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Commander's Corner



Greetings Legionnaires.
The 94th National Convention approved a new Stolen Valor Act. The House has also done so by a 410-3 vote. This shows us that

The American Legion acting as one still has political clout.

The September 15th benefit to aid Keith and Megan Bock was very impressive. The ALR once again did a wonderful job of demonstrating Legionnaires helping Legionnaires. Kudos.

When you see Henry Creech or Joe Falco, pat them on the back. They did a very wonderful job on the hall and the POW/MIA corner.

The September General Membership meeting voted to make the hall a non-smoking area. Hopefully this will make the hall more desirable for rentals.

For God and Country

John Orff, Post Commander

Auxiliary News



What happened to September??? Can you believe Halloween is right around the corner and then Thanksgiving and then Christmas!!! The next couple of months for the Auxiliary are going to be very busy!!

I want to thank everyone that came out to the Post for the Labor Day party! Once again it was a huge success and thank you to all that made it a great success! The VA held its Annual Ice Cream Social on September 8th – they served over 200 patients! Thanks to all that donated their time and went out there to help! I also want to thank everyone that came out and supported the Bock Family in one way or another! What a great event!!

Some upcoming events are the adult Halloween party that will be on Friday, October 26th – this will be the same night as "Stake" Night – so come out and have a great meal and dress

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Rider's Report

As the weather starts to change, so does the Riders Schedule. Riders we are moving into the fall and winter season, which is one of the busiest times for our organization. I would like to challenge each of you to attend as many of the events that you can and show your support for your group. The ride to Junction,

Texas went off without a "hitch". The OWW group from New Mexico and Arizona traveled with approximately 37 people, along with motorcycles, trikes, and vehicles full of donations for the Warrior Family Support Center on Ft. Sam Houston and Lackland Air Force Base. I would be remiss if I didn't say Thank You to Aaron Dean and the group for feeding us with the "Green" Chili. I want to say thank you to all of those who rode and attended the WFSC Bar-b-Que. Also, I want to inform everyone that the Legion Kid's Halloween Party will be held on October 27, 2012 from 5-9 p.m. Please come out and support our very own Felisa Ramirez. What a great showing of support and love for the event held by John and Stephanie Bock. Riders we exceeded the expectations of attendees and monies raised. All I can say is that is what we do. We excel with everything we do. Some other upcoming events are as follows: November 10, Texas Honor Ride, November 11, Post Veteran's Day Party. We are looking for at least 30 volunteers to assist with the refueling operation at Buc-ees for the Texas Honor Ride to be held November 10, 2012. If you have never attended this event I think you will be overwhelmed with the overflowing support from the hundreds of motorcyclist enthusiasts and from those who have served in the military, law enforcement, firefighters, etc. that continue to serve their country. Please, check the Facebook page for the details for each week. Do what you can, when you can.

—Brad Martin

Director, Post 593 Riders

Sons of the American Legion



S.A.L. Corner:

A big thanks to S.A.L Commander, Henry Creech and Chris Reed, Joe Falco, and Marcelo Buckley and their staff in a job well done!!! Everyone had fun, the weather was awesome, the people were awesome, the food was awesome,

the door prizes were awesome. I think it safe to say the event was AWESOME! A special thank you for the City Of Windcrest for hosting our event and a super thank you to the City Of Converse Mayor Al Suarez and his staff for their support! We also want to thank all our Sponsors for the generous door prizes they donated. Last but not least thank you Terry Smith our Post Canteen Manager and Audrey, bartender on duty for this great event. And to all the Golfers that attended, THANK YOU! Hope to see you all again next year.

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in your scariest!! The Children's Halloween Party will be Saturday, October 27th – please see Felisa if you would like to volunteer. Also, on Saturday, October 20th there will be an Auxiliary Leadership Training class at Post 592 from 8:30 am to 11:30 am with a light lunch afterwards.

The CASI Chili Cook Off will be here before you know it! Once again, the Auxiliary will be having a silent auction! This is one of our biggest fundraisers! If you have anything new or gently used you would like to donate please see Hanna Taylor, Sue Buckley or myself!

FYI – Early Bird Dinner is Friday, October 12th – PAY YOUR DUES TO TINA ASAP!!!

Until Next Month.....

Michelle Smith
ALA President

ADJUTANT NEWS – Birthday Board

Many have asked how their names get on the birthday board. You have to tell the Adjutant or Secretary when your birthday is. We don't know.

The Legion and the SAL membership applications DO NOT ask for date of birth. The Auxiliary application DOES ask.

So...if you want your birthday on the board...tell the bartender and they will add it to the list given to them and I will update the database for the next year. If you want to help out, add DOB to the application you give to your eligible friends and family.

If you note an error in birthdays, same suggestion..tell the Adjutant or Secretary. We will be happy to make corrections.

