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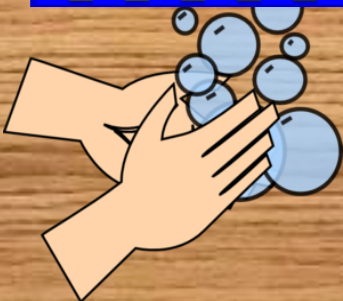
**VFW Post 846**  
new location  
Next meeting, Jan. 13

**10630-B Metcalf Lane,**

**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, last month we had our guest speaker from Royal Thai Army, MAJ Anupong Chuayyu gave us a country brief about Thailand and the Royal Thai Military. The next speaker will be in April, country TBD. Please let people know about these special events we do each quarter.

We have consolidated our storage units into the small unit. The next Post meeting look at your calendar/schedule, since we need people to work on Friday nights. The shifts are 4 to 6 and 6 to 8 PM. One of the items we will be talking about each month at the Post meeting, who is going to be working the shifts so we can stay open on Friday nights. We will also be open for major sports events and special events or occasions. We have two Big Screen TVs that make it very enjoyable.

Upcoming days to remember for February, 13 FEB Super Bowl Sunday, 14 FEB Valentine's Day don't forget about your loved ones on this day! Monday 21 FEB is Presidents Day holiday.

Post elections are coming up, Nominations at our March Meeting with elections at the April's meeting.

**We will have our next meeting on 10 FEB, dinner 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. Membership applications are at the Post. **Remember on Friday nights we are open from 4 to 8 PM and have dinner for those who attend.**

**...MARTIN FRIES, Post Commander**

**FROM YOUR AUXILIARY...**

**...DANA PFLUMM, President**

Greetings Sisters and Brothers, Happy February everyone! This month came in as it should - cold temperatures and a good old snowstorm. Our Auxiliary made checkered valentines and filled them with goodies for our Veterans at the VA in Leavenworth last month. We will always remind our Vets that they are remembered and loved. The 2nd District Coffee Tour will be on Sat., Feb. 12 in Ottawa from 10:00 to noon. This is an informal question and answer meeting, a great venue to get information and meet with your friends from other Auxiliaries. Monday, Feb. 21 is President's Day so fly your flags high and proud. The Post is asking for members to take shifts on Friday nights from 4-6 then 6-8. We are bringing in board games and cards to play so come on down. A warm welcome to our newest member, Ruth Ann Troop! We are so happy you joined us. I wish to thank Sheryl Gulley and Chris Anderson for volunteering their time at Annie's Closet at the VA every week. Their dedication is inspiring. Our next meeting will be Thurs., March 10, at 5:00 at the Post. If the weather is bad, the meeting will be cancelled. If you have any questions, call me at 913-548-5507. Stay safe and warm and may God bless you and yours.

**...President DANA**



**10630-B Metcalf**

**VFW POST 846 MEETING**

**Thurs, FEB. 10, 7pm**

**10630-B Metcalf Lane**

**(Next to Hooters, underneath the BIG BRIGHT VFW SIGN.)**

**An informal dinner at 6pm on meeting night. Feel free to bring a dessert! Come to the meeting, it will be fun and informative.**

**ANSWER to JANUARY's TRIVIA...**

**The Air Force's F-117 fighter uses aerodynamics discovered during research into how bumble bees fly.**

**THIS MONTH's TRIVIA...**

**During World War II, which U.S. aviation group was called "The Black Birdmen" by the Germans?**

# VFW BREAKFAST

**When: Saturday, February 12<sup>th</sup> 9-11 a.m.**

**Where: VFW Post 846, 10630B Metcalf Ave, OPKS**

**Cost: Donations accepted**

**This month's breakfast will be a memorial for our own Comrade Jack Hiles. So please come with your favorite "Jack styled Joke" or a story in remembrance of him.**

**Menu: Biscuits and gravy, hash browns, eggs, bacon, pancakes, waffles, coffee, juice**

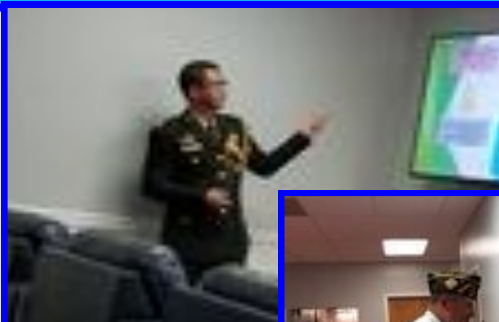
**Bring your family and friends and enjoy a fun, great Breakfast!**

## Post 846 GUEST SPEAKER SERIES

Our Post Commander Martin Fries has implemented a program of Guest Speakers who attend the Leadership College at Fort Leavenworth. At last month's meeting we enjoyed a special presentation by **MAJ. Anupong Chuayyu, Royal Thai Army, Thailand** who gave us a country brief about Thailand and Royal Thai Army.

