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*Commander's Corner*



What a wonderful month we have before us. This is the time of year that we openly honor our Veterans on November 11<sup>th</sup>. This day is set aside to honor all of our Veterans, something Post 593 does all year long. This month there will be two ways to honor our Veterans, first you can thank the Veterans that you encounter in your daily lives. When you thank them do not forget to ask them if they are a Member of the American Legion. Second, honor their service by fulfilling your patriotic duty to get out and Vote. We live in a Country that allows us the right to voice our opinions, and the most important way to do that is to Vote. Vote in your City, County, State and National ballots. We as an American Legion recruit Veterans to show the numbers that desire proper benefits for our Veterans. Now is the time to make those numbers count by Voting.

We end the month by giving thanks. Be grateful for all that you have in this life. At the same time, you have the opportunity to assist those that may not have all that they need.

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*Auxiliary News*



Happy Turkey Day to you all!! First, I want to thank everyone that came out and paid their dues before or during the Early Bird Dinner. Please remember we are still asking everyone to pay their dues BEFORE December 31st. We really want to hit 100% and we need your help! If you know anyone that would like to be a member of the Auxiliary and there are eligible, lets' get them signed up! We have some great events coming up at Post 593 so make sure you look at the monthly calendar, but here are just a few:

**Friday, December 2nd – First Annual Quarter Auction (6 pm)** (see flyer)

**Sunday, December 11th – Kid's Christmas Party (1 pm)** – we will have a sign-up sheet at the post – make sure you sign up your children/grandchildren so Santa knows they will be there. We will post the sign-up sheet in November.

**Sunday, December 18th – Senior's Dinner (1 pm)** – this is always a great time – hope to see a good turn out again this year!!

**January 20, 21 and 22– Casi Chili Cook-Off** – we are looking for used or new items for the silent auction – this is one of our biggest fundraisers. Please see Michelle or Sue if you have anything you would like to donate!

Until Next Month...

Michelle Muth Unit 593 President

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We will have a donation basket up in the Canteen accepting food stuffs for Holiday Baskets. If you know of someone in need, please get with our Service Officer so We can assist them also during Thanksgiving and the Holiday Season.

This is OUR House  
Do what you can when you can

Danny Peter Muth  
Commander



**Tuesday  
November 8  
2016**

**ELECTRONIC NEWSLETTERS**

To get your name on the electronic delivery list, please send an email to [alpost593newsletter@yahoo.com](mailto:alpost593newsletter@yahoo.com). Thanks for your support to save some dollars\$\$\$.



*SAL News*

Hey folks,

We have changed our monthly meeting to the third Tuesday of the month and changed the time to start at 7pm. Please update your calendars.

The weekend of 14 - 16 October was awesome! First, there was Chicken Fried Steak Night on Friday. It was the Early Bird appreciation night and anyone who paid their dues for 2017 on or before that night got the meal for half price. We always have a great team of volunteers on CFS night and I want to thank them once again. It takes a lot of work to put on the meal for our Legion Family, the Vets & staff from the VA hospital and our guests. This includes shopping for supplies, all the prep work, the actual cooking & serving, and of course, the clean up. We do it month after month. It truly is a labor of love. So, thank you to the group that makes it happen: Henry Creech, Rick Moe, Joe Falco, Ken Echerd, Dan McGinnis, Dave Paris, Rick White and others I'll probably forget to mention. And a special thanks to all the folks who support us!

The next day, Saturday, our Post hosted the 20th District convention. Again, the SAL supported this event by cooking lunch. Again, we had a great bunch of folks who helped: Joe Falco, Mike Potter, Dave Paris and Marcelo Buckley rolled up their sleeves and went to work. We served about 50 hamburgers & cheeseburgers with all the fixins and fries in 22 minutes!

Then Sunday, the SAL supported the first Paul Crafton Memorial tailgate party by providing bratwursts with all the fixins. Again, Joe Falco was cooking with Dave Paris helping.

The following weekend, we held our Annual Golf Tournament at Northcliffe Golf Course. Another outstanding success! Definitely going to forget someone here, but thanks to Henry Creech, Dave Paris, Marcelo Buckley, Chris Reed, Brown & Candy Zavala, Joe Falco, Dan McGinnis, Catherine Macdonald, Melissa Webber, all the hole sponsors, all who donated for our goodie bags, door prizes and raffle items, and, of course, the golfers!

We're looking to increase our membership! If you or someone you know is eligible for the Sons, please sign up! Only \$15 a year. We need to lead the way in membership this year.

Happy Thanksgiving from your Sons Squadron to you and your families.

For God and Country,  
Dennis Ducharme  
Squadron 593 Commander

## *Riders Report*



Happy Veterans Day...to those who served we say Thank You! The weather is changing and the Holidays are right around the corner. Texas Honor Ride is scheduled for 12 Nov 16. We will man the pumps at Bucee's to refuel the riders from Houston who are delivery monetary donations to the Fisher House on Ft Sam. KSU from Post 593 at 0800. Remember to dress accordingly for the ride. Operation Overpass is also on 12 Nov 16, contact Cathrine McDonald for details. The Post Service Officer is collecting canned/dry goods for this year's Thanksgiving Baskets...please drop donations in boxes located in the Canteen. Don't forget to VOTE!