Oh, another thing, if you have a change in your address or phone number, tell us that too. Thank all of you for your support.

Early bird season is here. Renew your 2013 membership now. Let's get 100% membership for all four groups!

The electronic Newsletter Mailing List is building nicely, 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 al-post593newsletter@yahoo.com. Thanks for your support to save some dollars\$\$\$.

American Legion Issues Report

The American Legion has published a special report on key election issues geared toward candidates for national office, their challengers, voters and others who are interested. The 28 page report, "Our Pillars, Your Platform" pinpoints the Legion's stand on the most critical issues of today such as veteran's healthcare, jobs and education for returning service members, immigration, benefits and more. The report is available on the American Legion Website.

To keep up with legislation and laws that affect service members and veterans and make your voice heard with politicians, visit the Military.com Legislation Center.

ADULT HALLOWEEN PARTY

"STAKE" NIGHT FRIDAY OCTOBER 26

COSTUME CONTEST

SHUFFLEBOARD TOURNAMENT

MUSIC AND DANCING

"STAKE" DINNERS ON SALE AT 6:00 PM

ONLY \$13.00

COME HAVE A GREAT MEAL AND A GREAT TIME!

EARLYBIRD DINNER

FRIDAY OCT 12 6:00 PM TO 8:00 PM

CHICKEN FRIED STEAK DINNER

ONLY \$4.00 FOR EARLYBIRD MEMBERS

PUFL MEMBERS ARE EARLYBIRDS TOO

ALL OTHERS \$8.00

JOIN US!

THANKSGIVING FOOD BASKETS

THE POST IS PREPARING FOR OUR ANNUAL DONATION OF FOOD BASKETS FOR NEEDY FAMILIES FOR THANKSGIVING.

DONATION BOXES WILL BE PLACED IN THE CANTEEN FOR GATHERING CANNED GOODS, DRY STAPLES, OR DESSERT FIXINGS. BASKETS WILL BE GIVEN OUT THE WEEKEND OF NOV 17TH.

IF YOU KNOW OF A NEEDY FAMILY, PLEASE CONTACT OUR SERVICE OFFICER, SEBASTION RODRIGUEZ



American Legion Post 593 Children's Halloween Festival

October 27, 2012

5:00 – 9:00 pm

Open to the public:
children 11yrs & younger



October 2012

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 Dart League & Shuffleboard League Monday Night Mania 16 oz Miller Lite Can \$2	2 Rider Grill 6-8 pm Wings, FF \$5 ALR Exec. Mtg. 7:30pm	3 <u>GMM Mtg. 7:30pm</u> <u>Meal Served</u> <u>5:30-7:00 pm</u>	4 Dart Grill 6-8 pm Dart League	5 NIOC Shuffleboard Tourney \$5 (draw numbers at 7:15)	6 NIOC – Turkey Leg Booth	
7 Football Frenzy Come out and enjoy Happy Hour prices all day and night!!	8 Dart League & Shuffleboard League Monday Night Mania 16 oz Miller Lite Can \$2	9 Rider Grill 6-8 pm TBD ALR GMM Mtg. 7:30pm	11 Dart Grill 6 – 8 pm Dart League	12 CFSVA Visit 6-8 pm \$8.00 EARLY BIRD DINNER Shuffleboard Tourney \$5 (Draw numbers at 7:15)	13 Breakfast 8-11 am \$6 all you can eat!!	
14 Football Frenzy Come out and enjoy Happy Hour prices all day and night!!	15 Dart League & Shuffleboard League Monday Night Mania 16 oz Miller Lite Can \$2	16 Rider Grill 6-8 pm TBD	18 Dart Grill 6 – 8 pm Dart League	19 Shuffleboard Tourney \$5 (draw numbers at 7:15)	20 Dart Tourney \$5 – draw for partners at 7:30	
21 Football Frenzy Come out and enjoy Happy Hour prices all day and night!! Ferret Club 1 – 5 pm	22 Dart League & Shuffleboard League Monday Night Mania 16 oz Miller Lite Can \$2	23 Rider Grill 6-8 pm Chili Dogs & Chips \$5	25 Dart Grill 6 – 8 pm Dart League	26 “Stake” Night \$13 Shuffleboard Tourney \$5 (draw numbers at 7:15)	27 Kid's Halloween Party 5 pm – 9 pm	
28 Football Frenzy Come out and enjoy Happy Hour prices all day and night!!	29 Dart League & Shuffleboard League Monday Night Mania 16 oz Miller Lite Can \$2	30 Rider Grill 6-8 pm TBD SAL GMM – 7:30 pm				



ZUMBA
 Every Tuesday
 At 6 pm - \$5



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

** Legion has Breakfast and Steak Night **

UPCOMING EVENTS:

OCTOBER 26th - Adult Halloween Party 8 pm - Prize for best dressed!!

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

Please feel free to bring snacks on Sunday and Monday for the football games!