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Commander: John Orff
1st Vice: Christine Reed
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Chaplain: Dennis Ducharme
Judge Advocate: Joe Guastella
Historian: Ken Echerd
Service Officer: Sebastian Rodriguez
Sergeant At Arms: Rick White
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Members at Large:

Jim Bennett, Joe Falco, Greg Trudo,
Velma Smith, Denny Taylor

Auxiliary Officers:

President: Michelle Smith
Vice President: Tina Goymerac
Secretary: Denise Yanus
Treasurer: Pati Bennett
Historian: Candy Zavala
Chaplain: Catherine McDonald
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Members at Large:
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Donna Gott

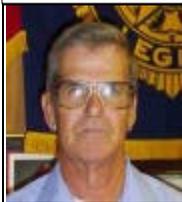
ALR Officers:

Director: Brown Zavala
Asst Director: John Bock
Secretary: Stephanie Bock
Treasurer: Dave Mealy
Road Captain: Ron Pompa
Membership: Catherine McDonald
Sgt At Arms: Ron Devlin
Chaplain: Tim Vinson
Service Officer: Chris Reed
Historian: Candy Zavala
Members at Large:
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Sons of the American Legion:

Commander: Henry Creech
1st Vice: Dennis Ducharme
2nd Vice: Joe Falco
Adjutant: Tim Vinson
Finance: Joe Falco
Chaplain: Tim Vinson
Historian: Ken Echerd
Sgt At Arms: Dennis Ducharme
Judge Advocate: Joe Guastella
Advisor: Marcelo Buckley

Commander's Corner



Greetings Legion Family!
One fast year is over. My thanks to the Post Officers, all of whom have been a great help to me during the year. Thanks to all the members who have helped us with all of the things that we do during the year.

Installation of officers for the coming Legion year will be held on July 20th. You are invited to attend this ceremony and to stay afterwards for the DJ and comradeship.

Help! Jack McCarthy has been taking care of our lawn for years. He has reached his retirement age. We really need someone to step up and take over the mowing duties. A team of caretakers would be even better.

Along the same line, J.B. has been doing all of the Post cleaning. He, and we, would really appreciate some help. Thanks.

For God and Country
John Orff, Post Commander

Auxiliary News



July already.....how the year has flown by! I want to thank my wonderful Auxiliary Exec. Board and all of the members for an amazing year! I am so honored to have worked with a great group of gals! You gals have been my rock and saving graces – thank you for all you have done!!!

I want to congratulate the new 2013-2014 Auxiliary Exec. Board:

President – Michelle Smith
VP – Tina Goymerac
Treasurer – Pati Bennett
Chaplain – Catherine McDonald
Secretary – Denise Yanus
Historian – Candy Zavala
Srgt. At Arms – Hanna Taylor
Members at Large – Sue Buckley,
Brenda Weeks and Donna Gott

Installation of Officers will be July 20th starting at 6:00 pm. This is for EVERYONE – please

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Rider's Report

Happy 4th of July everybody...and Thank You to all veterans for your service! Let me take this opportunity to introduce the newly elected ALR Post 593 Executive Board. Asst Director John Bock, Secretary Stephanie Bock, Chaplain Tim Vinson, Finance Officer Dave Mealy, Sgt at Arms Ron Devlin, Road Captain Ron Pompa, Membership Officer Catherine McDonald, Historian Candy Zavala, Service Officer Chris Reed and Members at Large Oscar Juarez, Carlos Bonilla and John Bishop. Congratulations to John and Stephanie Bock on their selection as Rider of the Year for 2012/1013. The ALR will host the 8th Annual Legacy Dinner at the KC Hall in Schertz. Tickets are \$25 per person and everyone is invited. Music, dinner, silent and live auctions and dancing to round out the evening. Many Thanks to the outgoing exec board and all ALR members for making 2012/2013 a great success! I look forward to a great year with this great group of Riders!

RIDERS ROCK!

Brown Zavala
ALR Director
Post 593

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come out and show everyone your support! We will have food and music!!

Remember – Auxiliary has breakfast and steak night in July so I will be looking for volunteers!

Until Next Month.....
Michelle Smith

NEW VA TOOLS

VA has recently launched online tools to help Veterans learn more about the benefits they've earned.

Videos

VA Disability Claims process: http://youtu.be/_QgfzRoHLjk

Vocational Rehabilitation: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ASPqtJWJ-KU&feature=share&list=UUBvOzPLmbzjtpX-Htstp2vw>

Infographics

Fully Developed Claims: http://benefits.va.gov/transformation/infographics/fdc_claims_cork_board.html

SAH: http://benefits.va.gov/transformation/infographics/special_adaptive_housing.html

eBenefits: <http://benefits.va.gov/transformation/infographics/ebenefits.html>

VA Hiring: http://benefits.va.gov/transformation/infographics/va_hiring.html

SAL CORNER



Greetings Legion Family

.Happy 4th of July to one and all. Thank you to all who came out in June to support the S.A.L. month to do monthly breakfast, chicken fried steak night, and steak night

It is that time of the year - "S.A.L. 593 Fall Golf Classic". It will be held on Sunday October 12, 2013 at 8:00 AM at North Cliff Golf Course. Look for sign up sheets and information at the Post in mid July.

Thank you.
Henry Creech
S.A.L. Post 593 Detachment Commander,
S.A.L. 20th District Commander,
S.A.L. 3rd Division Sergeant At Arms

NOTARY PUBLIC

Notary service is available to Post members and their families at no cost to them. Contact Joe Guastella at 683-6582 to make arrangements.

DON'T FORGET

Monthly breakfast (2nd Saturday of the month), Chicken fried steak dinner (2nd Friday), and Steak dinner (Last Friday). You won't get a better meal at the price...anywhere.

