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RAY CALORE
EDITOR

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— It's All Good!



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MEMBERSHIP!**



COMMANDER'S COLUMN..... "Principles Above Personalities" ...MIKE BRUNNING, Commander

Comrades... Looks like warm weather is leaving us for the year. As we head into cooler weather, please remember to keep an eye on our Comrades that might need a helping hand to stay warm. I'm glad to inform you all that BOTH our heat units are operational and working well. Special thanks to our new Heating and Cooling provider, Shane Wyatt with Wyatt Heating and Cooling.

There will be a SPECIAL ELECTION at the Nov. 9th meeting. The Post needs a new Junior Vice-commander to fill out the 2017—2018 term. If you intend to run for that office, let us know or just show up to be nominated at the meeting.

I want to personally thank all that attended the District 2 meeting in Desoto. Once AGAIN we have outshined the rest of the District to bring home the Traveling Trophy.

We have a few events I would like to inform you about. We have the annual Mouse Races on the 4th, followed by Veterans Day Buddy Poppy Drive on the 10th and 11th, and Veterans Appreciation, Flag Retirement Ceremony and lunch on the 11th. Then we have Thanksgiving Dinner on the 23rd; bring a dessert. Donations for the dinner are welcomed and needed.

There are new members and transfers starting to fill our ranks, please make them feel welcomed. If you don't recognize somebody, introduce yourself and get to know them.

Last but not the least, our prayers go out to the family of Marvin D. Chesbro who we have lost on September 15. We shall see him again in Post Everlasting. He had a kind heart and was a very good friend. He will be missed. See you at the events. **..Mike Brunning, Commander**

" Before you complain, have you volunteered yet?"

VFW AUXILIARY... ..TANYA BRUNNING, President

Greetings Auxiliary Members... The VA Hospital picnic was a rousing success, thank you to all that attended. Lots of good information came from the District meeting, minutes will be available soon. VFW Auxiliary 846 had the most members present with 11, keep up the good work.

The Mouse Races are November 4th. Tell your friends and family; it is a great family friendly evening. We will need help with food and running the betting windows. Sponsorship forms are available in the Canteen.

November and December will be busy months, so please be sure to attend the monthly meetings on the 2nd Thursday of the month! We will be adopting families for Thanksgiving and Christmas; we will get details out as they are determined. We are also trying to adopt a unit that is deployed overseas.

...Tanya Brunning, President

"What is the essence of Life? To serve others and to do good." — Aristotle



TAILGATE PARTY before every CHIEFS game. \$5 hamburgers, hot dogs, etc. Please bring a side dish to share.

GO CHIEFS !

SUN. NOV. 5 at DALLAS — 3:25pm
— NOV. 12 — BYE WEEK
SUN. NOV. 19 at GIANTS — Noon
SUN. NOV. 26 vs BILLS — Noon

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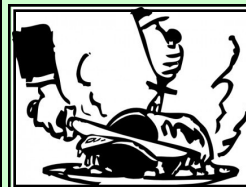
The MOUSE RACES are BACK !!



Great family fun !
Saturday, November 4, 6:30pm.
Watch those little critters run, and place friendly wagers on each race.
More info in this newsletter...

