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Commander's Comments



This past month has been busy for being closed but many of us continue to work behind the scenes to take care of our members. We started the month off with a General Membership Meeting in the beginning of January where a vote was taken to add a Food and Beverage certificate to our liquor license. If approved, our Canteen could open back up. After an unsuccessful motion by the Executive Committee, the canteen will remain closed until Bexar County or State of Texas allow bars to reopen. Additionally, Nathan Emslie, Post 593 Oratorical Post Champion, competed at the 20th District and won that competition. Unfortunately, he recently did not win at the Division level but hats off to his accomplishments. Nathan is a Junior that is home-schooled and can compete again next year. Finally, many of us capped off the month of January by attending a fundraiser event for Cindy Lowe on 23 January. She is fighting cancer and is currently a member of AUX and ALR.

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Auxiliary News



First of all, I want to express my appreciation to everyone that came out to support the fundraiser for Cindy and Alan Lowe in January. I am amazed at the love and support that was shown for such wonderful couple. In addition, I want to thank all of you so much that helped in any way to make it such a huge success – the event planning, facilitating the live auction, the items donated and/or purchased, food prep, volunteers, and so much more. Also, a huge shout out to Schultz's Saloon as well for hosting this event. Thank you so much for all your help!!

This month we will have our Four Chaplains Ceremony on Sunday, February 7th at 3 p.m. This is a very special and moving ceremony honoring four World War II chaplains who gave their lives to save many others. Please come out to join us in paying tribute to their sacrifice if you are able. If you are unable to attend, the ceremony will be available to view via live video on our Post Facebook page as well.

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The number of people that showed up to Shultz Saloon in Seguin to support this event was remarkable. Allen and Cindy were blown away by the ongoing support. Even though our Canteen is closed, we still try to support all our members when we can. Also, January was the start of our third Buddy Check. We are trying to reach out to our members to ensure everything is going well during this rapid Covid19 pandemic.

In February, due to Covid19 and the inability have an open Canteen, our monthly meals have been cancelled. During the February GMM, we will re-access if breakfast, CFS, or Steak night is feasible for the month of March. Please have patience with us as we navigate through all the laws and policies that are placed upon us. In the future, we will open our GMM to members via Zoom or telecom. This will allow our members to be safe and reduce the number of members in person for our meetings. On Super Bowl Sunday, 7 FEB, we will have our "Four Chaplains Remembrance" event beginning at 3:00 pm. This event will also be broadcasted live on our Facebook Site. Please stop down or go online to pay your respects to these four American Heroes.

Thanks again for your continued support and if you would like to help us with Buddy Checks, please contact me at paul.goymerac@gmail.com and I will link you up with our event coordinator.

God Bless our Veterans and have a great New Year.
Paul (Gomer) Goymerac
Post Commander

Chaplains Corner

Happy New Year! We welcome in 2021, knowing that it will be better than 2020. We did learn some important lessons in 2020—patience, charity, appreciation of little things, the value of friendships, just to name a few. We all look forward to things becoming more "normal", but we still need to be patient and understanding. Let's not lose the prize by rushing forward and letting our guard down. I'm hoping to see more of you at the Post in the near future.

Please remember those that have passed on to POST Everlasting during 2020. Continue to remember all that are in poor health or are convalescing.

The Legion and our Post is experiencing significant losses. Our membership is growing older. Please consider inviting some younger people to join our ranks and carry on our important work.

Ed Richards
Chaplain
Post 593

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As done for the Fall DEC, the Mid-Winter Conference in Austin on February 13th will be available for viewing to members just as if you were attending the meeting. There were a few bumps and challenges for the fall meeting, but all the issues should be worked out for this meeting. A special "Group" has been set up on Facebook to join. Search FaceBook for "Department of Texas American Legion Auxiliary Live Stream Meetings". This is a Private Group set up specifically for viewing department events and meetings. Once you get to the page, indicate you would like to join and one of the administrators will allow you to do so. This page is for members of the Texas American Legion Auxiliary only. In the same way we would hold if you were in Austin, there will only be members of our Department in attendance, on-line and in person. There are no limits to the number of viewers so please join if you are unable to do so in person.

Please know that it is not too late to renew your 2020 membership. You can mail your dues to the Post or renew online at legion-aux.org/renew. 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. The dues are \$28.00 and you truly do make a difference when supporting the American Legion Auxiliary!! If you know someone that is eligible to join, please invite them to get signed up as well.