Keep Your Knees in the Breeze!  
Brown Zavala  
ALR Director, Post 593

### ***VOLUNTEERS NEEDED BY THE MEMORIAL SERVICES DETACHMENT FORT SAM HOUSTON NATIONAL CEMETERY***

The purpose of this article is to make YOU aware of the Memorial Services Detachment (MSD) Honor Guard which was created in December 1991. All funds are from donations only which are solicited yearly from major corporations and government entities. Current membership is 96 recruits ranging from 72 to 88 years of age. Eligibility is a DD Form 214. Five squads - Weekly squads consists of 14-20 persons and each squad having a specific day. Average yearly expenditures for the MSD are \$12 to \$15 thousand dollars. What MSD would like as assistance: Help with recruiting, Funds, preferably recurring such as quarterly or yearly, get the word out on the MSD. This is a thankless service that MANY people are not aware of until needed. The Leaderships is continually looking for ways to better the MSD by recruiting, soliciting funds and sponsors, and awareness of the MSD. The Memorial Services Detachment (MSD) needs volunteers to serve as Honor Guard members. If you are a military veteran with an Honorable Discharge from any military service and have a free one-day a week, you may be able to volunteer and become a member. Uniforms are provided and prior honor guard experience is not necessary. Training will be provided. You may wear decorations listed on your DD214. We use the M1 Garand rifle to render the three-volleys of fire; we have several buglers who sound Taps, and we also use the electronic bugle when our buglers are not available. Be part of this legacy of final respect and honor to our fellow veterans! For more information contact the present Commander, Abel Araiza at 210-569-9861 or e-mail at [abel.araiza@att.net](mailto:abel.araiza@att.net).

Marcelo M. Buckley  
Sgt at Arms

# November 2016

| Sunday  | Monday                    | Tuesday   | Wednesday                          | Thursday   | Friday                    | Saturday  |
|---|---------------------------|---|------------------------------------|--|---------------------------|---|
|  |                           | 1<br><b>ALR Exec. Mtg.</b><br>7:30pm  | 2<br><b>GMM Mtg.</b><br>7:30 pm    | 3<br>Dart League   | 4                         | 5   |
| 6<br>Football Sunday<br>Dallas at Cleveland<br>Noon                                 | 7<br>Shuffleboard League  | 8<br>Rider Grill 6-7:15<br>Grilled Cheese/Tomato<br>Soup \$5<br><b>ALR GMM Mtg.</b><br>7:30pm | 9                                  | 10<br>Dart League<br>Pool League   | 11<br><b>Veterans Day</b> | 12<br><b>Texas Honor Ride</b><br><b>Operation Overpass</b>  |
| 13<br>Football Sunday<br>Dallas at Pittsburgh<br>3:25PM                             | 14<br>Shuffleboard League | 15<br><b>SAL Mtg. - 7:30 pm</b>   | 16<br><b>Exec. Mtg.</b><br>7:00 pm | 17<br>Dart League<br><b>Tri-City Flyers</b><br>Grill 6 PM                        | 18                        | 19<br><b>Shuffleboard</b><br><b>Tourney - 4 pm</b><br><b>Aux Grill 5:30 pm</b><br><b>Dart Tourney 7:15 pm</b> |
| 20<br>Football Sunday<br>Baltimore at Dallas<br>Noon                                | 21<br>Shuffleboard League | 22  | 23                                 | 24<br><b>Thanksgiving Day</b><br>Post Festivities start<br>at 2 PM, Bring a side | 25                        | 26  |
| 27<br>Football Sunday<br>Washington at Dallas<br>3:25PM                             | 28<br>Shuffleboard League | 29  | 30                                 |  |                           |   |

## ZUMBA

Every Tuesday  
At 6:15 pm - \$3



### UPCOMING EVENTS:

**Dec 2nd Auxiliary Quarter Auction**  
**Dec 3rd District Christmas Party**  
**Dec 11th Kids Christmas Party**

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

Get your Newsletter by email by sending an email to:  
[alpost593newsletter@yahoo.com](mailto:alpost593newsletter@yahoo.com)

**Friendly Reminder:**

**There is NO**

**Monthly Breakfast**

**Chicken Fried Steak**

**Or Steak Night**

**In November or December.**

**We will start back up in**

**January 2017!!**

**Thank you!**

**American Legion Post 593**

**Converse, Texas—POST 593**  
**MONTHLY SHUFFLEBOARD**  
**TOURNAMENT**

**Saturday, November 19, 2016**

Blind Draw

\$5.00 per person

4:00 pm first game starts.

First 24 signed up get to play.

**Sign up is at 3:30 pm.**

**ALWAYS A GOOD TIME!**

Dart Tournament sign up is at 7:15 that night and play starts at 7:30 pm.

The Auxiliary will have a grill starting at 5:30 pm

Menu to be determined—\$6.00.

Will serve until 8 pm or we run out.



# HAPPY THANKSGIVING



*American Legion Post 593*

*Thanksgiving Celebration!*

*Join your family and friends for Thanksgiving!*

*The Post will supply the meat*

*(turkey and ham).*

*All we ask of you is to bring your favorite*

*Thanksgiving side dish or dessert!*

*When: Thursday, November 24th*

*Where: American Legion Post 593*

*Time: 2:00 pm*

*\*\*Shuffleboard tournament at 3:00 pm\*\**

# Quarter Auction

Sponsored by:

Women's Auxiliary Unit 593

326 W. Legion Dr.  
Converse, Texas



**December, 2 2016**

**6:00 pm**

Limited Seating

Auction Items and Vendors Needed

Please RSVP by November 15



For more information, Contact Melissa Webber 217-461-1120