

William M. Randolph, Post 593

The American Legion Of The United States of America

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October 2021

Hours of Operation

Monday--2pm—9pm Tue-Thurs: 2pm—10pm Friday: 2pm — 1am Saturday: Noon — 1 am Sunday: Noon — 8pm (Hours may vary due to business)

Post 593 Officers:

Commander: Dennis Ducharme
1st Vice: Ed Richards
2nd Vice: Joe Falco
Adjutant: Nick Mills
Finance: Ray Barger
Chaplain: Kelly Mosely
Judge Advocate: Danny Muth
Historian: Kelly Osvold
Service Officer: Brad Martin
Sgt At Arms: George Alva
Hubmaster: Dennis Ducharme
Members at Large: Henry Creech,
Jack Leanhart, Jimmy May, Art
Osvold, Ken Rodd,

Auxiliary Officers:

President: Sandy Vinson Vice President: Robin Alva Secretary: Amanda Silvas Treasurer: Sue Buckley Historian: Vacant Chaplain: Irma Ducharme Sgt At Arms: Donna Grimmer Members at Large: Rosie Cherry, Michelle Muth, Patricia Perdok

Sons of the American Legion:

Commander: Joe Falco
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Sgt At Arms: Ed Richards
Judge Advocate: Henry Creech
Members At Large:
Rick Moe, Ken Rodd

ALR Officers:

Director: Paul Goymerac Asst Director: Greg Spatz Secretary: Becky Spatz Treasurer: Robin Alva Road Captain: Sean Lowder Membership: Amy Reed Sgt At Arms: Robert Hendricks Chaplain: Ed Richards Service Officer: Daniel Riggs Historian: Alice Wagener Members at Large: Jim Rusick, Matt Scott, John Zimmerman

Commander's Comments



September was a busy month!

The Texas Hold-Em game, Labor Day Picnic, Tuesday Coffee and Donuts, Chicken

Fried Steak Night, Breakfast, 911 Twentieth Anniversary Commemoration Ceremony, Jam Session Grill, Copacabana Night, Air Force's Birthday, the 20th District Golf Tournament, several folks attend the Department Executive Committee conference in Austin, and Steak Night. The ALR supported a couple of other chapters in their events and participated in honoring a long time Post 593 member and Service Officer, Sebastian Rodriguez, as he was laid to rest at Ft. Sam National Cemetery. And a few members volunteered their time twice to help the City of Converse build a new park located on Old Cimarron Trail. Whew!

Special shout out to two folks: Robin Alva for the awesome job she did singing the National Anthem and Ken Rupkalvis for playing Taps during the 911 commemoration ceremony. Another shout out to the canteen staff for throwing the awesome Copacabana Night party. Everyone had a great time and will be talking about it for quite some time. And a final shout out to Ken Rodd for all of the door prizes he either made or went out and got donations for the Air Force's 74th birthday. Much appreciated!

Well, October will be busier, if you can believe it! Add all the regular events to these events: Nite in 'Ole Converse will be 1-3 Oct. The Riders will have the Parking Detail, while the Legion will be selling turkey legs. Sign-up sheets are hanging at the Post for both.

We will have a float in the parade on 2 October.

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Auxiliary News



Fall is officially here and that means lots of fun events coming up! We are already planning several Auxiliary hosted ones that we would love to have you come out to

support. Please, do join us on October 6th for our monthly general membership meeting. We really enjoy having your input and ideas that contribute to making these occasions a success.

First on the list is our Chicken Fried Steak Early Bird Dinner on October 8th, hosted by SAL, and is free for those that have renewed early or pays them that evening. We have been challenged this year by our Department President, Ms. Teresa Simmons Copeland, to be at 100% of our goal by our 101st Anniversary December 20th and I know we can do this!!! If you have any questions about membership, please reach out to Ms. Robin Alva and she'll be happy to assist. Remember, you can renew online at https://www.legion-aux.org/renew/ as well.

Our 20th District Fall Convention this year will be on Saturday, October 9th, at Post 667 in Universal City. All members are welcome to attend. We always learn something new and have a great time when we get together so I really hope you can join us.

Next, we have a really fun event planned on Saturday, October 16th. Please see our flyer attached for the details of our Auxiliary Lasagna Dinner. It's back and going to be so much fun! This is one of our largest fundraisers of the year in support of Girls State and Cancer Research. Along with being really yummy, we will have a DJ, 50/50 drawing, and door prizes. So excited this is back!!

