



***SANTA FE EXPRESS***  
**NEWSLETTER — VFW POST 846**  
**OVERLAND PARK, KANSAS — (913) 735-3127**



**SEPTEMBER 2020**

COMRADES, This is our NEW Post location, we're working on getting the interior done in a way that will suit our membership. MEANWHILE, we will still conduct our meetings at American Legion 370, 75th & Conser. For more information, read the Commander's Column, next page.



**Read your Newsletter.**  
**It's all Good !**  
There is an application inside so you can help rebuild our programs when this COVID thing is all over. And you can VOLUNTEER any time at all Thanks!

Post Website: [www.vfwpost846ks.org](http://www.vfwpost846ks.org)  
Facebook link: VFW Post 846

**RAY  
CALORE  
EDITOR**



**THINK  
MEMBERSHIP!**





**COMMANDER's COLUMN..... "Principles Above Personalities" ...MARTIN FRIES, Commander**

Comrades, at our last meeting it was approved to lease the property located at 10630 B, Metcalf Ln, Overland Park, KS located in Hooters Plaza Shopping Center. The lease has been signed and we now have the keys for our new VFW Post 846 location. However we will have some work to do inside the building to make it our own. With that, our next meeting will still be at the American Legion Post 370 located at 7500 W 75<sup>th</sup> St. in Overland Park on Thursday, Sep. 10th. The Legion will have dinner specials before our meeting so please come early for our meeting and enjoy the fellowship. Our next meeting will be a short one, then we will head over to our new location so all can see the inside and see what we can do to make it ours. As you can see from the picture we are right next to several restaurants and will have lots of cars driving by to help us increase our presence in the area. **...MARTIN FRIES, Post Commander**



**VFW Post 846  
new location**

**FROM YOUR 846 AUXILIARY...**

**..DANA PFLUIMM, President**

Greetings Sisters and Brothers, Please read Chris Anderson's Hospital report in the newsletter. She has listed by month what we can donate to the Leavenworth VA Hospital. Since we cannot go there, this would be a great way to let our Veterans know that they are not forgotten. For various reasons, we will not be participating in the Buddy Poppy drive over the Labor Day weekend.

**Chris has kindly opened her home for our Sept. 10<sup>th</sup> meeting. Her address is 7727 Hardy in Overland Park and her phone # is 913-940-1003.** She has a large deck that meets the standards of social distancing. If the weather is bad, we'll go inside. Directions: If you are going north on I-35, take the 75<sup>th</sup> Street exit and make a right, east. Make a right at Hardy and her house is the last one on that street to the left. If you are going south on I-35, take the 75<sup>th</sup> St. exit and make a left. Follow the same directions as above. If you wish to attend by Zoom the password and meeting number will be sent to you by email. ~ The 2<sup>nd</sup> District School of Instruction will be in Emporia, Saturday, Sept. 12 at 10:00. We would love to see you there. If you can't make it to Emporia, again you can attend by Zoom. The password and meeting number will be sent to you by email. Have a safe Holiday and wear your masks. All of you are important to us and we want to see you at our next meeting.

**...God Bless You and Yours,**

**...President DANA**

**KANSAS COMMISSION ON VETERANS AFFAIRS — "OPERATION RECOGNITION"**

The State of Kansas sponsors "**Operation Recognition**" to honor World War II and Korean era veterans who left school to join the military and never received a high school diploma. In recognition of their outstanding contribution, The Kansas Commission on Veterans Affairs Office, through a program called "Operation Recognition" for WW II and Korean War Veterans, is working with schools, cities, and service organizations to award **Honorary High School Diplomas** to qualifying WW II and Korean War Veterans. This is a small, overdue gesture of our society's gratitude for the sacrifice these individuals made in the name of freedom. (For more information, contact KCVA, (800) 513-7731).

# SEPTEMBER

## 2020



**VETERANS of FOREIGN WARS**  
**SANTA FE TRAIL POST 846**  
 Meet at 7500 W. 75th St., OVERLAND PARK, KS 66204

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 Website [www.vfwpost846ks.org/](http://www.vfwpost846ks.org/)

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2	3	4	5
			BINGO AT LEGION 370		Legion KARAOKE BINGO AT LEGION 370	
6	7	8	9	10	PATRIOT DAY	12
	LABOR DAY HOLIDAY		BINGO AT LEGION 370	VFW 846 Meetings at Legion 370 7pm	Legion KARAOKE BINGO AT LEGION 370	Dist. 2 Conference Emporia Post 1980 10 a.m.
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
	Overland Park City Council Meeting 7pm		BINGO AT LEGION 370			
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
			BINGO AT LEGION 370		Legion KARAOKE BINGO AT LEGION 370	
27	28	29	30			
GOLD STAR FAMILIES Amer. Legion SUNDAY BREAKFAST 8:30 — 11am		HAPPY BIRTHDAY VFW 1899	BINGO AT LEGION 370			



## VFW POST 846 and AUXILIARY MEETINGS ON THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 10, 7pm.

Meet at American Legion 370,  
75th & Conser.

NOTE: Auxiliary may ZOOM,  
check the link in the Aux. Pres. column.



**Our September 10th meet-  
ing will be a short one, then we will all go to our  
NEW LOCATION on Metcalf.**

See you at the meeting!