LET'S RECYCLE

Did you know we can make some extra money recycling common household items? Well we can, and we do. Save up your used aluminum cans, batteries, copper, brass and newspapers. Contact John Orff for more information.

ELECTRONIC NEWSLETTERS

The electronic Newsletter Mailing List continues to grow and we'd like to add you to the list. The more folks we add, the less we have to send, saving printing and postage costs. During FY 2010-2011 we spent over \$6000. Think about it. 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\$\$\$.

READ THIS — MEMBERSHIP DUES AUTO PAYMENT

You can save postage, paper and frustration by renewing for 2014 on line.

Members can simply go to www.legion.org/renew and click "Renew Now" to safely and conveniently pay their post dues on an annual, automatic basis. Once a member enters the information requested, he or she can set the account for automatic annual renewal.

Following all industry standards to protect the personal financial safety of members, The American Legion will maintain a record of those participating in the program and, at the beginning of each new membership year, will automatically process the renewal, charging it to the credit or debit card of the member's choice. The transaction would occur about July 15 of each year.

Once dues are successfully renewed automatically online, members will receive confirmation by email. As Adjutant, I will receive notification of renewal and mail you your membership card.

It is important that The American Legion has updated email addresses for participating members. To report a change of email address, phone number or other contact information, members can call toll-free (800) 433-3318, send an email to cs@legion.org, or go online at www.legion.org/membershipmanagement and use the "Change Address" option. Members can cancel participation in the Automatic Annual Renewal Program at any time. The cancellation will be applied to any future charges, and will not affect the benefits of any dues paid for the current year. All cancellation requests must be received by June 30 each year in order to ensure cancellation prior to the mid-July automatic renewal time.

Cancellation requests may be submitted by email to cs@legion.org or in writing to:

The American Legion Customer Service, PO Box 1954, Indianapolis, IN 46206

To complete a cancellation, the Legionnaire must include Member ID number, name, address, the last 4 digits of the credit/debit card number used, and a daytime telephone number in case customer-service representatives have any questions. Also helpful in the cancellation process is the transaction number that appears on the confirmation form received at the time automatic renewal is established.

Anytime members want to change the credit or debit card number used for the Automatic Renewal Program, or report a new expiration date, they can do so easily by calling the toll-free customer-service line at (800) 433-3318.

Submitted by Karen Paris, Post Adjutant

POST EVERLASTING CEREMONY

We cordially invite you to attend our Post Everlasting Ceremony. It will be held on Wednesday, July 3rd, 2013 at 7:30 pm in the American Legion Post 593 Hall to honor the below individuals and formally induct them into the American Legion Post Everlasting.

Invitations have been mailed out to the families of those being inducted. They were sent out to the last known addresses we have on file. If you are a family member of one of the inductees and your family has not received an invitation, please contact the post chaplain.

A Post Everlasting is a short dignified ceremony (20 - 30 minutes) that is held by The American Legion to honor our fallen comrades. Dinner will be served before the ceremony from 5:30 - 7pm for \$5.00. Coffee and cake will be served afterwards.

Post Everlasting Inductees:

Thomas Bowen, Jr.
Frank "Butch" Foerster, Jr.
Robert M. Horner
William J. Lawson
Elwin D. McSwain
Kenneth J. Toso

Edward D. Canivan (At family request, will be inducted at a later date.)
Nicholas Hensley
Patricia "Sissie" M. Lawson
Ronald Leggett, Past Commander
Charles "Chuck" F. Schermerhorn

For God and Country,

Dennis Ducharme, Post Chaplain

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July 2013

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 Dart League & Shuffleboard League	2 Rider Grill 6-8 pm ALR Exec. - 7:30 pm	3 Post Everlasting 730 (GMM Mtg) Meal served from 5:30 to 7:00 - \$5.00	4 <i>4th of July Party</i> 2pm - bring a covered dish - shuffleboard tourney at 3 pm	5 Shuffleboard Tourney \$5 - draw numbers at 7:15	6
7 Jam session @ 2pm Grill open from 2 pm to 4 pm	8 Dart League & Shuffleboard League	9 Rider Grill 6-8 pm ALR GMM - 7:30 pm	10 H & E Meeting 7 pm	11 Dart Grill 6-8 pm Dart League Legacy Mtg - 7:00	12 CFS 6-8 pm \$8 VA Visit & Wounded Warriors 6 pm Open to Public Shuffleboard Tourney 7:15pm	13 Breakfast \$6.00 All You Can Eat Open to the Public
14	15 Dart League & Shuffleboard League	16 Rider Grill 6-8 pm	17 Exec. Mtg Cancelled	18 Dart Grill 6-8 pm Dart League Legacy Mtg - 7:00	19 Shuffleboard Tourney \$5 - draw numbers at 7:15	20 Installation of Officers - 6 pm Food and Music Monthly Dart Tourney \$5 - draw numbers at 7:15 pm
21	22 Dart League & Shuffleboard League	23 Rider Grill 6-8 pm	24	25 Dart Grill 6-8 pm Dart League Legacy Mtg - 7 pm	26 Steak Night 6 - 8 pm \$13 Open to Public Shuffleboard Tourney \$5 - draw numbers 7:15	27
28 Ferrett GMM - 2 pm	29 Dart League & Shuffleboard League	30 Rider Grill 6-8pm SAL Mtg. 7:30 pm	31			



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



ALR Bike Night
EVERY Tuesday!
 Beer, Food & Friends!!

****Auxiliary has breakfast and steak night****

UP COMING EVENTS:

August 10th - Legacy Dinner
October 12th - SAL Golf Tourney - details to follow

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