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**RAY
CALORE
EDITOR**

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COMMANDER's COLUMN....."Principles Above Personalities" ...AL St.PIERRE, Commander

Dear Comrades and Auxiliary members,

HAPPY NEW YEAR !



I want to thank everyone for the great progress we made in 2016 at our wonderful Post 846. Now we can really look forward, and bring out the best for each of us in 2017.

Did you make a New Year's Resolution? If so, I hope it involves our Veterans and their Families. Please read your Newsletter and check the Events Board at the Post. We need you to participate when you can. It'll be fun !

Please support the advertisers who support the 846 Newsletter. We appreciate them! Thanks again for everything you do. Let's all have a happy and productive New Year.

VFW AUXILIARY...

SHERYL GULLEY, President

.Greetings and Happy New Year! I hope you all had a wonderful holiday and are ready to get back to work. It is fun to look back at what we accomplished in the past year, but more exciting to look forward to this year. I hope we can all work together and have a lot of fun doing it.

I would like to thank Chris Anderson for helping shop and Jewell Thomas for assembling the food and delivering boxes and gifts for two needy families before Christmas. I would also like to thank Jeanie A. Peine & her grandson Jaxson for delivering eleven beautiful handmade lap blankets made by Jeanie, Jaxson, and friends Suzanne Crain and Ann Stark to Veterans in wheelchairs at Nottingham Rehab Center on behalf of VFW Auxiliary 846. I am sure we brightened the holidays for these veterans.

Please be sure to check the newsletter or the bulletin board at the Post to check what is going on this month at YOUR post. Our general membership meeting will be January 12 at 7:00. It would be great to see you there.

...Loyally, President SHERYL

NEW YEAR'S WEEKEND...

NEW YEAR'S EVE — Saturday —

Special **KARAOKE** night to bring in the New Year. Starting around 7, goes on until "whenever." Please join us for a good time at the Post, and give 2016 a rousing send-off.



NEW YEAR'S DAY : — Sunday —

Black-Eyed Peas & Corn Bread, starting around noon until it's all gone. Get your share of Ray's special recipe of Black-Eyed Peas, and Sheryl's famous corn bread !

We can all use a little "good luck" in 2017 !



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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 BLACK-EYED PEAS & CORN BREAD	2 TEXAS HOLD'EM 7 and 10 pm	3 LIFE WITH PTSD 6pm	4	5 Planning Meeting 6:30 House Committee 7pm	6 Dinner at 7 TEXAS HOLD'EM 7 and 10 pm	7
8	9 TEXAS HOLD'EM 7 and 10 pm	10 LIFE WITH PTSD 6pm	11	12 Post & Auxiliary Meetings 7pm	13 State Mid-Winter Conference, Junction City, KS Dinner at 7 TEXAS HOLD'EM	14 KARAOKE 7 pm
15	16 TEXAS HOLD'EM 7 and 10 pm	17 LIFE WITH PTSD 6pm	18	19	20 Dinner at 7 TEXAS HOLD'EM 7 and 10 pm	21 BREAKFAST 7:30 - 11:30
22	23 TEXAS HOLD'EM 7 and 10 pm	24 LIFE WITH PTSD 6pm	25	26 V.A. Hospital Visit 5:45 pm	27 Paris "Peace" Accords signed 1973 Dinner at 7 TEXAS HOLD'EM	28 POLAR PLUNGE District Conf. Lenexa, 10am KARAOKE
29	30 TEXAS HOLD'EM 7 and 10 pm	31 LIFE WITH PTSD 6pm	WE WISH YOU A VERY HAPPY 2017, and ENCOURAGE YOUR ASSISTANCE ON BEHALF OF OUR VETERANS and THEIR FAMILIES. BE SAFE and HAVE FUN !			



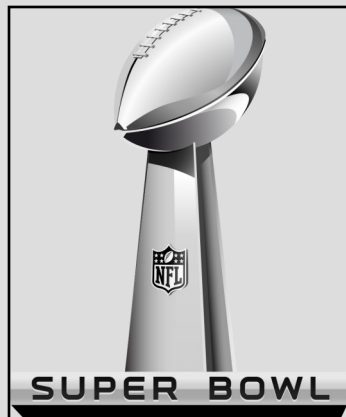
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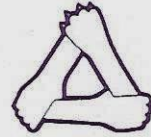
Super Bowl 51 will be on Sunday, Feb. 5th. Larry Fries is taking orders for full Rib Slabs @ only \$17 each. Place your order at the Post by the end of January, and you can pick them up, pre-cooked and ready for you, on Saturday, Feb. 4th.

