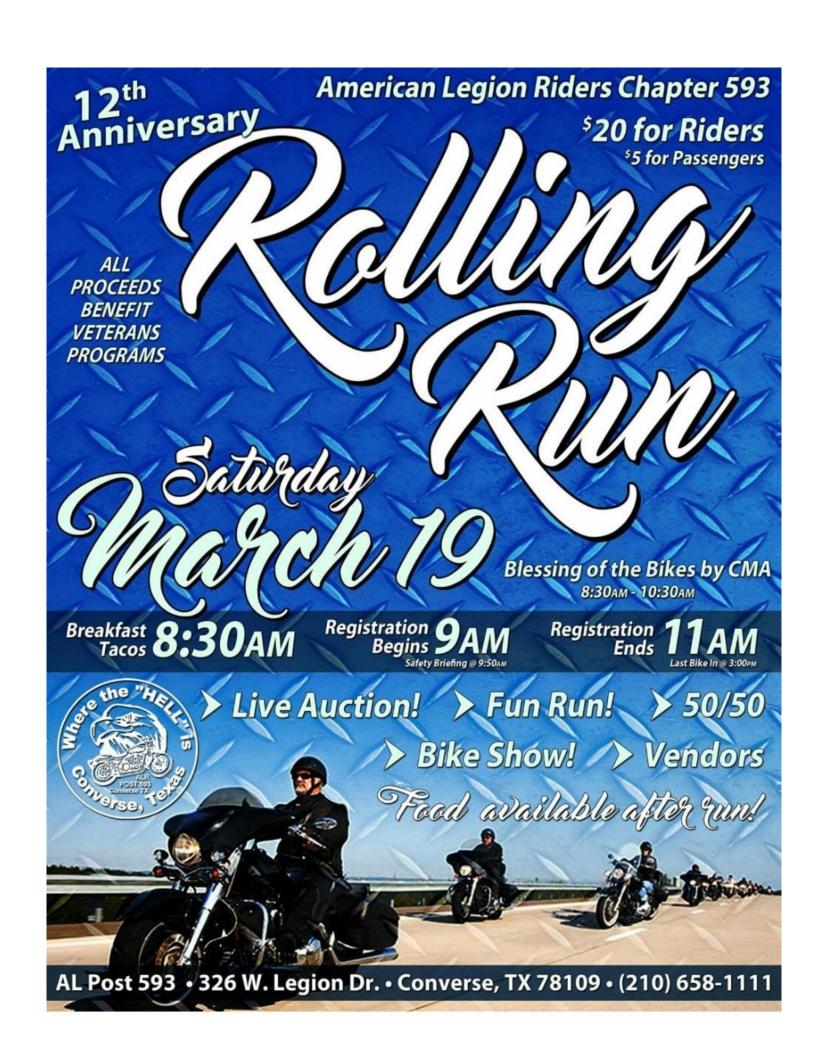
Hand breaded Chicken Fried Steak with choice of green beans or corn, mashed potatoes, and rolls.

\$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.



American Legion Post 593

Steak Night/Fish Fry by the

American Legion Auxialiary

Friday, March 25th 6:00 pm—8:00 pm (Or until we sell out!)



NEW!!!

You can now order Steak Fries instead of baked potato!

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

Plus all the fixings for your salad and potato.

\$13.00.

Or for this month you can choose fried fish and coleslaw for \$8.00





INVITE YOUR FAMILY AND

FRIENDS!!

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC!



HERE COMES PETER COTTONTAIL, HOPPING DOWN THE BUNNY TRAIL

March 26, 2016 1 pm- 3 pm

Hotdogs and drinks will be served!

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

For kiddos age infant through 12

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Sign up list will be posted in the canteen area. (210)658-1111