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Commander's Corner Auxiliary News

Hello everyone. Another month has gone by and we are getting into the summer months. All of us know what that means: Heat, Heat, and more Heat. Guess we are into the second season in Texas. Oh, didn't all of you know that South Texas only has 3 seasons? Cold, Hot, and Christmas.

As you are reading this our 3rd Jubilee has just finished. Once again, it was a success, not only for Post 593, but for the community as well. Each year is amazes me how our members will step up and help out when the time calls. Most of you know this already, but in case you don't, the planning for this year's Jubilee began nearly 12 months ago. Not long after the previous event ended. Dennis Ducharme has taken this on for all three years. I will not even attempt to estimate how much time he and his "crew" have spent putting it together. I know many of his volunteers, however, I do not wish to leave anyone out so I will just say Thank You to all of them. The next time you see Dennis or any other volunteer, please extend your Thanks. Good Job, Everyone!

On May 26th, several of you joined me in paying

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June? I can hardly believe it. Summertime, summertime, sweet, sweet summertime. As you can tell, this is my favorite time of year. Gardening, yard work, swimsuits, sunscreen, going to the lake or floating in the pool. I just LOVE the lazy dog days of summer.

Though the Auxiliary doesn't have a lot on the calendar for June, we do have our election of officers for 2010-2011. Elections will be held at our June 2nd meeting. The Nomination Book has been collected but, if you were teeter-tottering whether to run for an office, there is still time to get your name on the ballot by being nominated from the floor the night of the election.

The Installation Dinner for the new Legion, Auxiliary & SAL executive boards will be held the evening of July 10th. Even if you are not being installed into office, make plans to come out anyway. It will be a red, white & blue evening with food, music and fun.

Quickly I would like to give a shout of thanks out to EVERYONE that helped last month with breakfast, steak night and the Jubilee.

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respects to the thousands of Veterans that are buried at Ft. Sam Houston National Cemetery. Members from many of the posts in the 20th District volunteered to read the names of EVERY VETERAN that is interred there as a way to honor their service. This has only been done one other time in California and never at Ft. Sam Houston. The entire reading took 4 days with 12 hours each day. Thank You to all members of Post 593 that helped out. We do a good job helping our current veterans. I think this was a great way of honoring those that have gone before us.

June is the month that we elect the officers that will lead our Post for the next year. Election day is always the same as our General Membership Meeting which is Wed, June 2nd. You can cast your vote anytime that day between the hours of 9:00 am and 7:30 pm. To my knowledge, we are the only post that allows all day voting. Come out anytime during those hours to show support of the incoming officers. Some of them are returning for a successive year and some are stepping up for the first time.

Until next month,

—Jack Leanhart
Commander

I know it's hard work and can be a bit frustrating but everyone pulled up their bootstraps and made it happen. That comes as no shock to me. That's just the kind of folks that make up our Legion Family.

Please don't forget Girls State is June 13 - 19 at Texas Lutheran University in Seguin. The closing ceremony will be held on the 19th. If anyone is interested, it is open to any who would like to attend. Our Unit works tirelessly throughout the year in order to sponsor these young ladies and this is a great opportunity for us to see the results of those efforts.

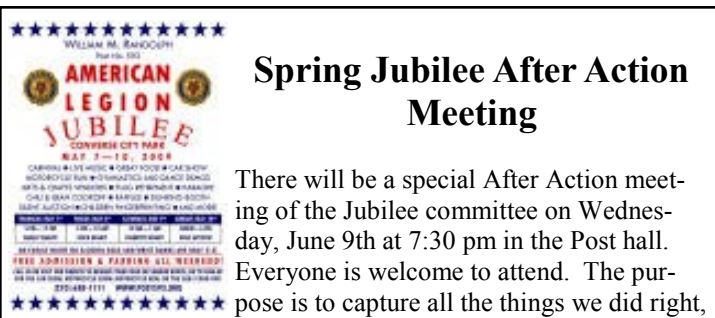
The Department of Texas Annual Convention will be held June 25 - 27 in Beaumont, Texas. If anyone is interested in attending, let me know and I will forward the hotel and other information to you. I do know during the Friday joint meeting President Kundert will be recognizing volunteers who assisted with the Creative Arts Festival held this year in San Antonio, to include many Auxiliary members from Unit 593 and the 20th District.

Before I close this newsletter, I want to express my heartfelt thanks to the Auxiliary membership and officers for their work and contribution this past year. To be honest, I was terrified I would fall flat on my face and in grand fashion. Luckily, when I stumbled, there were helping hands pushing or pulling and always at the right time. I know many of you have heard me say this before, "I am a lucky girl." No doubt about it, no how, flat out, a lucky girl, and it's because of the wonderful ladies of this Unit.

Don't forget, put it on your calendar, Wednesday June 2nd, 7:30, our membership meeting and election of officers. I look forward to seeing you there.

Respectfully,

—Candy D. Zavala
President, ALA Unit 593



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Spring Jubilee After Action Meeting

There will be a special After Action meeting of the Jubilee committee on Wednesday, June 9th at 7:30 pm in the Post hall. Everyone is welcome to attend. The purpose is to capture all the things we did right, things we could improve upon, or things to consider for next year. If you have comments and/or suggestions, please come out and help us to make next year's event better!


Spring Jubilee Thank You Dinner

The Jubilee committee is throwing a thank you dinner on Saturday, June 26th to thank all the folks who made the Jubilee such a huge success!

The pay as you go bar opens at 6:30 pm, dinner will be served at 7pm with entertainment to follow.