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On 5 October we'll have a table set up at the Converse Park for National Night Out. Our Early Bird dinner will be on Friday, 8 October. If you renew your membership for 2022 before the 8th you'll enjoy a free chicken fried steak dinner on the 8th. The Navy's birthday is on Wednesday, 13 October. The Auxiliary is holding their Lasagna Dinner on Saturday, 16 October. The SAL has its annual golf tournament on Sunday, 17 October. We're always looking for both hole sponsors and players! The ALR will hold its first Scavenger Hunt on Saturday, 9 October and then host the Wellness4Warriors fundraiser at our Post on Saturday, 23 October. I understand they're expecting over 30 vendors and 250 riders that day. Come out and support as many events as you can this month. They'll all be fun and exciting!

Football is back and we're encouraging you to come out and watch it at the Post.

I keep saying it, but sincerely, thank you to all of you that get involved and make it happen. Thank you to the volunteers, to the ones who come out and support and the ones that keep encouraging us to continue. We have a great Post, great Legion Family members and wonderful staff.

I can't let a newsletter article go without talking about membership! Membership is the lifeblood of any organization and ours is no different! Recruit, recruit!

Have you noticed how great the landscaping is around our Post? Thank you Brad Martin for keeping it looking sharp!

While I'm at it, thanks to Joe Falco for producing the newsletter month after month, Danny Muth for emailing it out every month and Paul Goymerac for getting it printed and folded.

If you have an idea for a future event, or if you'd like to get involved, let us know....let me know. We'd love to hear it and we'd love to see you.

For God and Country,

Dennis Ducharme Post Commander

August Meals Quick Reference

October 8, Chicken Fried Steak Dinner, 5-7PM	FREE if dues paid
October 6, Chicken Fried Steak Diffiler, 5-7 FW	FREE II dues paid
October 9, Breakfast, 8-11AM	\$7.00
October 10, Jam Session Grill, 1-3PM	\$7.00
October 14, Burger Grill, 5:30-7:30PM	\$7.00
October 29, STAKE Night, 6-8PM	\$15.00

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Happening before you know it, for the rest of the year, we have the Kid's Christmas Party, Senior's Dinner, and more coming up!! We always have a lot of fun activities going on so please check out our monthly newsletter calendar for even more of them. Also, if you would like to help with any of these fun activities, please reach out. We truly appreciate your continued support.

Until next time, may you and yours stay safe and healthy, Sandy Vinson
ALA President Unit 593
aux593info@gmail.com



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Howdy SAL and Post 593.

Two big weekends coming up. The first is the Early Bird Dinner, scheduled for October 8th. If you have your Legion, Aux, or SAL dues for 2021 paid, you can enjoy

a FREE Chicken Fried Steak meal that evening.

The second is our Annual Golf Tournament. That will be on Oct 17th. We're anticipating a great turnout this year. If you'd like information on playing or sponsoring a hole, please seek out an SAL member, and we'll get you all the information.

With the new Legion year, it would be really nice to see some new faces at our monthly meetings and events. Our Monthly General Membership Meeting is always on the 3rd Tuesday of the month. This month it'll be on August 17th, 7:00PM. Hope to see you there.

Be safe and be well, Joe Falco Squadron 593 Commander

Please see 1st Vice Commander Ed Richards if you need to renew for 2022. You can also leave your dues with the bartender (make sure you write your name and membership ID number on the envelope) and we'll get you the new card right away. As always, you can renew online at mylegion.org and print your membership card; you can send in your reminder renewal form. It is always a perfect time to renew or join! Bring in your friends, family, and neighbors to register for the Legion (and check eligibility for Auxiliary and Sons as well!). Remember, the American Legion has updated membership eligibility—now any person who has served in active duty in the United States Armed Forces since December 7, 1941, and have been honorably discharged or are still serving, you are eligible to join.

On October 5th the Post will have a booth at the Converse National Night Out in North Converse Park. You will also be able to renew or join. Please come out and support the Police of Converse.

Do not forget that October 8th will be our Early Bird Chicken Fired Steak Night. All you need to do is to have paid your renewal or joint Post 593 prior to the start of the CFS night.

The Post is also hosting Coffee and Donuts Every Tuesday from 9-11 AM for all of our Legion Family. Please come out and enjoy.

