



William M. Randolph, Post 593

**The American Legion  
Of The United States of America**

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April 2022

Hours of Operation

Monday--2pm—9pm  
Tue-Thurs: 2pm—10pm  
Friday: 2pm — 1am  
Saturday: Noon — 1 am  
Sunday: Noon — 8pm  
(Hours may vary due to business)

**Post 593 Officers:**

Commander: Dennis Ducharme

1st Vice: Ed Richards

2nd Vice: Joe Falco

Adjutant: Nick Mills

Finance: Ray Barger

Chaplain: Kelly Mosely

Judge Advocate: Danny Muth

Historian: Kelly Osvoid

Service Officer: Brad Martin

Sgt At Arms: George Alva

Hubmaster: Dennis Ducharme

**Members at Large:** Henry Creech,

Jack Leanhart, Jimmy May, Art

Osvoid, Ken Rodd,

**Auxiliary Officers:**

President: Sandy Vinson

Vice President: Robin Alva

Secretary: Amanda Silvas

Treasurer: Sue Buckley

Historian: Vacant

Chaplain: Irma Ducharme

Sgt At Arms: Donna Grimmer

**Members at Large:**

Rosie Cherry, Michelle Muth,

Patricia Perdok

**Sons of the American Legion:**

Commander: Joe Falco

1st Vice: Bill Cox

2nd Vice: Henry Creech

Adjutant: George Alva

Membership Chair: Rick Moe

Finance: Dave Paris

Chaplain: Dennis Ducharme

Historian: Ken Echered

Sgt At Arms: Ed Richards

Judge Advocate: Henry Creech

**Members At Large:**

Rick Moe, Ken Rodd

**ALR Officers:**

Director: Paul Goymerac

Asst Director: Greg Spatz

Secretary: Becky Spatz

Treasurer: Robin Alva

Road Captain: Sean Lowder

Membership: Amy Reed

Sgt At Arms: Robert Hendricks

Chaplain: Ed Richards

Service Officer: Daniel Riggs

Historian: Alice Wagener

**Members at Large:**

Jim Rusick, Matt Scott,

*Commander's Comments*



Legion Family,

I am continually amazed at all we accomplish here at Post 593. We stay pretty busy and we couldn't do it without you, our members. One such

member is Ken Rodd. He has taken on the awesome task of raising money for Boys and Girls State. It cost \$330 per boy and \$450 per girl to send them for a week to learn about Texas government. Ken obtained 17 raffle prizes to be awarded on May 2<sup>nd</sup>. So far, he has sold enough tickets to send 3 high school students. We would like to increase this number. If you see Ken, be sure to thank him for all his time and effort and be sure to get your raffle tickets. Thank you Ken!

Another group of members took on the task of cooking a delicious St Patrick's Day dinner as a fundraiser to help replace the 4 bin sink behind the bar. Thank you Traci, Audrey, Dennis and a special thank you to the secret folks who donated the corned beef. We raised \$300 towards the approximately \$1,300 needed to replace the sink.

The nomination book for Legion officers of the Post was put out on April 1st and will be at the Canteen until April 30<sup>th</sup>. If you would like to run for office or you want to nominate someone it must be done prior to the book being closed on April 30th or at the General Membership meeting in May. The nominees must accept or decline the nomination by initialing their choice. All candidates that did not initial or who are nominated from the floor and plan on accepting, must be present at the May general membership meeting on Wednesday, May 4<sup>th</sup>. Voting will be open from 2pm to 7:30pm on Wednesday, June 1<sup>st</sup>.

We're looking at starting a weekly Trivia contest. Each week there will be 20 questions. Teams can have 1, 2 or 3 people per team. It'll cost \$2 to play.

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*Auxiliary News*



Spring is in the air, and I pray that all are healthy and able to enjoy the wonderful weather that comes with this beautiful time of year.

A huge "Thank you!" to everyone that came out to support our events this past month!! If you have not come by lately, you are missing out on a lot of fun. It continues to amaze me when I see everyone come together to make the events such a success. It takes a village of volunteers to pull off everything we do, and our village is awesome!

We have so much coming up this month and in the next few months as well. The Kid's Easter Party will be April 10<sup>th</sup> and we are accepting candy donations that will be used for stuffing eggs at our "stuffing" party on April 5<sup>th</sup> at 6 p.m. Our 20<sup>th</sup> District Spring Convention will be hosted by Unit 2 on April 23<sup>rd</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup>. Always a great way to learn more about our organization. Our 3<sup>rd</sup> Division Convention will be held in Corpus Christi this year on May 21<sup>st</sup>, more information to follow. And so much more, so please stayed tuned.