Also, 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.

We hope to have lots of great events coming up soon so please keep checking the monthly calendar and email for details.

Until next time, respectfully yours,
Sandy Vinson
ALA President Unit 593
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SALute



Howdy SAL and Post 593.

Membership is still in the forefront. Keep in mind, our dues went up on October 1st to \$25 annually. Please don't let deter you from renewing or joining our great Squadron. We are very active in the Legion and Community and your participation will always be appreciated. Now that we're in calendar year 2021, the time to meet or exceed our goals gets compressed. Please renew or join us TODAY.

All February Legion and SAL meals have been cancelled for February. We're keeping an eye on current trends and will decide what to do in March later this month. Keep an eye on our Facebook and Website for current updates.

If you know of any ill or hurting SAL Members, please let us know so we can reach out to offer any assistance needed

Finally, a note about our monthly meeting. 3rd Tuesday of the month, 7:00PM. Would be great to some new faces and get fresh ideas. Please try to attend.

Be safe and be well,
Joe Falco
Squadron 593 Commander



Riders Report

"In this world of uncertainty, ours should be a path of discipline." Shiba Yoshimasa 1408

February 2021. One month until our 2021 Rolling Run. We will discuss the Rolling Run at the February meeting. Please join us in the hall for that meeting. We want your input. This is a group effort.

Many of our riders participated in the Lowe benefit in Seguin on January 23, 2021. Thank you all for the help, manual labor, donations, and love put into the event. We continue to pray for our sister Cindy Lowe and her loving husband Allen as they battle together against her disease.

Covid hit our ALR hard in January. Please continue to pray for all those that contracted the virus and are recovering. Pray for the families of those who have lost loved ones. Continue to reach out to your ALR brothers and sisters in this time of uncertainty. We are stronger together. Have no fear or embarrassment in reaching out if you are in need. You members at large are there to help.

Please remember to renew your ALR membership. To be a member of the ALR 593, you must be a current member of the American Legion, American Legion Auxiliary or Sons of the American Legion.

Think warm thoughts as the cold and dark of winter will begin to fade. Old man winter is going back to sleep, and spring is coming. Let us continue to look forward to a brighter future.

If you need to reach out to me, my cell phone is 210-347-2056 and email pjcountry_99@yahoo.com. If you are not getting emails, let me know. Watch our facebook group page for updates on rides and functions.

Sincerely,

Bubbles
ALR593 Director

Four Chaplains Ceremony

February 7, 2021, 3:00PM

The Four Chaplains were four United States Army chaplains who gave their lives to save other civilian and military personnel as the troop ship SS Dorchester sank on February 3, 1943, during World War II. They helped other soldiers board lifeboats and gave up their own life jackets when the supply ran out. The chaplains joined arms, said prayers, and sang hymns as they went down with the ship.

Come join us as we honor these four brave heroes. Social Distanced seating available, and we will also Livestream the ceremony on the Post Facebook Page.



American Legion National Headquarters

We've created a platform on www.legion.org dedicated to the [#coronavirus](https://twitter.com/coronavirus) that includes the most recent information from National Headquarters on how the coronavirus is affecting meetings, programs and activities, as well as daily messages from American Legion National Commander Bill Oxford.

Check it out at <https://www.legion.org/coronavirus>.

And don't forget the [CDC](https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/index.html) also has critical info on the virus, including how to protect yourself and what to do if you feel sick. It's at www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/index.html.

Aluminum Can Recycling program



The Can Recycling Program as a Legion program has ended, however, the can trailer will be monitored and emptied as needed by the Converse Animal Hospital as a way for them to gain needed funds. If you decide to donate aluminum cans, please make sure they are bagged. Thank you.

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Looking Ahead
(events subject
to change)

Post Everlasting
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Shed Cleanup
Coming soon
Watch for details

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
Four Chaplains Ceremony 3:00PM	ALR Exec Mtg 7:00 ALR Gen Mbr Mtg 7:30 PM		Post General Membership Meeting 7:30PM			
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
Valentine's Day 		SAL General Membership Mtg 7:00PM	Post Exec Mtg, 7:00 pm			
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	<p>As of the publication date of this calendar the Canteen is CLOSED.</p> <p>Please monitor our Post website and various Facebook pages for current updates.</p>					