

#### William M. Randolph, Post 593

#### The American Legion Of The United States of America

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September 2022

#### **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: Henry Creech
2nd Vice: Vacant
Adjutant: Nick Mills
Finance: Ray Barger
Chaplain: Kelly Warrell
Judge Advocate: Danny Muth
Historian: Bill Nupp
Service Officer: Brad Martin
Sgt At Arms: Michael Schumann
Hubmaster: Dennis Ducharme
Members at Large: Marcelo Buckley,
Ken Echerd, Jimmy May, Ed Richards,
Ken Rodd

#### Auxiliary Officers:

President: Candy Zavala Vice President: Irma Ducharme Secretary: Karen Paris Treasurer: Sue Buckley Historian: Sandy Vinson Chaplain: Michelle Muth Sgt At Arms: Donna Grimmer Members at Large: Robin Alva, Rosie Cherry, Donna Linaraz

#### Sons of the American Legion:

Commander: Bill Cox 1st Vice: Tommy Allmon 2nd Vice: Vacant Adjutant: George Alva Membership Chair: Rick Moe Finance: Dave Paris Chaplain: George Alva Historian: Tommy Allmon Sgt At Arms: Brad Martin Judge Advocate: Henry Creech Members At Large: Mike Potter, Ken Rodd

#### ALR Officers:

Director: Paul Goymerac Asst Director: Ed Richards Secretary: vacant Finance: Robin Alva Road Captain: Sean Lowder Membership: Amy Reed Sgt At Arms: Robert Hendricks Chaplain: George Alva Service Officer: Daniel Riggs Historian: Alice Wagener Members at Large: Analou Eisner, Dave Halstead, Brandon Riggs, Matt Scott

#### Commander's Comments



My Fellow Legionnaires,

School is back in session, NFL football begins on Thursday, September 8<sup>th</sup>, and the first day of Autumn is on Thursday, September 22<sup>nd</sup>.

This is also the time of year where we really want to encourage everyone to renew their Legion membership for 2023 and to go out and recruit at least one new member. It's easy to renew on-line. Just go to mylegion.org and, if you haven't already, register for a new account. Click on "Register," at the top right, then enter your email addresses, click "Next," and follow the prompts. You can print out your new 2023 membership card once you renew. This will save the Post time and money, since we won't have to mail the card to you. Plus, if you renew by October 14th, you'll become an "early bird" and receive a free chicken fried steak dinner that night as a thank you for renewing. Win -win!

Shout out to the ALR for helping a veteran repair his fence and gate – well done! And another shout out to Henry Creech for repairs he's completed in our restroom. Great job!

Starting on September 1<sup>st</sup>, vaping will no longer be permitted inside the Post home. Please go out to the smoking decks to vape.

If you're able to, please show up for our General Membership Meeting on September 7<sup>th</sup> at 7:30pm. We'll be taking a vote to change the start time of the General Membership Meetings from 7:30pm to 7:00pm. Let your voice be heard!

Our Labor Day picnic will be held on Sunday, September 4<sup>th</sup>, starting at 2pm. The Post will provide hamburgers and hotdogs. Please bring a side dish if you so desire.

The San Antonio Steel Guitar Association, a.k.a. the Jam Session, will be featuring patriotic music in honor of Patriots Day on Sunday, September 11<sup>th</sup>. We'll hold a moment of

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#### **Auxiliary** News



Howdy, ALA UNIT 593 Members!

Well, hello September! We made it through August and are looking for a bit of Fall weather. Well, at least cooler weather.

If you were not at the Unit meeting in August, we discussed setting up a "Dessert for a Donation" table on Chicken Fried Steak Night and Steak Night. After receiving the go ahead from the Legion, the baking began. I am happy to report that it was a GREAT success. I personally want to thank the ALA members who shared their dessert -making skills. Of course, we must give a shout out to all of those that donated for a dessert "or two." You all are the most giving people in the world. Rest assured the funds will go toward the ALA programs we support each year. We will be looking for a couple of dessert-making volunteers for CFS and Steak Night in September. Just let me know if you would like to help.

Now, Membership. September has arrived, the National Convention is over, ratification of their new officers is in place, and we have our 2023 membership goals. So, we are now not only accepting your 2023 membership renewals but can now send in new member applications. If you are holding an app, please feel free to drop it and \$28 in the Auxiliary Box at the post, or by mailing a check to ALA Unit 593, 326 Legion Dr. W., Converse, 78109, or you can even go to the National ALA website <a href="https://www.legion-aux.org/members">https://www.legion-aux.org/members</a>, and pay there. If you have never do not this, it is pretty easy.