Another friendly reminder to please renew your 2022 membership if you have not already. We are so close to making it to 100%!! You can mail your dues to the Post or renew online at [legion-aux.org/renew](http://legion-aux.org/renew) from the comfort of your home. There is also a phone number for Nation Headquarters on the same web page that can assist over the phone to help you renew your dues. Dues are \$28.00 and you truly make a difference when supporting the American Legion Auxiliary!! If you know someone that is eligible to join, please invite them to join us and get them signed up as well.

This month we will be forming our elections nominating committee

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There'll be prizes each day where 50% of the money collected will go to the first place team, 25% to the second place team and the remaining 25% will go to the finals. We'll play for 10 weeks and then hold the finals for the best 4 teams. This promises to be a fun time! We're still working the details on this but it's coming along nicely.

We're also looking at hiring a bus to go to Eagle Pass for a day. Probably on a Saturday. We'd leave the Post at 7am, get to the casino around 10am, be back on the bus at 4:30pm and back to the Post around 7pm. We would have to have about 40 people sign up to make this work. Sign-up sheets will be made available at the Post. Right now, we're planning on \$60 per person, round trip.

Please watch Facebook for more information about the trivia contest and the bus trip.

Mark your calendar! The Post is hosting a Past Commanders, Presidents and Directors pot luck recognition dinner on Saturday, June 18<sup>th</sup>. This will be a free event (just bring your favorite food) to recognize and thank the past Legion/Squadron Commanders, Unit Presidents and ALR Directors. These folks are directly responsible for us being here today. Let's show them our appreciation and shake their hands in gratitude for their enormous contributions to our Post.

For God and Country,

Dennis Ducharme  
Post Commander

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at our April meeting and will be taking nominations from the floor then voting in June. We always love to see new faces on the Executive Board. Remember, it is only one meeting a month. We really do have a great time and the members are amazing that you get to work with!! If you are interested in any position, please see me or any one of us on the Executive Board or nominating committee.

Again, please remember that our monthly meetings are the first Wednesday of every month at 7:30 p.m. We would love your presence, support, and ideas as we continue to grow our organization.

As always, we have lots of great events coming up so be sure to keep a close eye on our website calendar, as well as Post 593's Facebook page, for updated information.

Until next time, respectfully yours,

Sandy Vinson  
ALA President Unit 593  
aux593info@gmail.com

### April Meals Quick Reference

|  |                |
|--|----------------|
| <u>April 8, Chicken Fried Steak Dinner, 5-7PM</u>                    | <u>\$10.00</u> |
| <u>April 9, Breakfast, 8-11AM</u>                                    | <u>\$7.00</u>  |
| <u>April 10, Jam Session Grill, 1-3PM</u>                            | <u>\$7.00</u>  |
| <u>April 14, Burger Grill, 5:30-7:30PM</u>                           | <u>\$7.00</u>  |
| <u>April 29, Steak Night, 6-8PM</u>                                  | <u>\$15.00</u> |
| <u>Complimentary Snacks available during Canteen Operating Hours</u> |                |

### SALute



Happy Easter! The Legion year is winding down and we'll soon be nominating folks for next years Officers. Please consider holding an office. Fresh ideas from folks are always welcome.

Membership is still a top priority, please renew today.

It would be really nice to see some new faces at our monthly meetings and events. Our Monthly General Membership Meeting is always on the 3rd Tuesday of the month. Hope to see you there.

As always, thank you for your support of our functions and services to the Post and the membership.

Be safe and be well,  
Joe Falco  
Squadron 593 Commander

### **Help Bubba find Blue**

ALA President, Teresa Simmons-Copeland, has named K9s for Warriors as a special project for her year. Her mascot is a plush dog named Blue. Blue was kidnapped at DEC. Bubba, his long-lost brother, is looking for him.

Go to Facebook "Help Bubba find Blue" to follow his adventures.

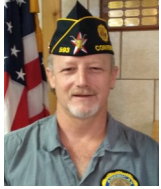
FYI: K9s For Warriors is ending veteran suicide and returning our warriors to a life of dignity and independence. They rescue and train shelter dogs to be paired as Service Dogs for warriors with service-connected Post-Traumatic Stress, Traumatic Brain Injury and/or Military Sexual Trauma. They recently opened a facility in San Antonio (near ACS on Hwy 151).

Will you help me with a donation?

