

The American Legion

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August 2025

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Commander's Comments



Our year seems to be off to a good start. Our Second Vice Commander, Alan Reams, is always looking for new and different events to maximize participation and has already added some new ones. Please check the calendar.

We are becoming more engaged with the City of Converse and my hope is for Post 593 to be recognized as a cornerstone of this community. We can only do this through your help and involvement. If we all sit back and say "Someone will take care of it", then no one will take care of anything.

Several of us just returned from the Department Convention in Austin. Our new Department Commander is Rich Huntley from League City. I think he will be good for The American Legion Department of Texas. He has some great ideas to take us into the future.

But back to the convention, many great things are being accomplished in the State of Texas through our committee chairpersons and members. These include training, veteran education and employment, veteran affairs and rehabilitation, and long-range planning.

Membership will be a big focus this year. Both retention and recruiting will be highly emphasized. The only way to grow is to recruit and the best way to maintain a stable base for that growth is retention by renewing your membership. The Post also receives recognition and awards for accomplishing the goals set for us by the Department.

I know this sounds like a lot to take in, but if all of us are up to the task of "Growing our Legion Family", then the burden isn't so heavy for a few members.

"Veterans Still Serving"

Clayton Wallers Commander

Auxiliary News



It's almost time for the little ones to go back to school. Where did our summer go!!! I hope everyone enjoyed it and got to take a well-earned vacation!!

The American Legion Auxiliary Department of Texas has installed Leigh-Anne Stuart as

President and our very own Candy Zavala as Vice-President. These ladies are doing a great job, and I cannot wait to see where they take us this year! CONGRATULATIONS!!

Can you believe that Christmas is only five months away!! We are going to start planning our Kid's Christmas Party (12.7.2025) and Senior's Dinner (12.14.2025), so please join us at the August meeting and let us know how you can help. We will also need a chairman for each!!

MEMBERSHIP MEMBERSHIP MEMBERSHIP!! Let's start paying our dues NOW so we can reach a100% before Christmas! I know if we all help Rosie out that we can hit this goal!! Also, anyone that pays their dues by October will be eligible for the Early Bird Dinner that will take place in October (more details to follow). RECRUIT RECRUIT RECRUIT!!

Our next general membership meeting will be at 7:00 pm on Wednesday, August 6, 2025, immediately after the joint session. Please come and sit in. We love to see new faces and we will start talking about all of our wonderful committees. We will need lots of help and we will always have a great time!!!

Thank you to all that have donated so much of their time, making all of our events such a huge success. Your hard work and dedication doesn't go unnoticed!! THANK YOU! To say thank you, we will start having door prizes at each meeting!!

Hope to see you all at some of the upcoming events! Make sure you check out our calendar!!

Michelle Muth Unit 593, President



1st Vice Commander Report



We are off to a good start for the 2025-2026 membership year. We are currently at 303 of a goal of 853.

Now the new 2025-2026 membership year has begun. I encourage you to renew your membership as early as possible. By renewing early we can ensure that the American Legion's goals

are promoted for the community, state, and nation.

Members can go to www.legion.org/renew and click "Renew Now" to safely and conveniently pay their dues. Once a member enters the information requested, he or she can set the account for automatic annual renewal, as well as select the option to receive email renewal notices instead of notices through the mail. If the membership is current, he or she may still choose to sign up for automatic annual renewal and/or to receive renewal notices by email only. Automatic renewal can also be set up by calling the toll-free American Legion customer service line at (800) 433-3318.

Ed Richards 1st Vice Commander



SALute



Greetings from the Son's of the American Legion Squadron 593. Looking ahead into the month of August, it is the end of summer vacations and time to start looking ahead to the fall holidays and events. August is going to be a busy month for all of us with kids and grand-kids preparing them to go back to school and possibly going to college. Hopefully

everyone had a good summer vacation.

We will have our next SAL general membership meeting on Tuesday, August 19th. The meeting starts at 7 pm. I encourage you all to attend. We will be hosting our next Chicken Fried Steak meal on Friday, August 8th. We will start serving at 6 pm and the cost per meal is \$13.

As just a casual reminder, early bird membership renewal will continue until October 10th. Please encourage new members, friends, and neighbors to come and see what we here at Post 593 are all about. Research with them to see if they qualify to join the Squadron.

If you have any questions or comments, please contact me or one of the elected officers of the squadron and we will make every effort to make sure you are taken care of. Have a great month and we will see you at the Legion Post.

Mikey Wilson

Commander Squadron 593



Riders Report



Greetings Riders. First item that I would like to mention is a thank you....thank you to all those who helped with any and all typed of operations after the Kerrville floods. Your selfless service is much appreciated and seen by many. Second item

is our annual calendar and the different events we have coming up in August through March. The Post may not have an Annual Calendar scrub so I will start working with my counter-parts in SAL, SON, and the Legion to ensure any and all events are deconflicted with others. We are preparing for a Memorial Ride in September so that's our next big event. Prior to that, many of us are doing other rides in the area and out of State. If you were not aware, Jess A, Ed Richards, and myself are doing the National Legacy Ride from Virginia to Tampa Bay. All three of us will also attend the National Convention to represent the State of Texas and Post 593.