Ed Richards 1st Vice Commander



Riders Report





Greetings ALR riders, I hope September has been a great month to enjoy the tail end of the summer weather. As temperatures start cooling down, ALR events start heating up. As we prepare for several upcoming events, there are a few items that I would like to update you on. First, our primary objective going forward into the new membership year is to increase membership and accommodate your needs as riders. As a result, we will continue to provide snacks and food at each General Membership meeting. We want to increase the involvement of all riders and ensure your voices are heard. Second, for the past month, we have been reviewing and discussing current bylaws to ensure they help guide us on planning and preparing support for our community, riders, and support staff. As a result, we formed a committee to address possible changes that surfaced from our members at large and National Resolution 5 that was recently released. Third, our Executive Meeting dates and times have temporarily changed. We are conducting the monthly Executive Committee meetings on the first Tuesday of each month at 7:30 pm. General Membership meetings will remain as is, second Tuesday at 7:30 pm. This change will allow more time to prepare for GMM, ample time to accurately collect, prepare, and present Exec. Committee minutes, and allow the Director to post upcoming GMM agenda items several days prior to the meeting. We are confident that this approach will ensure members are more informed and lead to better attendance/ support.

During October, we will be actively participating in several events beginning with Nights in Ole Converse from 1 – 3 October; Scavenger Hunt on the 9th; Post 179th Wurst Run on 23 October as well as Post 593rd Wellness 4 Warriors Expo that same day. During October, we also have another Veterans Helping Veterans mission within the community. All these events except Veterans Helping Veterans have flyers posted online for specific details. For additional information or to inquire about partaking in our events, please email us at ALR593Converse@gmail.com Thanks for your continued support and we all look forward to seeing you in October. God bless our Riders, Families, and Veterans alike.

Thanks!

Paul (Gomer) Goymerac Post 593 ALR Director

Already October!

Thank you to everyone who came out for the Copacabana Party! It was a great success.

Football Season is in full swing and we have drink specials, beer bucket specials, and good fun every Sunday! Come out and join us.

October 29 is "Stake Night". Wear your favorite costume, enjoy a great dinner and music. Watch for some special surprises.

Thank you, Traci Permenter Post Home Manager The Holiday Season is quickly approaching. We'll be doing our Thanksgiving and Christmas food baskets once again. Watch for information and flyers around the Post and in this publication for the needed items.



Brad Martin
Post 593 Service Officer

American Legion Post 593

October 2021

Phone: 210-658-1111



Looking Ahead (events subject to change)

November 6 Veterans Day Ceremony

November 13

Operation Overpass

Thanksgiving Dinner November 26

Book your Holiday Party Today!!

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
HALL®	WEEN	Reminder, C Fried Steak, Steak Nigh Al	Reminder, October meals, (Breakfast, Chicken Fried Steak, Jam Session Grill, Flyers Grill and Steak Night) wrap up for the year in October. All will resume in January.	kfast, Chicken Iyers Grill and ar in October. iary.	Night in Ole Converse	Night in Ole Converse
Night in Ole Converse	4	5 Coffee & Doughnuts 9-11AM ALR Exec Mtg 7:30 PM	6 Post General Membership Meeting 7:30PM	7 Flyers Group Grill Open 5:30PM Pool League 8PM Dart League 7PM	Early Bird Chicken Fried Steak Dinner 6-8PM	Breakfast 8-11AM \$7.00 Riders Scavenger Hunt 9AM
Jam Session 12PM Grill open 1-3PM	£	Coffee & Doughnuts 9-11AM ALR Gen Mbr Mtg 7:30 PM	73 Navy Birthday Celebration 2PM See Flyer	74 Pool League 8PM Dart League 7PM	15	76 Auxiliary Lasagna Dinner 5PM
SAL Golf Tournament		offee & Doughnuts 9-11AM SAL General Membership Mtg 7:00PM	0 Post Exec Mtg, 7:00 pm	Pool League 8PM Dart League 7PM		23 Wellness For Warriors Event 9:30AM
PALESWEIN 31		26 Coffee & Doughnuts 9-11AM	27	28 Pool League 8PM Dart League 7PM	29 Stake Night 6-8PIN \$15.00	30

Tuesday Morning Coffee and Doughnuts



Tuesday Mornings
Time: 9-11AM

Come join for complimentary coffee and doughnuts, fellowship, and good conversation.

Every Tuesday Morning, from 9-11 AM

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Early Bird Chicken Fried Steak Dinner

Your meal is FREE with your paid-up 2021-2022 Dues

Time: 6:00-7:30 PM
Date: October 8, 2021



Hand breaded
Chicken Fried
Steak, Mashed
Potatoes, Gravy,
choice of
Vegetable, Dinner
roll.

Karaoke and music to follow for your singing and dancing pleasure.
All for the bargain price of \$10.00 per plate.