You just need your current membership card or your member number and a credit card. After renewing, you can even print your card. If you are interested in becoming a Paid Up for Life member, we can help you with that as well. I have printed the cost

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of silence and offer prayers for all those affected by the tragedy. Everyone is encouraged to come out, enjoy the music and pay tribute.

The Post will celebrate the Air Force's birthday on September 18<sup>th</sup> with drink specials and hourly prize drawings for all Air Force veterans. Come on out and help us celebrate.

Looking ahead, the Post will have a float in the Night in Ole' Converse parade on October 1<sup>st</sup>. We'll also participate with the City in National Night Out on October 4<sup>th</sup> from 5 to 8pm at Converse's North Park.

Finally, I'd like to encourage you to take some free training on The American Legion and maybe win a gift card. The Mighty 20th District Basic Training Challenge: Complete the American Legion Education Institute Basic Training Course between now and The Texas Legion College presented at Alamo Post 2 on September 17th.

After completion, post a picture of your certificate on the 20<sup>th</sup> District's Facebook page. You will be placed into a drawing for a \$50 visa card. You must be a current member of the 20th District for 2023 and you must have completed the Basic Training Course between now and September 17th. (If you have done it before, yes you need to do it again). So, learn or refresh your knowledge of The American Legion, renew your membership, and have a chance to claim your prize. You do not need to be present at the Texas Legion College to win. Here's the link to the training site: <a href="https://www.legion.org/alei">https://www.legion.org/alei</a>

Dennis Ducharme Post Commander

#### **August Meals Quick Reference**

Sept 8, Burger Grill, 5:30-7:30PM	\$7.00
Sept 9, Chicken Fried Steak Dinner, 5-7PM	\$10.00
Sept 10, Breakfast, 8-11AM	\$8.00
Sept 11, Jam Session Grill, 1-3PM	\$7.00
Sept 30, Steak Night, 6-8PM	<u>\$15.00</u>
Complimentary Snacks available during Canteen Opera	ating Hours

#### Attention all Members:

Beginning September 1, 2022, electronic vaping devices are banned inside the Post Home. Thank you in advance for your cooperation.

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calculation and will make sure to leave a copy at the post.

A few of the ALA goings on at the Post this month will be of course our Unit meeting on September 7th at 7:30, the "Dessert for a Donation" table at CFS and Steak Night, and the ALA's Burger Burn on the second Thursday of September.

I will be unavailable for the September meeting so our more than capable Vice-President Irma Ducharme will be conducting our meeting. Please come out and support her and our unit. She will have a few upcoming events to discuss with you all. One of our members is going to share with us a fun challenge that we can do with our Post family while earning a bit of change. Sounds fun!

Please keep an eye out for email and ALA Unit 593, Converse, Tx., Facebook Page posts. Make sure to "Like" our FB page so you receive notification of recent posts. Also, if you are not receiving emails from Aux593info@gmail.com and would like to, please send an email to myself at <a href="mailto:czavala@gvec.net">czavala@gvec.net</a> or <a href="mailto:Aux593info@gmail.com">Aux593info@gmail.com</a> and we will make sure you're added or your email address corrected.

Until next month, remember our Veterans, Active Duty, and their Families... our Mission! Stay safe!

Candy Zavala Unit 593, President

#### **SALute**



Hello to all the S A L members .

At the August meeting two new officers were installed, Tommy Allmon as 1st vice and Geroge Alva as chaplain. Also, a special

thank you to Mr. Rick Moe for stepping up as our Membership Chairman again.

Thank you to all that came out to work or support the August chicken fried steak night and breakfast on Saturday. We could not have done it without you. As always we are looking for ways to help the Vets and their families. If anyone needs or knows of someone in need of prayers please notify George Alva.

Please remember that it is up to all of us to try to bring in new members.

Hope to see all at the next meeting on September 20,2022

Bill Cox Squadron 593 Commander

#### Attention everyone:

Due to the continuing rising costs of supplies, we are forced to raise the price of the Second Saturday Breakfast to \$8.00 a plate.

We've held out as long as we could, but unfortunately we had to make the decision to add one dollar to the cost. I hope this doesn't deter you from joining us on the 10th.

#### **Riders Report**





Welcome to the fall time frame in South Central Texas. Please be careful when riding as leaves and precipitation cover the ground. We had a great time helping a Korean and Viet Nam War Veteran whose fence and gate needed some repairs. Those are the events that get us all pumped up. Thank you to Josh Blevins. We also had a great Meet and Greet at Post 179 with a remarkable turn-out. ALR Chapter 593 had close to 15 bikes and there were over 60 riders present. We agreed to host the next Meet and Greet at Post 593. More details forthcoming.

