

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

Comrades of Post 846, I hope everyone has or had a GREAT Independence Day (4<sup>th</sup> of July). At the JUNE 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. The Post has awarded its second scholarship to a well-deserved student of one of our post comrades. We will be working on going thru the storage units to determine what we want to bring to the Post and what art work and items on the walls to put up. *We will have our next meeting on 08 JULY, 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 numbers 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, I hope everyone is planning a special event for Independence Day. It is only appropriate that we honor our Founding Fathers for giving us the freedoms all of us enjoy today by celebrating their bravery, foresight and genius..

The VFW and Auxiliary National Convention will be held here, in Kansas City, on Saturday, July 31 - to Tuesday, Aug. 3 at Bartle Hall. Please plan to attend, there will be a wealth of information and program updates. And our **Department 1st place Buddy Poppy Display** will be judged against the other State Winners. I think ours is the best!

At our next meeting, please bring your ideas for our Community Outreach Program. This is a great way to serve our communities and get our name out there. As I said last month, WE NEED YOU! If you have been an active member in the past but haven't been to a meeting for a while, come back. You'll be with a great group of people who take our commitment to our Veterans and their Families very seriously, and we have fun doing it. Our next meeting will be at the Post at 5:00 on July 8. Keep safe and please keep aware of the severe weather warnings. This is Kansas, you really never know what is going to happen. *...May God Bless You and Yours, President DANA* 



# THE WINNING TEAM!

Congratulations to our Auxiliary for taking FIRST PLACE at the State Convention for Buddy Poppy decorative displays. Approximately 1400 poppies were used in the winning display. Pictured above is the creative team who did the work: (from the top): Laura Gulley, Joy Roth, Sheryl Gulley, and Dana Pflumm. Great job, team!





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VFW POST 846 MEETING Thurs, July 8, 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 Post 846 at 5pm, July 8 and then stick around for the food and goodies.

## CHAPLAIN'S REPORT... LANE SMITH

This July 4<sup>th</sup>, celebrate the Declaration of Independence that declares "that we are endowed by our Creator with the unalienable Rights of Life, Liberty and the Pursuit of Happiness". No other document or nation

on this Earth declares such freedoms and liberties that we have in America. Give thanks today for our founding Fathers for their wonderful guidance in pursuing the freedoms that we have in this nation and honor those who have sacrificed so much for this nation.

...Chaplain LANE (913) 649-1515

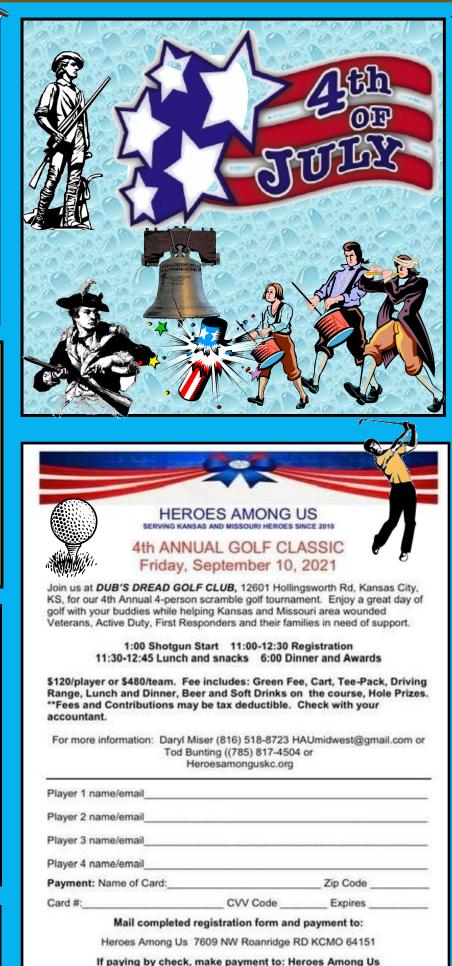
### V.A. HOSPITAL REPORT... ...CHRISTINE ANDERSON, Chrmn.

Another month of dropping things off at Leavenworth VA Center. We are still waiting to be able to play Bingo with the

vets at Leavenworth. But for now we are going to make decorated candy bars at the August meeting. We need more ideas, see you at the July 8th meeting. This month we are looking for something as equally fun. We will talk about it at our next meeting. See you there.

...Chris Anderson, <u>Hospital Chairperson</u>





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## POW/MIA REPORT...

**RAY CALORE, Chairman** The U.S. Congress in 1992 authorized the formation of the **Joint Task Force—Full Accounting (JTF-FA)** to con-



tinue the search mission for American service personnel who are Missing in Action, or held as Prisoners of War. Locating and excavating crash sites, and following-up on live-sighting reports is strenuous work, and is often perilous.

Such was the case on April 7, 2001 when a helicopter carrying seven American searchers and nine Vietnamese soldiers, including the pilot, attempted to fly from Vinh to Hue, near the DMZ. Trying to ascend above the heavy fog, the MI-17 helicopter slammed into the Am Mountain. The 7 U.S. servicemen aboard were:

- Lt.Col. Rennie Cory, Jr. Oklahoma
- Lt.Col. George Martin III S. Carolina
- Maj. Charles E. Lewis New Mexico
- Master Sgt. Steven Moser California
- Chief Petty Officer Pedro Gonzales, AZ
- Tech. Sgt. Robert Flynn Alabama

 Sgt. 1st Class Tommy J. Murphy — Georgia These brave men gave their lives for the POW/ MIA mission, to give a sense of closure to the Families, and to uphold America's promise to her sons and daughters in uniform. Rest in Peace.

Let's make Independence Day a reality for all of our Missing in Action and Prisoners of War.

Sometimes you will never know the value of a moment, until it becomes a memory. —- Dr. Seuss

"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.

ANSWER to JUNE's TRIVIA...

From 1775 to 1784, the U.S. Army was called the Continental Army.

THIS MONTH'S TRIVIA QUESTION...

During World War II, where was the Declaration of Independence stored?

# <u>HERE IS YOUR OPPORTUNITY TO JOIN US AT VFW POST 846...</u> <u>APPLICATION — For questions about eligibility, contact svcmdr@vfwpost846ks.org</u>

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Member SANTA F VETERAN Plea	nk You for your ship and Support of FE TRAIL POST 846 S of FOREIGN WARS se stay involved LL SEE YOU SOON !