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Finance: Dave Paris
Chaplain: Chris Reed
Judge Advocate: Jack Leanhart
Historian: Ken Echerd
Service Officer: Sebastian Rodriguez
Sergeant At Arms: Marcelo Buckley
Hubmaster: Dennis Ducharme

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Jim Bennett, Peter Johnson
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Auxiliary Officers:

President: Michelle Muth
Vice President: Pati Bennett
Secretary: Sandy Vinson
Treasurer: Denise Yanus
Historian: Tina Goymerac
Chaplain: Catherine McDonald
Sgt At Arms: Gina Leonard

Members at Large:

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2nd Vice: Marcelo Buckley
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Finance: Dennis Ducharme
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Commander's Corner

It is a wonderful honor to be the Commander of Post 593 for 2014. I would like to begin by thanking the Executive Board for stepping forward to lead us into a rewarding year for us all. This year I would like us to focus on three things. First we need to transform Our large membership into a large ACTIVE membership. Let's get everyone involved in the activities that interest them most. It is not a requirement to be involved in everything, but find your passion and do what you can when you can.

Secondly, we need to transform Our Post Home into a place that is comfortable to visit, functional for Our needs, and presentable to Our membership and visitors. Think of this as making a house into a home. This is Our dining room, Our kitchen, and Our family room. If you see something in Our house that needs done, find a way to accomplish it. This includes picking up a can in the parking lot, cleaning your table if you have a mess, and finding a way to improve the infrastructure of Our house.

The third area of focus is to maintain Our high standard of supporting Our Legion programs. We do an excellent job with Boys

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Auxiliary News



THANK YOU!!! What a great turnout we had for the Lasagna/Spaghetti Dinner! I want to thank everyone that helped in anyway – I greatly appreciated it! THANK YOU!!

I would like to thank all my Executive Board for a great year! Thank you to the ones that are returning for another year and thank you to the ones that are not. I am so blessed to be able to work with such a great group of woman. The Auxiliary has had a great year and I look forward to another year! Here is your 2014-2015 Auxiliary Executive Board:
President – Michelle Muth
Vice President – Pati Bennett
Secretary – Sandy Vinson
Treasurer – Denise Yanus
Chaplain – Catherine McDonald
Historian – Tina Goymerac
Sargent at Arms – Gina Leonard
Members at Large – Candy Zavala, Sue Buckley and Brenda Weeks

Until Next Month.....
Michelle Muth

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State, Veterans, and the Legacy Scholarship fund. Post 593 is well known for its Legion program and Community support, let's keep up these programs, and see where we can get better.

July will be a great time for members to begin this journey by stepping up. Start by attending the Post Everlasting Ceremony on the 2nd of July. Come down and enjoy the 4th of July celebration at Our Post. Stop by and visit the Veterans during Chicken Fried Steak night on July 11th. Start the 12th of July off by attending our Blood Drive during Breakfast. Enjoy a delicious steak on the 25th, then come out and support the Legacy Scholarship Fund Dinner on the 26th. This is OUR House. Do what you can when you can.

Danny Peter Muth
Commander

Riders Report

As my tenure as the Rider Director draws to a close, I have to say "Thanks" to the members of our Chapter for making this past year so very successful. I don't have room to list all the events and the people, but I want each of you to know how much I appreciate your efforts! A special thanks to the ALR Executive Board...you guys made my job quite entertaining. I also want to say "Thank You" to the Legion, Auxiliary and SAL for all your support of our programs...we can't do it without yawl! I wish John Bock and new Executive Board all the best in the upcoming year. Congratulations to Andy Selko and Pablo Hernandez on their selection as the 2014 Rider of the Year. Hope to see each of you at the Legacy Dinner, 26 Jul 14, 1800, KC Hall in Schertz.

For God and Country...
Brown

Commissaries Safe; Pay, TRICARE Maybe Not

In shaping a 2015 defense authorization bill, Congress has decided to protect the prized commissary benefit. But, military personnel are not likely to escape other key compensation curbs to include a pay raise cap in January of one percent. And, pharmacy co-pay increases, to be phased in over 10 years, would mean higher out of pocket costs mostly for older retirees, spouses and survivors.

Submitted by Sebastian Rodriguez, Post Service Officer

NOTARY PUBLIC

Notary service is available to Post members and their families at no cost to them. Contact Joe Guastella at 683-6582 to make arrangements.

S.A.L. Corner

Congrats to all new Officers that were installed on 28 June 2014 as follows: Commander – Henry B. Creech, 1st Vice – Dennis Ducharme, 2nd Vice – Marcelo M. Buckley, Adjutant – Tim Vinson, Finance Officer – Dennis Ducharme, Chaplain – Tim Vinson, Judge Advocate – Kenneth Echerd, Historian – Kenneth Echerd, Sergeant at Arms – Joe Falco, Member at Large – Dan McGinnis, Advisor – Dave Paris. Awesome team!

We hosted the Chicken Fried Steak night, Steak Night, and the monthly Breakfast in June with great success, a big thanks for all the S.A.L. helpers and those that attended!

We are looking for a 150 gallon propane tank to use as our BBQ grill on our trailer to help raise funds for our community efforts. Please contact Marcelo Buckley at 210-275-2022 if you wish to donate one, have one for sale, or know where to get one.

Calling all S.A.L. members of all ages! Please come join us at our General Membership Meeting the last Tuesday of each month and get to know our members and see what's being planned and maybe even help out! We need your support!