Information: 210-658-1111

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Eat in or take out

Breakfast

Eggs cooked to order, Omelets, Pancakes, French Toast, Bacon, Sausage, Hash Browns, Toast, Fresh Fruit, Pastries, Coffee, Juice

All you can eat for the bargain price of

\$7.00 per plate

Date: October 9, 2021

Time: 8:00-11:00 AM

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To-Go orders available.

American Legion Riders Post 593 First Ever Scavenger Hunt

Come Join us for our very first Scavenger Hunt Ride!!!!

October 9th, 2021

Registration Starts at 9am

KSU @ 10:45am First two groups out

(There will be 20 mins between each group)

Scavenger Hunt Ends @ 3PM

We will allow 30 mins for everyone to return to the Post

No Pictures will be accepted after 3:30pm. Time Stamp on pictures need to be before 3pm.

\$20 per Rider \$10 per Passenger

Groups at a max of 6 people including passengers

There will be 5 stops including your final stop back at Post 593

90 miles 2Hrs and 6min ride time not including time at the stops.

Payout for First and Second Place

2 Hotdogs and Chip plates \$5.00

Lunch is included with Riders Registration. Passengers and all others must purchase meal tickets.

Call Winners and 50/50 drawing @ 4:30pm

Also Breakfast that woming from 8-11 All you can eat for \$7.00



Monthly Jams of the San Antonio Steel Guitar
Association are held the second Sunday of the
month from 2 PM to 5 PM at American Legion
Post 593. The musical jams are free and open to
the public. Food and drink are available for sale,
and a donation can is passed to help benefit the
Warrior and Family Support Center at Fort Sam
Houston, San Antonio, Texas.

October 10, 2021 1:00-5:00PM

Grill open 1-3:30PM

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U.S. NAVY BIRTHDAY PARTY
Wednesday, October 13th
2:00 PM TILL CLOSING
American Legion Post 593
326 Legion Drive W
Converse, TX

\$2.00 DOMESTIC BEERS FOR ALL VETERANS OF THE U.S. NAVY

Numerous free gift drawings from open to close for NAVY VETERANS

(a minimum of at least one drawing per hour)

Be a proud U.S. NAVY VETERN Wear your Navy "Colors" Who knows, somebody may buy you a birthday beer



HAPPY 246th BIRTHDAY

From American Legion Post 593

Flyers Grill Burger Night

Hamburgers/Cheeseburgers, FF and dessert for \$7.00 per plate

Date: October 14, 2021

Time: 5:30-7:30PM

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Info: 210-658-1111



IT'S BACK!!!!

AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY, UNIT 593, LASAGNA DINNER!

When: Saturday, October 16th

Where: American Legion Post 593, 326 W. Legion Drive,

Converse, TX 78109

What: Lasagna, Salad, Garlic Bread and Dessert

Time: 5 pm - 7 pm (or until we run out)

Price: \$10.00

DJ from 6 pm to 10 pm
50/50 Drawing
Door Prizes throughout the night



PROCEEDS GO TO GIRLS STATE AND CANCER RESEARCH



Sons of The American Legion Annual Golf Tournament Squadron 593

Olympia Hills Golf and Event Center, Universal City, TX Sunday, October 17th, 2021 8 am Shotgun Start (7:30 am Show Time) Includes a Meal and Drinks at the Post Afterwards

Great Fun for All!

\$70 per person or 1 payment of \$280 per 4 person team. Contact David Paris at: (210) 325-3874 or Joe Falco at: (210) 722-4316

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Ask about sponsoring a hole!

Proceeds go towards Boy's State, Child Welfare and Veterans' Programs

Sign Up Sheet on Reverse Side Open to the Public!

(You do not have to be a Legion member to play.)

6th Annual Wellness Exp®

Saturday, 23 October 2021

Ansiningh Auction



For more information or to secure a vendor booth, contact:

Shaunnesey Rodriguez: (210) 300-1112

Shaunnesey@Wellness4Warriors.org

Learn More: www.wellness4warriors.org

Open to the Public 9:30 am - 4:00 pm

"Warrior Ride" Departing at 10:30 am

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"Proceeds Support Veterans and Community Support Programs st Co-sponsored by American Legion Riders, Post 593





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Date: October 29, 2021

Time: 6:00-8:00PM

Information: 210-658-1111

Eat in or take out

13 oz Ribeye, cooked to order, Baked Potato, choice of

Vegetable, Salad, and Dinner rolls.

Costume Contest, Games, Prizes

All for the incredibly low price of \$15.00 per plate.

Come on out for a great meal, music, and fellowship.

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