The month of September will be very busy for some but please mark your calendars for the Memorial Ride....riding in honor of those who have passed before us. It will be Saturday, 24 September, KSU at 10:00. Afterwards, we will unveil the framed ALR Vest that has each of their names listed. During this event, we will also host the new National Commander so we hope to have a great showing. Finally, we need to make a decision at our next ALR GMM regarding participation in Nites in Ole Converse (NIOC). SAL may pass on Turkey Legs this year so ALR may step up and take that role on. We still will handle the parking like previous years. Please come to our GMM and voice your opinion. NIOC is (Fri & Sat) 30 SEP and 1 OCT. We may also have additional information on our Rolling Run Raffle item....8'x12' shed that we will build to code. Have a great month and stay safe.

God Bless.

Paul "Timmy" Goymerac, ALR Director

#### **Request for Care Packages**

An active duty member of the Army, who is a member of our Post, is with the 453rd ICTC and has been deployed to Camp Buehring in Kuwait since March 3<sup>rd</sup>. They will be there until after Christmas. We are putting together some care packages to send to them.

We asked the 23 members of the platoon what type of things they wanted and this is some of the things they said.

Care package list:

Snacks
Beef Jerky
Pens
Tide Pods
Chips
Real football
Black socks
Huggies Cocoa & Shea Butter Baby Wipes
Earplugs
After sunburn aloe
Chap Stick with SPF
Body wash

Please bring your donation to the Post and be sure to label it for the "Care Package."



The Holiday Season is fast approaching. Our annual Holiday Basket food drive will be starting soon. Watch for further information at the Post Home and in this newsletter on items required, dates, etc.

Brad Martin Service Officer

# American Legion Post 593

September 2022

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SATURDAY

THURSDAY

WEDNESDAY

TUESDAY

MONDAY

SUNDAY

(events subject to change)

Book your Christmas Looking Ahead

Party now to ensure the hall is available "Stake Night" Halloween Party NIOC Sept 30 thru Oct 2 Tournament SAL Golf Oct 16

Oct 28

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Coffee & Doughnuts   Post General   Bart League 7PM	*	LAI LAI	SOR AV	*	<i>1</i> Dart League 7PM Pool League 3PM	2	8
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#### Date: September 4, 2022

#### **Time: 2:00PM**





The Legion will provide the grilled food and buns, condiments, etc.

Please bring your favorite side dish, finger foods, or sweets and baked goods.

Come on out for fun and fellowship!

#### **Labor Day Picnic**

Information: 210-658-1111

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#### Tuesday Morning Coffee and Doughnuts Plus



Tuesday Mornings
Time: 9-11AM

Come join for complimentary coffee, doughnuts, plus other goodies. Good fellowship and good conversation. Every Tuesday Morning, from 9-11 AM

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# Auxiliary Burger Grill

Hamburgers/Cheeseburgers, FF and dessert for

\$7.00 per plate

Date: September 8, 2022

Time: 5:30-7:30PM

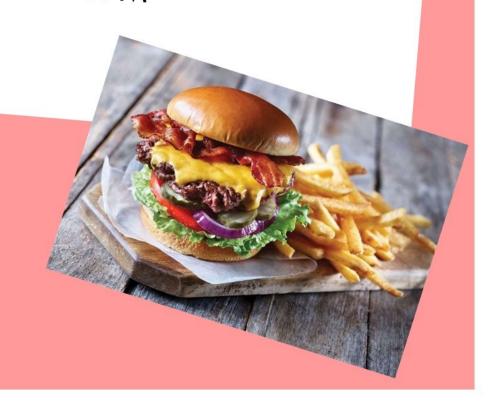
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### Chicken Fried Steak Dinner

\$10.00

Time: 6:00-7:30 PM

**Date: Sept 9, 2022** 



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

Open Jukebox Music to follow for your entertainment

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

\$8.00 per plate

Date: September 10, 2022

Time: 8:00-11:00 AM

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Information: 210-658-1111



To-Go orders available.



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.

September 11, 2022 1:00-5:00PM

Grill open 1- 3:30PM

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# U.S, AIR FORCE BIRTHDAY SEPTEMBER 18, 2022 AMERICAN LEGION POST 593

AIR FORCE VETERANS STOP BY AND ENJOY YOUR DAY - WEAR SOME AIR FORCE PRIDE.. You will receive a free ticket for a prize drawing valued at \$23.00 every hour from 3:00 PM to 9:00 PM.

MUST BE PRESENT TO WIN

Air Force Vets will receive any domestic beer for \$2.00 !!!!!!!

" OFF WE GO INTO POST 593"





## Steak Night



Date: September 30, 2022

Time: 6:00-8:00PM

Information: 210-658-1111

Eat in or take out

12 oz Ribeye, cooked to order, Baked Potato, choice of Vegetable, Salad, and Dinner rolls.

Open Jukebox Music to follow for your pleasure.

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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