



# ***SANTA FE EXPRESS***

**NEWSLETTER — VFW POST 846**

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## **AUGUST**

2021



**RAY CALORE**  
Editor



**VFW Post 846**

**new location**

**Next Meeting, AUG 12**

**10630-B Metcalf Lane, O.P.**

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

**Facebook link: [VFW Post 846](#)**

**(COVID—It ain't over til it's over.)**  
**STAY SAFE, WE NEED YOU !**





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

Comrades of Post 846, At the JULY Post meeting **it was voted on and approved to start to open up on Friday nights from 4 to 8 pm.** The first date we are looking at opening up will be **6<sup>th</sup> of August.** We will be working on going thru the storage units to determine what we want to bring to the Post (Art work and items to put on the walls).

**We will have our next meeting on 12 AUG, dinner is at 6PM followed by meeting at 7pm.** Please do not go into the post until 6pm, since the Auxiliary will be having their meeting from 5pm to 6pm. We need everyone's help to get our membership number up and please let current members who have not attended a meeting in a while to come out to see the new location.

**...Martin Fries, Post Commander**

**FROM YOUR AUXILIARY...**

**...DANA PFLUMM, President**

Greetings Sisters and Brothers, If anyone hasn't notice, it's dang hot out there. Almost makes you wish for winter. Almost, that is. The Department School of Instruction will be on Aug. 13 - 15 in WaKeeney. Registration forms and the agenda are in the email from Janice Criswell of July 22. Masks are required. If you can't attend, you can participate on Zoom by sending your name, email address and what you wish to attend to [jcriswell@vfwauxiliary.org](mailto:jcriswell@vfwauxiliary.org) and your name will be added to the Zoom invitation list. Janice will send you an email with the meeting number and passcode. Then, the District School of Instruction will be held at Post 5901 in Ottawa, Sept. 11, at 10:00. There will be a lunch afterward, Ottawa will provide the meat and they request that we bring a side dish or a dessert.

Because we have an art project for the VA Hospital after our meeting, we will meet at 5:00, Thurs. Aug. 12 at Chris Anderson's home at 7727 Hardy, 913-940-1003. These projects and our camaraderie are always fun so come and join us. We'd love to have you. Since it is so hot, remember to be careful whenever you venture outside, have sunscreen and lots of water with you. As a reminder, many of the little ones start school again in August so watch out for them.

**...May God Bless You and Yours, President DANA**

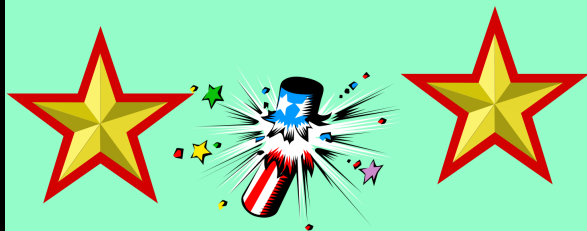
THANK GOODNESS IT'S

**FRIDAY**

AUGUST 6, 2021

**Open for regular business  
every Friday, starting August 6th.  
1600 to 2000 hrs. (that's 4—8 pm)  
VFW Post 846, 10630 Metcalf Ln.**

**Come on in and see your friends  
and have a cold one at the  
"NEW" Post 846 !**



Check us out — We think you'll like what we've done with the place!

**LENEXA VA CLINIC, now open to serve You.**

**15512 West 113th Street, Lenexa, KS 66219**

Phone: (816) 922-2522

e-mail: [LenexaVAClinic@va.gov](mailto:LenexaVAClinic@va.gov)



**HOURS of OPERATION: 8:00 am — 4:30pm, Mon-Fri  
CLOSED, Saturday and Sunday.**

**For Emergencies: KC VA MedCenter, (816) 861-4700  
4801 Linwood Boulevard, Kansas City, MO**

# AUGUST

## 2021

### Veterans of Foreign Wars

Santa Fe Trail Post 846

10630 Metcalf Lane

Overland Park, KS 66204

New phone — (913) 735-3127

[www.vfwpost846.org](http://www.vfwpost846.org)



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2	3 "Life /PTSD" 1830 hrs. at Lenexa VFW 7397	4 BINGO AT LEGION 370 7 p.m.	5	6 Post 846 OPEN 4 to 8pm Legion Bingo 7 p.m.	7
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15	16	17 Davy Crocket's Birthday, 1786 "Life /PTSD" 1830 hrs. Lenexa VFW	18 BINGO AT LEGION 370 7 p.m.	19	20 846 OPEN 4 to 8pm Norm & Mike's PTSD Appreciation 6pm BINGO 7pm	21
22 Legion 370 BREAKFAST 0830—1100 	23	24 "Life /PTSD" 1830 hrs. at Lenexa VFW 7397	25 BINGO AT LEGION 370 7 p.m.	26	27 Post 846 OPEN 4 to 8pm Legion Bingo 7 p.m.	28
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## VFW POST 846 MEETING Thurs, AUG. 12, 7pm

at our new location,  
10630-B Metcalf Lane  
(Next to Hooters)

We will have an informal dinner at 6pm. Feel free to bring a dessert to share!

\*Auxiliary will meet at Christine Anderson's house, 7727 Hardy, at 5pm, AUG 12.

Come to the meeting, it will be fun!

### CHAPLAIN'S REPORT... LANE SMITH

...Chaplain LANE (913) 649-1515

Greetings, Comrades and Sisters! I hope everyone is well and surviving the summer temperatures. Remember to let me know if you or someone in your family is injured, hospitalized, or deceased. As your Chaplain, I'll do everything I can to offer support and comfort.