With the new members of our Executive Board sworn in, we are off and running on a new membership year. If you are interested with the inner workings of the ALR and would like to help out, please let Ed Richards or I know so that we can have you help one of the nominative positions or take the lead on an event that is forthcoming this membership year. Additionally, based on our bylaws, I must step down after this year so we would like to get new members to step up and learn how we operate. The more people involved, the better we can help our Veterans and their families. One last word or thought.....please keep your eyes opened for bikers, we need to always stay vigilant so that we can enjoy our riding and stay safe. Have a great summer and thanks again for everything you do. God Bless our Veterans, their families, and our friends

Pictured below is the service at FT Sam for Rob Hankel's mother Sue (Mouse) Pearce...may she rest in peace.



Paul "Timmy" Goymerac, Director, ALR Chapter. 593



August 2025



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Upcoming Events

- Labor Day—September 1
- Book your Holiday Party Today! Call Tracy @ 210-658-1111

SEPTEMBER

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Tuesday Morning Coffee and Doughnuts Plus



Tuesday Mornings
Time: 9-11AM

Open to the public.

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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5PM to 7PM
Tacos \$2 each
Charro Beans \$2

AUGUST GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEAL Presented by The American Legion Auxiliary

Wednesday, August 6, 2025 Post 593 Converse, TX

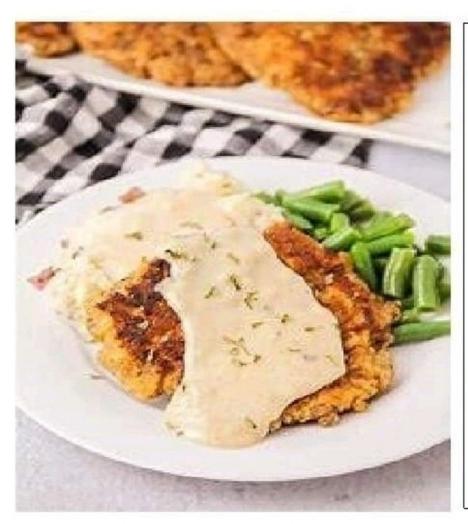
5:00-6:45PM

Chicken and Rice Casserole Salad Dessert \$10.00



Son's of the American Legion Squadron 593 CHICKEN FRIED STEAK DINNER

FRIDAY, AUGUST 8TH WITH SERVING STARTING AT 6PM. \$13 per meal.



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

Auxiliary Unit 593 will be selling various Desserts at side table.

Sodas, Water or Adult Beverages Available.

Eat In or Take Out Available

ONLY \$10

AMERICAN LEGION POST 593 CONVERSE, TX 2ND SATURDAY EACH MONTH

EGGS MADE TO ORDER

FRENCH TOAST

PANCAKES W/ OR W/O FRUIT

POTATOES

GRAVY

FRESH FRUIT

TOAST

BISCUITS

COFFEE

ORANGE JUICE



8 - 11 AM



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.

August 10, 2025 1:00-5:00PM

Grill open 1-3:30PM

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Information 210-658-1111

Auxiliary Burger Grill

Hamburgers/Cheeseburgers, FF and dessert for

\$10.00 per plate

Date: August 14, 2025

Time: 5:00-7:30PM

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Info: 210-658-1111



Shuffleboard Tournament

Saturday, August 16, 2025



Shuffleboard Tournament signups are at 2:30 PM, matches begin shortly after

\$5 buy-in, all monies paid out Great way to spend a Saturday

Blind draw tournament. It really is a lot of fun for beginners as well as folks who play regularly. The tourney is a blind draw for teams, single or double elimination depending on amount of players. Come on out and enjoy the game, cold beverages, and great bar snacks.

