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# **JUNE 2020**



## Read your Newsletter. It's all Good!

(P.S. — There is an application inside so you can help rebuild our programs when this COVID thing is all over. Thank you!

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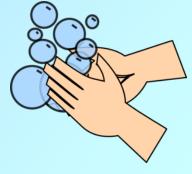












COMMANDER'S COLUMN.... "Principles Above Personalities" ...SCOTT NUSZ, Commander

Comrades — Well, it looks like the storm has passed for now. Time now to stay vigilant, and be safe when you go out.

This will be my last newsletter as commander, as Martin Fries will be assuming the helm as Post Commander on June 14th. Welcome him, I know he will take us to great paces in the future.

There will be a meeting at the Post this month on June 11th at 7pm, snacks and social hour at 6pm. The sale of the Post is getting closer. Will update at the meeting.

Remain calm and strong!

...Your "short-timer" Post Commander... SCOTT NUSZ

#### <u>FROM YOUR 846 AUXILIARY...</u>

#### ...LAURA GULLEY, President

Greetings — I hope you are all still staying safe. We are all still in this together. The results of our elections last month are: President /Dana Pflumm — Sr. Vice /Sheryl Gulley — Jr. Vice /Mary Secrest — Secretary-Treasurer /Chris Anderson — Chaplain /Mollie Nusz — Conductress /Joy Roth — Guard / Debbie Winter, and 3-year Trustee /Laura Gulley. Thanks to all who attended the meeting.

We will conduct the June 11th meeting by ZOOM again. Watch for an e-mail containing the ZOOM ID Number and Password.

We had a good year last year and our Auxiliary is still strong. Please support your incoming officers in the coming year. I would like to thank everyone for the help and support you gave me while I was president. It makes the job much easier.

...Loyally, President LAURA

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#### CHAPLAIN'S REPORT...

#### LANE SMITH

Our Memorial Day service was held at 1100 hours on May 25th at JoCo Memorial Gardens, 112<sup>th</sup> & Metcalf. The event was served by VFW Post 846 and American Legion Post 370, hosted by D.W. Newcomer Funeral Home and Chapel. The ceremony opened with an Invocation by American Legion Post 370 chaplain Doug Latessa followed by special music and remarks by Lt.Col. (ret.) Dave White. This was Lt.Col White's 14<sup>th</sup> consecutive appearance at this Memorial Day event. Following the Col's remarks was the Memorial Roll Call by the American Legion and Auxiliary and VFW Post 846 and Auxiliary. The benediction was given by VFW Post 846 chaplain Lane Smith followed by a rifle salute by the American Legion rifle squad and concluded with Taps.

Those in attendance from Post 846 Auxiliary were Cheryl Gulley and Auxiliary Chaplain Chris Anderson. They also performed the Memorial Roll Call for those in the Auxiliary who have passed away this past year.

From the Post were Jack Hiles, Tony Huddleston, George Arnold and Chaplain Lane Smith who performed the Memorial Roll Call for Post 846.

The service lasted approximately 35 minutes and was dismissed. Thank you to all who attended.

#### V.A. Hospital Report...

#### **CHRISTINE & DANA**

We are still waiting for the OK to visit on the 4th Thursday. Hopefully in July. If you are cleaning out cupboards/shelves remember non-war books, games including card games are always welcome. Winter coats, sweat shirts and those kinds of apparel will be needed too. Thanks for your help.

....Chris Anderson, Hospital Chairperson



#### ANSWER to March's TRIVIA QUESTION...

In 1952 the United States Air Force created Project Blue Book to study UFO sightings.

TRIVIA QUESTION OF THE MONTH...

When did the American Flag have more than 13 stripes?







#### POW/MIA REPORT... RAY CALORE, Chairman

INCIDENT SYNOPSIS: 1LT Charles Lee Hoskins, of Roeland Park, Kansas: .

Maj. Ralph N. Pattillo was the pilot and 1Lt. Charles L. Hoskins the weapons/systems officer of an F4D fighter bomber from the 497th Tactical Fighter Squadron based at Ubon Airbase, Thailand. At 1930 hours on February 16, 1971, the two were sent on a combat mission over Laos.

During the mission, the aircraft was shot down less than a mile from Ban Dakyon, Laos, an area which was then under control of North Vietnamese forces. Because of heavy enemy forces on the ground, ground search was impossible. Air search efforts failed to produce evidence of the downed plane or the two officers, and the search was terminated.

A report given to his parents, Charles and Margaret of Roeland Park, stated that it was possible that either Hoskins or Pattillo may have been able to successfully eject from the plane in the darkness, and it was possible that one or both could have been captured.

**NOTE** from Chairman Ray: The POW/MIA bracelet that I've worn for 35 years bears the name of 1LT (now CAPT) Charles L. Hoskins. I knew his parents and will wear his bracelet until he is returned.

LIFE WITH PTSD. — The regular meetings WILL RECONVENE on Tuesday, June 2nd at 6:30pm. Join Norm Holle, Mike Martin and their team at VFW Post 7397, Lenexa.

#### **ARE YOU READY?**

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Pretty soon this corona virus thing will be over, and we can get back to our VFW business as usual— only better! Please start thinking about what you can do to help in the programs of Post 846, and if there is a specific area in which you feel able

to make a difference. You can contact your incoming Post Commander Martin Fries, or incoming Auxiliary President Dana Pflumm to offer your talent and expertise to propel your Overland Park VFW back into a leadership position in the Second District and the Department of Kansas. Call us at (913) 735-3127 and leave a message.

Remember, "No One Does More For Veterans" than the VFW, and it all starts, and continues, right here at your Post 846! Thank you.

See you at the next meeting on June 11th. Social hour and snacks at 6pm, meeting starts at 7.





TO:

## **SCOTT NUSZ**

On being elected Commander of District 2, Department of Kansas VFW

WAY TO GO, COMRADE COMMANDER!



TO:

### LAURA GULLEY

On being elected President of District 2 Auxiliary, Department of Kansas VFW.

WAY TO GO, MADAM PRESIDENT!



# FIRST TIME IN HISTORY

WE CAN SAVE THE HUMAN RACE BY LAYING IN FRONT OF THE T.V. AND DOING NOTHING

LETS NOT SCREW THIS UP



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