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**The American Legion
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Judge Advocate: Joe Guastella
Historian: Ken Echerd
Service Officer: Sebastian Rodriguez
Sergeant At Arms: Rick White
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President: Michelle Muth
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Historian: Candy Zavala
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Sgt At Arms: Dennis Ducharme
Judge Advocate: Joe Guastella
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Commander's Corner



Greetings Legion Family!

Thanks to all who helped with NIOC and the Early Bird Dinner.

The paper recycling has become a bust. There has been no profit and they still haven't been out to claim the paper as of 16 October 2013. We have asked them to remove the recycle bin. St. Monica's church on the corner of Legion Dr. and FM 78 has 4 bins. They would love to have our papers.

Please don't forget that we are collecting food donations to pass out to needy families at Thanksgiving and Christmas. Donations boxes are available at the Post.

As part of our Veterans Day activities on November 10th we will be conducting a flag disposal ceremony at 2:00 PM.

For God and Country,

John Orff
Post Commander

Auxiliary News



Wow, it's November already!

We are collecting membership dues for the 2014 year! Please turn in your membership dues as soon as possible! We are really trying to reach 100% by the end of the year! Also, when paying your dues, please try to pay with a check. If not, please let myself or Tina know that you have left your dues at the Post so we can swing by and pick them up!

We have some GREAT events coming up so mark your calendars! On Saturday, December 14th we will be having the Kid's Christmas Party (we will have a sign-up sheet at the Post in November) and on Sunday, December 15th we will be hosting the annual Senior's Christmas Dinner!

Don't forget in January is our CASI Chili Cook Off. The Auxiliary will be having their annual silent auction and we are looking for new or slightly used items. Please get with Hanna Taylor or Sue Buckley if you have something you would like to donate.

Until Next Month.....Michelle Muth

Rider's Report

Happy Thanksgiving to our Legion Family. November is shaping up to be a busy month for the ALR. Nov 9 brings the Texas Honor Ride (THR) to SAMMC for their annual Fisher House Visit. We will assist THR with the fuel stop at Bucee's and also participate in Operation Over Pass.

On Nov 16, US Military Vets will host a Toy Ride from Post 593 with our assistance. This ride is open to everyone, and entry fee is a new/unwrapped toy. Toys donated will be presented to families at SAMMC.

Many Thanks to our post members for welcoming Operation Wounded Warrior for their annual visit.

Just a reminder, the Post Service officer has donation boxes in the canteen for non-perishable food items for Thanksgiving Baskets

Brown Zavala, ALR Director

SAL CORNER



Greetings Legion Family

Many thanks to all who helped with and played in our S.A.L. Fall Golf Classic. The turnout was great. Special thanks to Joe and Henri Falco for the great BBQ. Also thanks to the S.A.L. Executive Committee Officers, our S.A.L.-ly Chrissy Reed, Irma Ducharme, and Susan Brown. Hole sponsors were Rick and Candi White, Ken Echerd and AL Post 667. Many thanks to them. Again, thank you all who made this year's Fall Classic a huge success.

Reminder: there will be no chicken fried steak night in December. We will see everyone in January.

Thank you.
Henry Creech
S.A.L. Post 593 Detachment Commander

ACA to Impact Some Federal Employees

Starting in January under the Affordable Care Act, all individuals must maintain minimum health care coverage for themselves and all dependents claimed on their federal tax return, or must qualify for an exemption. Service members covered under the Federal Employees Health Benefits Program (including temporary continuation of coverage), Medicare, TRICARE and Children's Health Insurance Program meet the federal requirement. However, some civilian employees may not be covered, and should review their options in preparation for the 2013 Federal Benefits Open Season, Nov 11– Dec 9, 2013 when they can select qualifying health insurance. For more information, visit the [myPers website](#) or the [Internal Revenue Service website](#).

Contributed by:

Sebastian Rodriguez

DD 214

This was given out by another Post as where a veteran or a family member can get their DD 214 sent to them. Thought it might help...

<http://www.archives.gov/veterans/military-service-records/>

Only the veteran or a family member can request it.