Keep cool, and enjoy the rest of the summer!

... Chaplain LANE



The Veterans Administration, together with the Department of Defense, has authorized the use of a new

### ELECTRIC WHEELCHAIR.

Sign up for yours TODAY.



### PTSD Milestone...

On Friday, August 20th, we will have an Appreciation Day event at the Post, for **NORM HOLLE, MIKE MARTIN and their CREW** For helping 1,000 Veterans to attain "100% Disability" In the PTSD program.

Please join us in congratulating Norm, Mike, and Crew for this major accomplishment. Starts at 6pm, Friday, AUG 20.

**"LIFE WITH PTSD"** meetings are being held at the Lenexa VFW, 96th & Pflumm, every Tuesday at 1830 hrs. Norm, Mike, and their crew do a great job in guiding us through the maze of PTSD and the V.A.



### HEROES AMONG US

SERVING KANSAS AND MISSOURI HEROES SINCE 2010

### 4th ANNUAL GOLF CLASSIC Friday, September 10, 2021

Join us at **DUB'S DREAD GOLF CLUB**, 12601 Hollingsworth Rd, Kansas City, KS, for our 4th Annual 4-person scramble golf tournament. Enjoy a great day of golf with your buddies while helping Kansas and Missouri area wounded Veterans, Active Duty, First Responders and their families in need of support.

1:00 Shotgun Start 11:00-12:30 Registration  
11:30-12:45 Lunch and snacks 6:00 Dinner and Awards

\$120/player or \$480/team. Fee includes: Green Fee, Cart, Tee-Pack, Driving Range, Lunch and Dinner, Beer and Soft Drinks on the course, Hole Prizes. \*\*Fees and Contributions may be tax deductible. Check with your accountant.

For more information: Daryl Miser (816) 518-8723 HAUmidwest@gmail.com or  
Tod Bunting ((785) 817-4504 or  
Heroesamonguskc.org

Player 1 name/email \_\_\_\_\_

Player 2 name/email \_\_\_\_\_

Player 3 name/email \_\_\_\_\_

Player 4 name/email \_\_\_\_\_

Payment: Name of Card: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

Card #: \_\_\_\_\_ CVV Code \_\_\_\_\_ Expires \_\_\_\_\_

Mail completed registration form and payment to:

Heroes Among Us 7609 NW Roanridge RD KCMO 64151

If paying by check, make payment to: Heroes Among Us

Sponsorship opportunities (request sponsorship sheet):

Hole Sponsor: \$150





## POW/MIA REPORT...

**RAY CALORE, Chairman**

Dept. of Defense POW/MIA Accounting Agency (DPAA)  
(April 27, 2021).



### Current Status of Unaccounted-for Americans Lost in the Vietnam War

	VIETNAM	LAOS	CAMBODIA	CHINA	TOTAL
Original Missing	1,973	573	90	10	2,646
Repatriated and Identified	729	288	42	3	1,062
Remaining Missing	1,244	285	48	7	1,584

### Resolving "Last Known Alive" Cases

- Of the original 196 individuals "Last Known Alive" in Vietnam (those who survived or may have survived their loss incident and were either alive on the ground, in captivity, or in immediate proximity to capture, but did not return), DOD has confirmed the death of 177, with 19 still unresolved.
- Of the 177 whose deaths have been confirmed, the remains of 51 have been located and identified; efforts continue to recover the remaining 126.
- U.S. and Vietnamese specialists met in Hanoi last year to discuss Last Known Alive cases in Vietnam, as well as in Cambodia and Laos.

NOTE: Due to recent current events, The **National Alliance of Families** is focusing on "The Last Known Alive" Initiative. The Initiative is to provide America information on just that, "The Last Known Alive" — Service members of America's finest knowingly left behind... alive.

## V.A. HOSPITAL REPORT...



August is watermelon month at the Leavenworth VA. So we will buy watermelon for the hospitalized Veterans. They really appreciate it!

Don't forget we are going to make a crafty something to wrap candy bars up to make them look fancy. Sounds like fun, doesn't it? So I'll see you at the meeting!

**Christine Anderson**  
**...Hospital Chairperson**

## ANSWER to JULY's TRIVIA...

During World War II, the Declaration of Independence was stored at Fort Knox, KY.

### THIS MONTH'S QUESTION...

What American frontiersman, born on **August 17, 1786** in Tennessee and died at the Alamo?



## DONATE WARM CLOTHING FOR THE HOMELESS



### VFW POST 846 IS TEAMING UP WITH AMERICAN LEGION POST 370 FOR A COAT, GLOVES, CAPS, SOCKS AND SCARF DRIVE.

Please drop off your donations at our new Post at 10630 Metcalf Lane  
(same shopping mail as The Chartreuse Caboose and Hooters.)

Drop-off dates are every Friday in August, from 5-7pm.

We are working with some organizations that have a good handle on Homeless Veterans and we will make every effort to see to it that what you donate goes to one of the Veterans.

We need both Men's and Woman's outer ware and if you have some childrens coats and such we have a place for them also. So please be generous.

In the event that we have an abundance and have given one to every Veteran Possible any left overs will go to a Charity such as "The Salvation Army" or equivalent



Please no shirts  
or slacks, warm  
outer wear only



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**Questions? Please call (913) 735-3125**