This is good eatin', enjoy!



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SATURDAY BREAKFAST — Jan. 21...



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KARAOKE in JANUARY...

Please join us and your friends for some good-time Karaoke, twice this month. It will be on Saturday January 14 and 28, starting at 7pm. It's always fun to sing along, or just sit back and enjoy the "talent."



And don't forget about the New Year's Eve Karaoke !

V.A. HOSPITAL REPORT...



The Leavenworth VA Christmas Party was held on Dec. 11 at the Domiciliary. Attending from the Auxiliary at Post 846 were Joy Roth, Mary Secrest and Dana Pflumm. The festivities started at 11:00 and it was all over by 3:00. What a great time! It was wonderful to see the Vets enjoy themselves with the new totes, goodies and little presents that were given to them in their bags. Lots and lots of homemade cookies, pop, smiles and Merry Christmas wishes! It was a joy being a part such a fun and happy occasion. Now, our next visit will be on Thursday, Jan. 26, weather allowing. We leave the Post at 5:45 and will be home by 9:00. Come join us!
...Chris Anderson and Dana Pflumm

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ANSWER to LAST MONTH'S TRIVIA...

Golf legend **Arnold Palmer**, who passed away on Sep. 25, 2016, served in the U.S. Coast Guard from 1951-53.

TRIVIA QUESTION OF THE MONTH...

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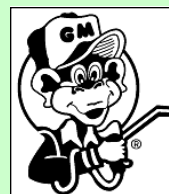


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Get ready for the **VALENTINE'S DAY DINNER-DANCE** Sunday, Feb. 12, 2017. Dinner by Chef Larry Fries. More information on the way...

Get your VALENTINE GREETING in next month's Newsletter...

Say something nice to your Loved One, wife, husband, child, friend, or in Memory of someone special. Your comments will be posted in a special section of the February newsletter. Only \$5 for up to ten words. Please send or bring it in by January 22nd. Thanks!



POW/MIA REPORT... Ray Calore

January 27th is the 44th anniversary of signing the Paris "Peace" Accords, supposedly ending U.S. involvement in the Vietnam War, and the return of only 591 American prisoners of war. And still, so many questions remain unanswered. Perhaps, as we say our prayers, we can keep the following verse in mind:

But the LORD says:



Don't cry any longer, for I have heard your prayers and you will see them again; they will come back to you from the distant land of the enemy.

JEREMIAH 31:16

CHAPLAIN'S REPORT... Lane Smith



Jack Hiles is in Shawnee Mission Med-Center, Rm. 302. You can call him at the hospital for now. Hurry back, Jack !

If you are aware of a member of the Post who is sick, hospitalized or has passed away, or in need of help, please contact the Post at 913-648-4991, Have a safe and happy New Year !

KANSAS VFW CONFERENCES...

- * State Mid-Winter conference Jan. 13-14 at Junction City.
- * District 2 Mid-Winter conference Jan. 28 at Lenexa Post, 10am



All members in good standing are invited to attend. (There will not be an Auxiliary meeting at this conference.)

Let's earn another Traveling Trophy by attending the District meeting on the 28th!



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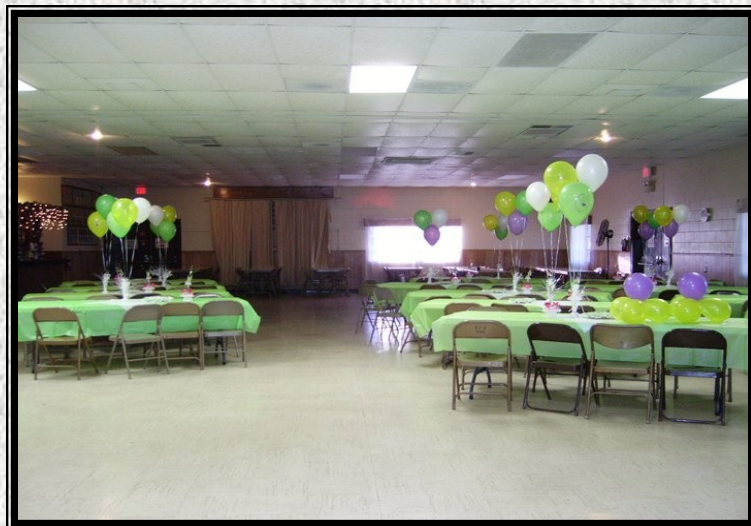


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Military Service Army Air Force Coast Guard Navy Marines Current Status: Veteran National Guard/ Reserve Active Duty

Qualifying Service
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