**ALA Unit 593**  
**326 Legion Drive W**  
**Converse, TX 78109**

(Indicate your donation is for The K9 Warrior Program)





## Riders Report



Greetings ALR family. April has turned into a busy month for ALR Chapter 593. We are starting the month out by attending the 7<sup>th</sup> Annual Black Bean Run on 2 April in Schulenburg (ALR Chapter 143). It's a 90-minute ride on I-10 but many have shown interest. The following week (8 – 9 April) is our Legacy Ride which is hosted by ALR Chapter 245 in Seguin. Friday and Saturday will be filled with great comradery among ALR Chapters in South Central Texas. Two weeks later, 22 and 23 April, is the burial of John on Friday (10:00 am at FT Sam) followed by a celebration of life on Saturday (3:00 pm until closing at Post 593). All are welcomes. Other weekends will be Texas country rides leaving from Post 593. Stay updated via our Facebook site.

I also want to thank everyone for their ongoing support in March to make our 17<sup>th</sup> Annual Rolling Run a huge success. We had a great time and a perfect day to ride. In order to reach out to more ALR members on a frequent basis, we are reaching out to every rider to ensure our contact information is correct....email, phone, and address. It will help us add some additional means of communication to our riders since many are no longer on Facebook and rely on snail mail or email. If you get a call, text, letter, or email from us, please understand that we are just trying to keep our records updated.

Finally, books will be out Friday and that starts the nomination process for new members of Post 593 from all 4 Divisions. Please consider getting involved and if interested, many of us would love to nominate you for a position. Books will close on 30 April and elections would be forthcoming at our GMM. Executive Committee meetings are the first Tuesday of the month and General Membership meetings are on the second Tuesday. Both begin at 7:00 pm. GMM has free food so come down with an appetite. Sean and Melissa Lowder are providing April's food, it's gotta be good.

Paul "Timmy" Goymerac,  
ALR Director

## **Legion Membership Update**

### **Please renew for 2022!**

You can also leave your dues with the bartender (make sure you write your name and membership ID number on the envelope) and we'll get you the new card right away. As always, you can renew online at [mylegion.org](http://mylegion.org) and print your membership card; you can send in your reminder renewal form; or you can contact me and we can chat about your renewal options.

As of March 14<sup>th</sup>, we are at 94.94% of our goal of 712 members. We are at 676 members—keep those renewals coming in and bring in your friends! It is always a perfect time to renew or join! Bring in your friends, family, and neighbors to register for the Legion (and check eligibility for Auxiliary and Sons as well!).

### **Paid Up For Life (PUFL)**

Have you considered becoming a PUFL? Here are some reasons to consider:

- No more renewal notices. No more paying annual dues.
- No more worrying, "Did I renew my membership or not?"
- Join the other 184,000 PUFL Legionnaires in saying, "I believe in The American Legion and what it's doing. I'm in this for the long haul."
- Avoid future dues increases. No matter what inflation does, you never have to pay another penny in dues.
- Lifetime subscription to The American Legion Magazine!

Each Paid Up For Life member receives a permanent plastic card, as well as an annual paper card to verify continuing membership in The American Legion. The annual card is mailed in July of each year. You can also pay in full or choose 12 monthly installments.

Ed Richards,  
1<sup>st</sup> Vice Commander, Membership

# American Legion Post 593

April 2022

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Looking Ahead  
(events subject  
to change)

Chicken Dinner &  
Raffle Drawing  
May 2

Memorial Day  
Picnic May 29

50's Sock Hop  
June 4

| SUNDAY   | MONDAY              | TUESDAY  | WEDNESDAY                                       | THURSDAY   | FRIDAY  | SATURDAY                              |
|--|---------------------|--|---|--|---|---------------------------------------|
|  |                     |  |   |  |   |                                       |
| 3  | 4                   | 5  | 6   | 7  | 8   | 9                                     |
|  | Shuffleboard<br>7PM | Coffee & Doughnuts<br>9-11AM<br>ALR Exec Mtg<br>7:00 PM    | Post General<br>Membership<br>Meeting<br>7:30PM | Pool League 8PM<br>Dart League 7PM                         | <b>Chicken Fried<br/>Steak Dinner</b><br>6-8PM<br>\$10.00 | <b>Breakfast</b><br>8-11 AM<br>\$7.00 |
| 10   | 11                  | 12   | 13  | 14   | 15  | 16                                    |
| <b>Jam Session</b><br>12PM<br><br><b>Kids Easter<br/>Party 1PM</b> | Shuffleboard<br>7PM | Coffee & Doughnuts<br>9-11AM<br>ALR Gen Mbr Mtg<br>7:00 PM |   | Flyers Grill 5PM<br><br>Pool League 8PM<br>Dart League 7PM |   |                                       |
| 17   | 18                  | 19   | 20  | 21   | 22  | 23                                    |
| <b>Easter Sunday</b><br>   | Shuffleboard<br>7PM | Coffee & Doughnuts<br>9-11AM<br>SAL GMM<br>7:00PM          | Post Exec Mtg,<br>7:00 pm                       | Pool League 8PM<br>Dart League 7PM                         |   |                                       |
| 24   | 25                  | 26   | 27  | 28   | 29  | 30                                    |
|  | Shuffleboard<br>7PM | Coffee & Doughnuts<br>9-11AM                               |   | Pool League 8PM<br>Dart League 7PM                         | <b>Steak Night</b><br>6-8PM<br>\$15.00                    |                                       |