Henry B. Creech, Squadron Commander
Commander, Squadron 593

Post Everlasting Ceremony

The Post Everlasting Ceremony will be conducted on July 2nd at 7:30 PM. Members who will be transferred to the Post Everlasting are:

Lawrence H. Almond
Joe C. Hernandez
Eugene P. Hilliker
Ronald J. Kennedy
William H. Kuester
Donald Hoyt Morrison
Bruce E. Parks
Edgardo Perez
Keith D. Pregler
Thomas F. Silk
Nelson E. Smitha
William B. Ward
Carol J. Wheatley

Dinner will be served prior to the ceremony at a cost of \$5.00 per plate. On the menu: King Ranch Chicken, Fiesta Corn and Spanish Rice.

ELECTRONIC NEWSLETTERS

The electronic Newsletter Mailing List continues to grow 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 post593newsletter@yahoo.com. Thanks for your support to save some dollars\$\$\$.

The Greatest Generation

This is the first in a series of articles honoring WWII veterans who are members of our Post.

Sgt Major Glenn D. Kittleson USA (Ret) was born in St Ansgar, Iowa on 09/03/1925. He enlisted in the US Army in Jan 1944. He served in the European theater with the 65th Infantry Division in WWII. He was a communications specialist. His many decorations include the Legion of Merit with oak leaf cluster (one of which was awarded to him by the US Ambassador to England). He was also awarded the Army Commendation medal with oak leaf cluster (one of which was awarded for service in Korea). He retired from the Army on July 1st 1979. He has been married to his wife Kyung for over 55 years. They are the parents of two children, seven grandchildren, and 2 great grandchildren. He is a paid up for life member of the American Legion and has been a member of our Post for over 26 years. He and his wife currently reside in San Antonio. Thank you for your service. If it weren't for you and your fellow veterans we would have a far worse country, if we had one at all.



KLRN Blazing Gavels Auction

A great big THANK YOU to the members who went and volunteered for the KLRN Blazing Gavels Auction. This was a great way to show Community support and was greatly appreciated by the staff of KLRN.

Those members are John Bishop, (JB), Nancy Stewart, Joe Falco, Henry Creech, Ron Devlin, Marcelo Buckley, Michelle Devlin, Karen Paris, Jay Barnes, Dave Paris and Ken Echerd.

This is noticed and appreciated by the Events Coordinator at KLRN, Mike McKenzie. He even came out and supported our steak night.

Once again, the Post 593 family has shown why we are so special to Converse, Bexar County and the state of Texas.

Blood Drive

The South Texas Blood Bank will be accepting blood donors at Post 593 on the morning of July 12th during the monthly breakfast. Come out to perform a valuable service for our community and enjoy the all you can eat breakfast with all the trimmings for only \$6 per plate. Bring your neighbors. The breakfast is open to the public.

Legionaire Of The Year



Rick White (left) is shown receiving the Legionaire of the Year award from outgoing Post Commander John Orff during Installation Ceremony activities on June 28th.



TASTE OF FREEDOM DINNER

“Bigger and Better in Texas”

American Legion Legacy Scholarship Fund.

A Wide variety of vendors will be serving their specialties in support of the children of our fallen troops.

DJ, silent and live auction & door prizes.

Raffle for \$2500 Diamond Pendant and an AR15—\$10 per chance.

Saturday, July 26, 2014

7 pm to Midnight — \$30.00 per person

Knights of Columbus, 509 Schertz Parkway, Schertz, TX 78154



*****Fund is to ensure any child who has lost a parent while fighting the war on terror has the opportunity for a college education. We need to help fill this critical gap—they are our future.***

Beer, Wine and set-ups will be available for purchase.

****Must be 21 or older to attend****

Call 210-658-1111 for more information.

AL Post 593 Converse, TX

4th of July Party

When: Friday, July 4th

Where: American Legion Post 593

Time: 2:00 pm

We will be cooking hamburgers and hotdogs. Please bring your favorite side dish or dessert to share with everyone! The food will be ready at 2:30 pm.

We will have a shuffleboard tournament starting at 3:00 pm.

Invite your friends and family! Gonna be a good time!!



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July 2014

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1 Rider Grill 6-8 pm ALR Exec. Mtg. 7:30pm	2 Post Eventing GMM Mtg. 7:30 pm Dinner served from 5:30 to 7 pm	3 Grill 6-8 pm Dart League	4 July 4 th Party 2 pm!! 	5
6	7 Dart League & Shuffleboard League	8 Rider Grill 6-8 pm ALR GMM. Mtg. 7:30pm	9	10 Grill 6 - 8 pm Dart League Tri-City Flyers	11 CFS DINNER 6-8 PM - \$8 OPEN TO PUBLIC Shuffleboard Tourney\$5	12 BREAKFAST 8 - 11 AM - \$6 OPEN TO THE PUBLIC
13	14 Dart League & Shuffleboard League	15 NO GRILL	16 Exec. Mtg. 7:00 pm	17 Grill 6-8 pm Dart League	18	19 Dart Tourney 7:15 pm Shuffleboard Tourney - 4 pm
20 Ferrett Club 1 pm	21 Dart League & Shuffleboard League	22 NO GRILL	23	24 Grill 6 - 8 pm Dart League	25 STEAK NIGHT!! 6-8 PM \$13 OPEN TO PUBLIC! Shuffleboard Tourney\$5	26 Legacy Dinner 7 pm
27	28 Dart League & Shuffleboard League	29 NO GRILL SAL Mtg. - 7:30 pm	30	31 Grill 6-8 pm Dart League		



ZUMBA
 Every Tuesday
 At 6:15 pm - \$3

** Executive Board has breakfast and steak night!

UPCOMING EVENTS:

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