**Next Month — ARE YOU READY FOR
PRIME RIB DINNER by LARRY FRIES ?**

December 9th, 6:30



**Right after the
ARMY—NAVY GAME
December 9th, 2pm**

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1  OPEN MIKE 9 to 12pm	2	3 Dinner at 7pm TEXAS HOLD'EM 7 and 10 pm	4  MOUSE RACES 6pm
5 Kick-Ball 12—3pm CHIEFS at Dallas / 3:25	6 TEXAS HOLD'EM 7 and 10 pm	7 7pm House cmtee meets LIFE WITH PTSD 6:30pm \$1 TACOs	8  OPEN MIKE 9 to 12pm	9 Planning Meeting 6pm Post & Aux. Meetings 7pm	10 USMC 1775 Dinner at 7pm TEXAS HOLD'EM 7 and 10 pm	VETERANS DAY Flag Disposal KARAOKE 7 to 11 pm
12 Kick-Ball 12—3pm CHIEFS BYE WEEK	13 TEXAS HOLD'EM 7 and 10 pm	14 LIFE WITH PTSD 6:30pm \$1 TACOs	15  OPEN MIKE 9 to 12pm	16 7pm Post Open Meeting	17 Dinner at 7pm TEXAS HOLD'EM 7 and 10 pm	18 KARAOKE 7 to 11 pm
19 Kick-Ball 12—3pm CHIEFS at Giants / noon	20 PACK Food Baskets TEXAS HOLD'EM 7 and 10 pm	21 DELIVER Food Baskets LIFE WITH PTSD 6:30pm \$1 TACOs	22  OPEN MIKE 9 to 12pm	23  FREE THANKS- GIVING DINNER	24 Dinner at 7pm TEXAS HOLD'EM 7 and 10 pm	25 KARAOKE 7 to 11 pm
26 Kick-Ball 12—3pm CHIEFS vs Bills / noon	27 TEXAS HOLD'EM 7 and 10 pm	28 LIFE WITH PTSD 6:30pm \$1 TACOs	29  OPEN MIKE 9 to 12pm	30 5:45 V.A. Hospital Visit		

HELPING FAMILIES at THANKSGIVING...



Once again, Post 846 will give a helping hand to some less fortunate families in the area. We will need Your Help in doing this.

* Please donate a ham, turkey, or canned goods for this

purpose. You can bring them to the Post any time.

*** TWO PARTS NEXT:**

— **Packing** the gift boxes: To help, please be at the Post by 3pm, Monday, Nov. 20th.

— **Delivering** the gift boxes: To help, please be at the Post by 3pm on Tuesday, Nov. 21st.

It feels good to help someone during the Holiday Season. And it counts for Community Service at the Post.

(We will do the same thing for Christmas. Details in next month's Newsletter. Thanks for your help.)

FREE THANKSGIVING DAY APPRECIATION DINNER



Happy Turkey Day! In appreciation for the dedication of our Comrades, Auxiliary and Friends, there will be a Thanksgiving Day dinner at the Post, no charge. Thank you to Jerry Severtson for putting this all together.

ANSWER to LAST MONTH'S TRIVIA...

Gen. Douglas MacArthur, in his retirement speech, said "Old soldiers never die, they just fade away."

TRIVIA QUESTION OF THE MONTH...

The Marine Corps mascot is an English bulldog. What is its name?



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What are you Sponsoring: Mouse Race

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Amount Paid: _____

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Sponsorship Form Deadline Sunday, October 29th

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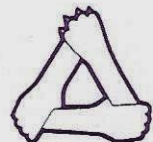
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What's Happening at the Post?

KARAOKE every SATURDAY...

Please join us and your friends for some good-time Karaoke starting at 7pm. It's always fun to sing along, or just sit back with a cool drink and enjoy the "talent."



OPEN MIKE WEDNESDAYS...

from 9-12 where people can bring their guitars or instruments and sing their original songs. This is good entertainment at the local level. Come on down!

TEXAS HOLD'EM NOW ON FRIDAYS and MONDAYS, TOO...

Every Monday and Friday evening in the Canteen, 7pm and 10pm (with Prestige Poker.)
Only \$5 buy-in donation.
Dinner is available at 7pm.
GOOD LUCK!

KICK BALL IN OUR YARD...

Family Fun! Every Sunday from 12—3 there will be Kick-Ball played in the 846 field. Just show up and play, or create a team. Fun for the kids and grand-kids.

ONE-DOLLAR \$1 TACO TUESDAY

Every Tuesday starting at 6:30.
Take a break and come on down!

HELP FILL OUR FOOD PANTRY...

Comrades, Auxiliary, and Friends — please keep in mind those in our community who are less fortunate than we are. We will be assisting them during the Holiday Season, but we need your donations of canned goods and non-perishable food items to replenish our food pantry. Please bring a few when you stop by the Post.

We also need a few more turkeys and hams to distribute for Thanksgiving. Your help is very much appreciated.