HOLIDAY FOOD BASKETS

We are beginning to prepare Thanksgiving and Christmas food baskets for needy families in the Converse area. As usual many items are needed. There will be collection boxes available in the canteen. Please help to fill them up.

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, and brass. Contact John Orff for more information.

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.

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 post593newsletter@yahoo.com. Thanks for your support to save some dollars\$\$\$.

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS AFFECT TEXAS VETS

The following proposed amendments to the Texas Constitution that will affect Texas veterans and/or their families:

Amendment No. 1 (HJR 62):

The constitutional amendment authorizing the legislature to provide for an exemption from ad valorem taxation of all or part of the market value of the residence homestead of the surviving spouse of a member of the armed services of the United States who is killed in action.

Amendment No. 4 (HJR 24)

The constitutional amendment authorizing the legislature to provide for an exemption from ad valorem taxation of part of the market value of the residence homestead of a partially disabled veteran or the surviving spouse of a partially disabled veteran if the residence homestead was donated to the disabled veteran by a charitable organization.

Please take the time to vote on these and other issues Nov 5th

THANKSGIVING DINNER

POST 593 WILL BE HOSTING OUR ANNUAL THANKSGIVING DINNER ON THANKSGIVING DAY NOVEMBER 28TH. THE POST WILL PROVIDE THE TURKEY. THOSE ATTENDING ARE ASKED TO BRING SIDE DISHES, SALADS, OR DESSERTS. FOOD WILL BE SERVED AT 2:00 PM. COME OUT TO ENJOY SOME GREAT FOOD, FOOTBALL, AND GOOD FRIENDS FOR A TERRIFIC DAY.

FLAG DISPOSAL CEREMONY

Post 593 will be conducting a flag disposal on Sunday November 10th at 2:00 PM prior to and part of the Veteran's Day celebration.

Honor Our Own

Celebrate Veteran's Day at American Legion Post 593

Come spend the day with your local heroes. We hope you join our post to celebrate the efforts of all who have fought and continue to fight for the freedoms we cherish.



Sunday November 10, 2013

4-6 pm - Dinner will be Sausage or Hamburgers and please bring a side for all to enjoy

*6 pm - Crosshairs Comedy Show
(for "Adult" Military Humor)*

7-10 pm - DJ Carol with Karaoke

8 pm - 50/50 Drawing

Contact Pat Rudd @ 367-7568 with any questions

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November 2013

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1 Shuffleboard Tourney\$5 (draw numbers at 7:15)	2
3	4 Dart League & Shuffleboard League	5 Rider Grill 6-8 pm ALR Exec. Mtg. 7:30pm	6 GMM Mtg. 7:30 pm Dinner served from 5:30 to 7 pm	7 Grill 6 – 8 pm Dart League	8 CFS 6-8pm \$8.00 VA Visit Shuffleboard Tourney\$5 (draw numbers at 7:15)	9 Texas Honor Ride
10	11 Dart League & Shuffleboard League	12 Rider Grill 6-8 pm ALR GMM. Mtg. 7:30pm	13	14 Grill 6-8 pm Dart League Pool League	15 Shuffleboard Tourney\$5 (draw numbers at 7:15)	16 U.S. Military Vets Toy Run KSU 1030 am Dart Tourney \$5 – draw for partners at 7:15 pm
17	18 Dart League & Shuffleboard League	19 Rider Grill 6-8 pm	20 Exec. Mtg. 7:00 pm	21 Grill 6 – 8 pm Dart League Pool League	22 Shuffleboard Tourney \$5 (draw numbers at 7:15)	23
24	25 Dart League & Shuffleboard League	26 NO GRILL \$AL GMM – 7:30 pm	27	28 Thanksgiving Dinner 2 pm	29 Shuffleboard Tourney\$5 (draw numbers at 7:15)	30



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



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

****NO breakfast or steak night in November and December!****

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Saturday, December 14th – Kid's Christmas Party – 2 pm
 Sunday, December 15th – Seniors Christmas Dinner – 1 pm
 Friday, December 20th – Post Christmas Party in Canteen

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

Tuesday, December 31st – New Year's Eve Party

NO CFS in December!