Everyone who donated items, worked on the committee, worked at the event or even came out to support us is invited to come out for a night of fun and friendship.

For God and Country,
--Dennis



Do you enjoy having the monthly Newsletter delivered to your door, or do you prefer to read it online and print your own Calendar from the Post Website?

Does your household receive more than one copy each month?

We are looking at ways to cut some postal costs and to purge duplicate addresses from our mailing list. Please come to the June General Membership meeting to discuss.



Rider's Report

It looks as if the Riders had a good time at the ALR State Rally from what they can remember anyway, some of us that stayed behind attended the PGR Mission for the fallen 22 year old Marine and boy was it a hot day but a least it wasn't raining and we had a tremendous turnout.

We're getting into the final days of planning and putting together the Jubilee, and looks as if there is also going to be a Memorial Day party, and Tom Harm is having a Sixties Party in June. The ALR Calendar is coming together nicely, sure is busy but it looks like the Riders will have plenty of things to do.

The nominations for the Executive Board are done with, there were positions which ran unopposed, and we have positions which no one was nominated for or did not accept the nomination such as the position for Road Captain. Looks like we are also going to have a Special Election to fill this position so anyone interested please see myself or Jim Bennett. Remember, the Riders elections are June 8th from 6:00 PM until 7:30 PM, and then the General Membership Meeting.

I would like to once again urge all the Riders and the new members to become familiar and active on the ALR Post 593 website. This site has a wealth of information, a calendar to keep the events straight, a General Discussion page to get your two cents or ideas in, and the photographs of the events that Butch takes are posted. I'd like to get the Sunday rides from Kitty Hawk going again and when the Road Captain or I post it would be nice to know if anyone is coming.

—Garry Bean

Good Luck Terry Smith Dinner

Terry will be heading off on a 7000 mile ride from Florida to Alaska this month. Amy and the Bartender crew have scheduled a good luck kickoff dinner on June 11, at 6:00 PM.

The menu includes:

- Brisket
- Sausage
- Baked Beans
- Potato Salad

Cost is \$10.00 per plate. DJ Stu will be on hand to provide the evening's entertainment.

Come on out and wish Terry good luck and enjoy some BBQ.

American Legion Legacy Scholarship Benefit

The American Legion Riders (ALR) Post 593 would like to invite you to our Fifth Annual Benefit in support of the American Legion Legacy Scholarship program. The American Legion Legacy Scholarship Fund was created by The American Legion National Organization after 9/11. Its purpose is to guarantee the children of military servicemen and women, who die in the line of duty during the war on terror, have access to a college education. Of the 700+ ALR groups across the nation, our local group is the leading donor to this fund, having given \$92,000 over the last four years.

This year the ALR will once again be hosting a "Taste of Freedom", to be held 7 p.m. on July 23, 2010; at the Holy Trinity Banquet Hall located at 20523 Huebner Road. Several local restaurants will have the opportunity to meet and greet all of our Freedom supporters as they serve samples of food throughout the evening. In addition, we will have wine tasting, music, door prizes and be conducting a silent and live auction. Check out our website for further information on the Taste of Freedom and the Legacy Scholarship Program at ALR593.net.

Company recognition and special seating for 10 attendees is available for a \$500.00 donation. This is a great opportunity to recognize employees, friends and family with a night of music and great food. Open seating is available for \$35.00 per ticket and all attendees must be over the age of twenty one. Being a 501 (C) (19) tax exempt organization your contributions will be tax deductible.

In the event you are not able to attend and would still like to participate, the ALR is looking for donations of any kind that can be used in the auctions. Again your donations are tax deductible and documentation can be provided at the time of the donation. Just call, ALR will come to you or donations can be mailed or dropped off at William M. Randolph Post 593, Attn: Velma Smith, 326 W. Legion Dr., Converse TX 78109.

ALR593 looks forward to seeing you on this special occasion. The children of the Nations Fallen Heroes and I thank you for your contributions and consideration.

—Velma Smith

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		1	2	3	4	5
		ALR Exec Mtg 7:30pm Dart League 7 pm	Post Election Day. Voting open from 9:00AM-7:30PM General Membership Meeting 7:30 pm	Riders Grill 6-8pm Dart League 7PM	Friday at the Legion	Saturday at the Legion
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
Sunday at the Legion	Dart League 7 pm	ALR Gen Mbr Mtg 7:30 Dart League 7 pm	Jubilee After Action Mtg, 7:30 pm	Riders Grill 6-8pm Dart League 7PM	Good Luck Send-off Dinner for Terry Smith 6:00PM Friday at the Legion	Breakfast 8-11 am Saturday at the Legion
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
Sunday at the Legion	Dart League 7 pm	Dart League 7 pm	Post Exec Mtg, 7:30 pm	Riders Grill 6-8pm Dart League 7PM	Friday at the Legion	Dart Tournament 7:30PM Saturday at the Legion
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
Sunday at the Legion	Dart League 7 pm	Dart League 7 pm	H&E Meeting, 7 pm	Riders Grill 6-8pm Dart League 7PM	Steak Night 6-8 PM Entertainment to follow	Spring Jubilee Thank You Dinner 6:30PM Entertainment to follow
27	28	29	30			
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Post Election Day
2 June
9:00AM-7:30PM

General Membership Meeting
2 June 7:30PM

Bike Night and Riders Grill are back to Thursday nights 6-8 PM

Good Luck BBQ meal for Terry Smith,
11 June 6:00PM

Breakfast, 12 June
8-11AM

Dart Tournament
19 June 7:30PM

Steak Night 25 June
6-8PM

Jubilee Thank You Dinner
26 June 6:30PM