Those of us who attended were impressed with the Major's presentation, and enjoyed the Q-A segment that followed.

Stay tuned and read your Newsletter for announcement of the next speaker in the series!



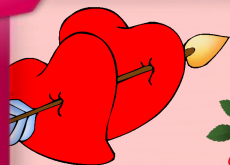
## V.A.HOSPITAL REPORT...

At our January meeting we made checked Valentine hearts for our Vets at the VA in Leavenworth and stuffed with candy and popcorn. Pictured (left) are Joy Winter, Mavourneen Todd, Dana Pflumm, Debbie Winter, Sheryl Gulley, Laura Gulley. Come to the March meeting to see what we will do for St. Patrick's Day. These projects are a lot of fun!

Remember to keep our Veterans in our prayers.

**Chris Anderson, Hospital Chairman**





Happy  
Valentine's  
Day



Monday, February 14 is a Special Day, that's why you're seeing all these Hearts and Flowers. Please do something nice for someone you love, or even someone you like a lot. Enjoy the Day!



## PRESIDENTS DAY



FEBRUARY 21, 2022

**FLY YOUR FLAG PROUDLY!**



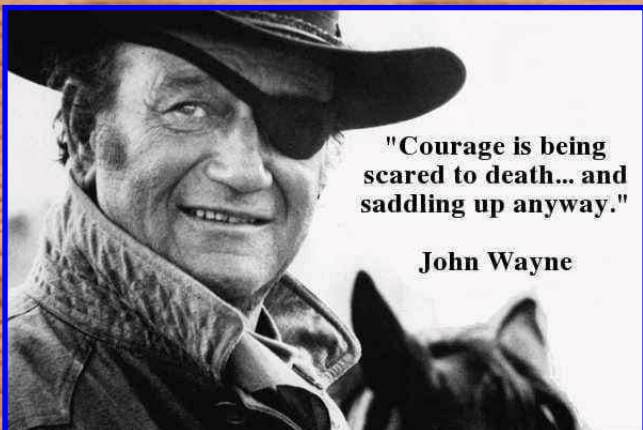
### POW/MIA REPORT...

RAY CALORE, Chairman

The Hanoi March, a/k/a Hanoi Parade, was a propaganda event held on July 6, 1966 where members of the North Vietnamese Army paraded 52 American prisoners of war through the streets of Hanoi before tens of thousands of North Vietnamese civilians. The march quickly became violent with North Vietnamese civilians beating the POWs along the two-mile route with the guards failing to control the attackers. Occurring relatively early in the war, the event highlighted the mistreatment of American prisoners and brought international criticism down upon the Hanoi regime. Later, as the war became increasingly unpopular in the United States and abroad, concern for the welfare of captured U.S. service members would become one of the few areas of common ground between opponents and supporters of the conflict.

(Source: National Alliance of Families)

[Click here](#) for a short 2:13 VideoClip of the Hanoi March.



"Courage is being scared to death... and saddling up anyway."