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6-8 PM



LAST FRIDAY OF EACH MONTH

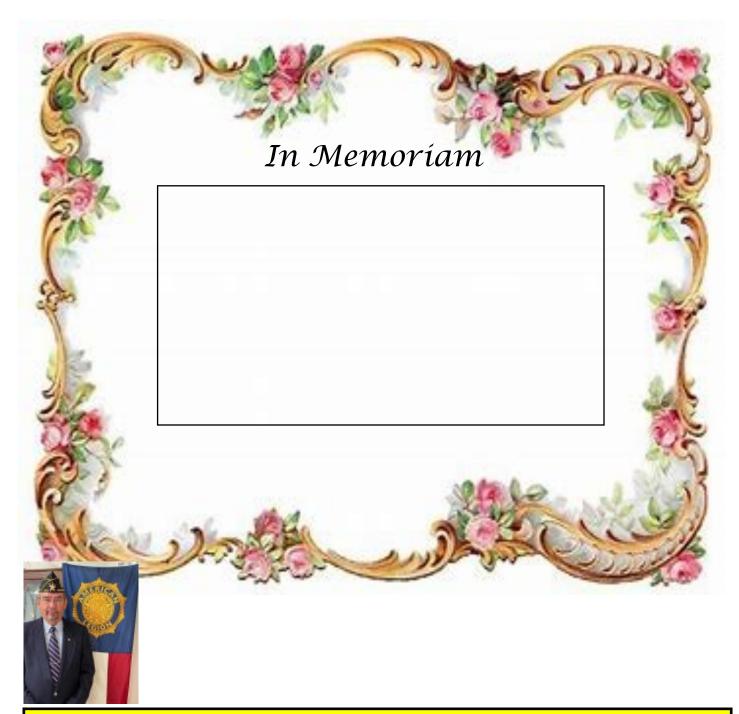


PREMIUM BONELESS RIBEYE STEAK



RIBEYE STEAK, BAKED POTATO,
CHOICE OF SECOND VEGETABLE,
SALAD, & ROLL.
DESSERTS AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE.





The Newsletter will dedicate the space above to the memory of loved ones who have left this world much too soon. The criteria is as follows: The deceased must be a member of The American Legion, The American Legion Auxiliary, The Sons of The American Legion, The American Legion Riders, or an immediate family member of such. Specifically, the spouse, parent, child, or sibling of a member. Please inform the Newsletter Editor directly or through one of the chaplains.



BRICK FUNDRAISER



We're raising funds to beautify the entrance to our Post by building a flag and memorial monument. We're moving & upgrading our flagpoles and lighting for each flag. The existing Post 593 monument will move to this new location near the church, creating a lasting impression for our visitors and demonstrating our commitment to honoring the sacrifices of those who have served our nation. We invite you to be a part of this exciting project!

You Can Order On-Line at:

https://www.bricksrus.com/donorsite/conversetxlegion

- What size bricks are you selling:
 - a. 4 x 8 x 2½: \$125 Finished Brick
 - b. 4 x 8 x ½: \$150 Alfagres Wall Tile
 - c. 8 x 8 x 2½: \$300 Finished Paving Brick
 - d. 8 x 8 x ½: \$350 Alfagres Wall Tile
- Lines and text per brick:
 - a. 4 x 8: 3 lines, 18 characters
 - b. 8 x 8: 6 lines, 18 characters.
- 3. What else are we selling?
 - a. Souvenir Bricks: These miniature gift bricks feature a felt backing. You will be able to showcase these in your home or office. These smaller souvenir bricks can be made to match a larger brick that was ordered.
 - i. 1½ x 3 x ½: \$25
 - ii. 3 x 3 x ½: \$35
 - Donor Bricks: These duplicate bricks with a felt backing can be displayed in your home or office.
 - i. 4 x 8 x 21/4: \$40
 - ii. 8 x 8 x 21/4: \$50



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IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS, PLEASE CONTACT HENRY CREECH AT (210) 391-7391 OR DENNIS DUCHARME AT (210) 630-0655





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Contact Dennis

Ducharme @

210.630.0655 to

become a sponsor!

Flags on Town Square Registration Form

How to Sponsor a Flag

- \$100 per year payable to American Legion Post 593
- Businesses can "Sponsored By"
- > Individuals can "In Memory of"
- Proceeds support flag replacements, signs, and Veterans Programs.
- Presidents' Day 20 Feb Memorial Day - 29 May

Flag day - 14 June Independence Day - 4 July

Labor Day - 4 Sep Veterans Day - 11 Nov

> Displayed in front of Converse City Hall on Sequin St.

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Name	Phone #
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Paid by Cash/Check	Date
Email	To Be Placed on Sign
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For sponsorship for The American Legion, Post 593	Date 's Flags on Town Square program for 2023.
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Post Home Manager's Message

Thank you to the Post leadership for their unwavering support and a very special thank you to you, our loyal customers. This wouldn't be possible without you. You are our friends and we enjoy seeing you every time you walk through the door.





We have an amazing hall for rent for all of your special events such as weddings, quinceaneras, birthdays, anniversaries, reunions, etc. For information or to schedule your party please reach out to me, Tracy Diggs at (210) 658-1111. Tell your friends!



Surprise a friend with a Drink Chip for our Cantina!

South Texas Veterans Health Care System

Veteran
care isn't
one size
fits all



NEW PATIENT ORIENTATION

Every Tuesday

10:00 - 11:00 AM

Learn practical tips for navigating South Texas Veterans Health Care System

To attend South Texas New Patient Orientation on Tuesday, please visit www.southtexas.va.gov and look for events to join.

For more information on VA Benefits and VA Healthcare, please visit https://www.va.gov/welcome-kit/ to view and download your welcome kit.





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U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs

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South Texas Veterans Health Care Systems

Meeting times and topics:

Parkinson's Disease August 14, 2024

Endeavors Supports and Services September 11, 2024

Intimate Partner
Violence
October 9, 2024

Alzheimer's Disease November 13, 2024

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