HAPPY BIRTHDAY #121 TO  
**THE VETERANS of  
FOREIGN WARS**  
September 29, 1899

### CHAPLAIN'S REPORT...

**LANE SMITH**



Comrades, September is  
**POW/MIA** month. Please  
do what you can to support  
and raise awareness of the  
issue. More info coming!

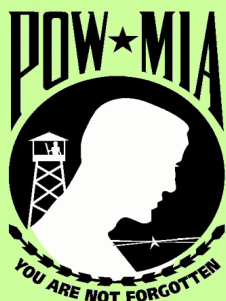
Who do you know that  
is suffering from either health issues  
or otherwise? We at VFW Post 846  
are always concerned for the well-  
being of our membership. When we  
do not hear from the membership we  
have to assume all is well. Recently  
the reports we have received have all  
been good. Please remember we are  
here in time of your need.

**Be well and stay safe.**

**...Chaplain LANE**

### POW/MIA REPORT...

**RAY CALORE, Chairman**



National POW/MIA Recognition Day is  
the third Friday of this month, September  
18th. Here in Kansas we extend that to  
Recognition Week, and the same for the  
City of Overland Park.

This year, our activities will be different  
(as you might have suspected). There will  
not be a POW/MIA Proclamation signing  
ceremony at the Governor's office. I submit-  
ted the proclamation to Governor Kelly, and  
when she signs it we will receive copies to disseminate.

In Overland Park, Mayor Gerlach will sign the city proclama-  
tion at the Sep. 14 City Council meeting which we can attend.  
**Space is extremely limited** because of COVID. If you are an  
Overland Park resident and would like to attend, please call  
me at (913) 787-0226.

Meanwhile, please keep the POW/MIA issue in the forefront  
of your prayers and activities. *Thanks!*

**How long is this  
social distancing  
supposed to last? My  
wife keeps trying to  
come in the house.**

# VOLUNTEERS NEEDED



## THIS IS EXCITING !!

Well, now that we have our new Post loca-  
tion, we have work ahead to fancy up the inter-  
ior to suit the needs of our membership. How  
can you help? Do you have skills in carpentry,  
floor tile, painting, sweeping and cleaning, or any  
number of ways you can pitch in.

Interested? **Call (913) 735-3127**  
and talk to Commander Martin, or leave  
a message on voice mail. When the  
new Post 846 is up and running, you  
can proudly say you were part of the  
team that made it happen! **THANKS!**





**V.A. Hospital Report... ...CHRISTINE ANDERSON, Chmn.**



We bought watermelons for the Vets in the domiciliary this month and are putting together packets with sudoku books, envelopes, paper, even colored pencils for September. October is going to be microwave popcorn. *Anne's Closet* is open for giving clothing to the VETs using the Leavenworth Domiciliary and others. If you have donations contact me and I'll come get your gently used clothing. Also, we are in a contest with the Department officers and are fund raising to donate to the Department Hospital Fund. We would love to have your donation. We may not be able to go into the hospital, but our donations can. So, three ways you can help: microwave popcorn (or money and I'll buy it), gently used clothing, and or money for the Department hospital fund made in our Auxiliary's name. Any or all the above, Call Chris Anderson 912-940-1003. Writing a check? Send to 7727 Hardy St. 66204. If you are a POST member and would like to help we would welcome that very much ...**Chris Anderson, Hospital Chmn.**

**Happy Birthday**  
**Sep. 18, 1947**



**U.S.**  
**AIR FORCE**

**WARNING!**  
**BOOCOO DINKY DAU**



**DISTRICT 2 CONFERENCE  
and School of Instruction**

will be held at Emporia Post 1980 on Saturday, September 12 at 10am. Coffee and donuts will be set up at 9am. It's less than 2 hours to the Emporia Post, and it's well worth the trip. (At least you will get out of the house for a while.) We can all get updated information on the programs of the VFW Remember, if Post 846 has more members there than other District posts, we can regain the Traveling Trophy. See you there!



EMPORIA, KS Post 1980

932 Graphic Arts Rd.

Emporia, KS

phone: (620) 342-9864



**LIFE WITH PTSD.** — The regular meetings have reconvened every Tuesday at 6:30pm. Join Norm Holle, Mike Martin and their team at VFW Post 7397, 96th & Pflumm, Lenexa.

**ANSWER to August's TRIVIA QUESTION...**

On August 2, 1964, the U.S. destroyers *Mad-dox* and *Turner Joy* were reportedly fired on by North Vietnamese torpedo boats.

**TRIVIA QUESTION OF THE MONTH...**

Who was the first person to use the term "atomic bomb"?

**ACTIVITIES FOR AMERICAN LEGION POST 370**

**75th & CONSER, OVERLAND PARK, KS**

**Phone: (913) 432-4012**

**370 BINGO**



**WEDNESDAYS and  
FRIDAYS — 7pm**

**TACOS &  
MARGARITAS  
EVERY TUESDAY**

**TEXAS HOLD'EM  
EVERY WEDNESDAY**

**WING NIGHT  
EVERY THURSDAY**



**KARAOKE  
NIGHT  
Every Friday**

**SUNDAY  
BREAKFAST**

**September 27  
0830 — 1100**





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SIGNATURE: \_\_\_\_\_

\$1.98 of your membership dues goes towards your VFW magazine subscription.

**For assistance, please call (913) 735-3125**