## *Tuesday Morning Coffee and Doughnuts Plus*



Tuesday Mornings  
Time: 9-11AM

**Come join for complimentary coffee,  
doughnuts, plus other goodies.  
Good fellowship and good conversation.  
Every Tuesday Morning, from 9-11 AM**

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# Chicken Fried Steak Dinner

**\$10.00**

**Time: 6:00-7:30 PM**

**Date: April 8, 2022**



Hand breaded  
Chicken Fried  
Steak, Mashed  
Potatoes, Gravy,  
choice of  
Vegetable, Dinner  
roll.

**Karaoke to follow for your  
singing and dancing pleasure**

**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  
\$7.00 per plate**

**Date: April 9, 2022**

**Time: 8:00-11:00 AM**



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**Information: 210-658-1111**

**To-Go orders available.**



# 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.

April 10, 2022  
1:00-5:00PM

Grill open 1- 3:30PM

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*Information*  
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# *Flyers Grill Burger Night*

**Hamburgers/Cheeseburgers, FF  
and dessert for  
\$7.00 per plate**

**Date: April 14, 2022**

**Time: 5:30-7:30PM**

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**Converse TX 78109**

**Info: 210-658-1111**



# *Steak Night*



Date: April 29, 2022

Time: 6:00-8:00PM

**Information: 210-658-1111**

**Eat in or take out**

12 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 \$15.00 per plate.

Come on out for a great meal, music, and fellowship.

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## BOYS & GIRLS STATE FUND RAISER

Help send some local High School students to Texas Boys & Girls State this summer by getting Raffle tickets. Drawing will be held May 2nd at 6:00 pm at American Legion Post 593, Converse. 10 WINNERS!!!!!!!

### PRIZES TO BE DRAWN FOR

- 1 - \$100.00 Gift Cert from HEB
- 1 - \$50.00 Gift Cert from Texas Roadhouse
- 2 - \$30.00 Gift Cert from The Wash Tub (car wash)
- 3 - \$21.49 Gift Cert for Pizza from Bubba's 33
- 3 - \$15.00 OFF Gift Cert Express Oil Change

You do not be present to win

1 ticket is \$1.00

7 tickets for \$5.00

20 tickets for \$10.00

Your support for these students is greatly appreciated.  
This is how they grow and learn.

Ken Rodd

Member of American Legion Post 593

7722 Clay Ridge Drive

San Antonio, TX 78239

Cell phone - 210 887 8827

# 50's Sock Hop

OPEN to the Public!

The American Legion Post 593



Saturday June 4th, 2022

326 Legion Drive West  
Converse, Tx 78109

DJ & Dancin!  
7pm to 11pm

\*includes one well drink/domestic beer & chance for door prizes!

\$10 per person

For Tickets Contact:

\*Bartender on Duty

\*Dennis Ducharme @ 210-630-0655

\*Karen Paris @ 210-269-7090

## 50's Car Show Plus

3pm-7pm

\*Come & See All the Great Cars

\*Talk to the Owners

\*Hark back to Younger Days



Proceeds to benefit K9's for Warriors

## Food & Drinks For Sale

\*Hamburgers & Hotdogs & more!

\*French Fries

\*Chocolate & Strawberry Shakes

\*Root Beer Floats  
-Alcoholic Versions Available

\*Drink Specials & More!

## Games & Contests

Free to Enter- Prizes Awarded

\*Costume

\*Hula Hoop & Limbo

\*Bubble Gum Blowing

\*Hot Wheels

\*50's Trivia

\*Photo Booth w/Props



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