LIFE WITH P.T.S.D.

discussion with Norm Holle every Tuesday at 6:30pm at the Post. Remember, it's not about what's Wrong with you, it's about what Happened to you. Norm and his wife Carolyn have 16 years experience in this field of helping Veterans.
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ALL-AMERICAN STATUS for OUR AUXILIARY

The Auxiliary of VFW Post 846 has achieved All-American status for the year 2016-2017. This honor is based on the unit's overall performance during the membership year, including all programs, reporting, and community service.

PHOTO (l-r): Sheryl Gulley, Aux. President for the award year of 2016-2017, led her team to this high honor. On right, current president Tanya Brunning now strives to repeat that accomplishment with the help and dedication of our Auxiliary members. Good job, and THANK YOU.

CHAPLAIN'S REPORT...

...Chaplain LANE SMITH



We are sad to report that Marvin Chesbro passed away on September 15th, and was buried at Fort Scott National Cemetery. Rest in Peace,

Marvin.

Bud Starling is still recuperating at home. Hang in there, Bud !

Please let me know of anyone in distress. Our thoughts and prayers go out to them.

...Chaplain LANE

POW/MIA REPORT...

Ray Calore, Chairman



In the coming weeks you will hear the phrase "tis the season" quite a bit. It's meant to make us all feel good about the upcoming festivities.

During the active Vietnam War years (1963 to 1973), there were 230 American service personnel who became POW or MIA in the months of mid-November to January 3rd. Of that number, four went missing on Veterans Day, five on Christmas Day, and eleven on New Year's Day. Please keep them in mind as you continue with your Holiday activities. They continue to serve and sacrifice in our name.



The Post 846 team at the Eisenhower Vigil, Abilene, KS: (left to right): Joe Baucom, Mike Martin, Dana Pflumm, Jack Hiles, Sheryl Gulley, Mike Brunning, Christine Anderson, Ray Calore. Each was awarded the 5-Star pin in honor of 5-Star General Eisenhower.



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VETERANS DAY ACTIVITIES

Friday & Saturday, November 10 and 11 —
BUDDY POPPY DRIVE

— We always need help at the stores to distribute Buddy Poppies. They serve as a reminder to the community about the sacrifices of our Veterans. Proceeds go into the Post Relief Fund. Please be at the Post by 0830.



Followed by Veterans Appreciation Lunch. There will be a Flag Retirement ceremony at 1600 hours. Everyone is invited to participate.

V.A. HOSPITAL REPORT...



Hallowfest was in the air at the Leavenworth VA Hospital Wednesday night, Oct. 25th. There to enjoy the evening were Sheryl Gulley, Mary Seccrest and Chris Anderson as well as our District 2 President, Suzie Puckett, District Secretary, Donna Dornes and other Auxiliaries from District 2. Everyone there had a great time. Lots of fun, laughs and smiles. We brought apples and bananas, cupcakes, and Chris' Brownie Troop made treats for the Veterans to enjoy. Thank you, young ladies!

Our next visit will be on Thursday, Nov. 30. Be at the Post to car-pool by 5:45. This is our way to say "Thank you" to those Veterans who put their lives on the line for us. Come join us — Happy Thanksgiving!

...Chris Anderson and Dana Pflumm



**KNOW A
VETERAN
TELL A
VETERAN**

Veterans of all United States Armed Forces will soon be able to shop online at shopmyexchange.com



Heart of America STAND DOWN

for Homeless Veterans

WHEN: Friday, November 3

TIME: 0700 to 1400 (that's 7am to 2pm)

PLACE: Memorial Hall, 600 N. 7th St, Kansas City, KS

A one-day event where Homeless Veterans will be provided with some of the short and long-term resources needed to begin rebuilding their lives.

On any given night, there are several hundred Homeless Veterans in the Kansas City area. We believe that those who served our country with HONOR should not be forgotten!

For more information, call Bob Waechter at (773) 850-9938. E-mail bob@kcstanddown.org.



The Eagle flies home to Post 846.

Thanks to our Post participation, the Traveling Trophy made it back to our Post at the District conference on Oct. 21st. Thank you all.

PHOTO (l-r) : David Cuba, District 2 Commander; Mike Brunning, Post 846 Commander; Lee Hursey, State Jr. Vice-commander.

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