John Wayne

Super Bowl Sunday



FEB. 13, 2022

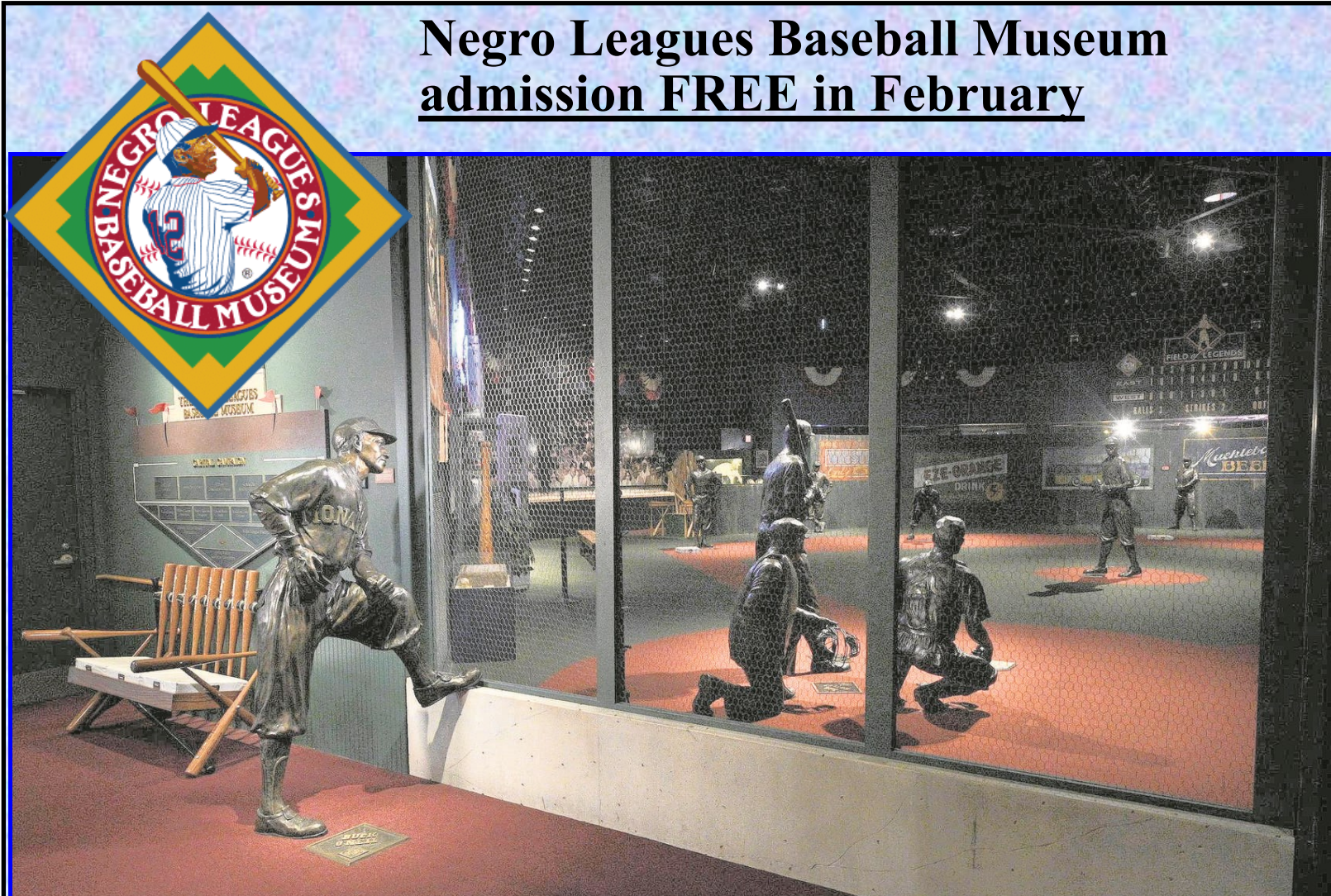
GAME TIME: 5:30 pm

Watch the game on the BIG SCREEN TVs at the Post!





# Negro Leagues Baseball Museum admission **FREE** in February



In honor of Black History Month, the Kansas City Royals announced on Tuesday that they will cover the cost of admission for the month of February and allow visitors to tour the museum free of charge.

[The Negro Leagues Baseball Museum](#), located in Kansas City's historic 18th & Vine Jazz District, is open Tuesdays through Saturdays from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and on Sundays from noon to 5:00 p.m.

Royals Chairman and CEO John Sherman said in a release from the team. "The Royals are proud of our connection with the Museum and the rich history of the Monarchs. The Negro Leagues story is about baseball, but it transcends baseball. It's about American history and our struggles and progress in civil rights, and the Museum presents that story like nowhere else."

(Source: -Kansas City Star, Lynn Worthy)

## **CHAPLAIN'S CORNER... LANE SMITH**



I don't know of any hospital confinements or sicknesses. Remember to call me if you know of any occurrences or changes.

### **Soldiers Creed:**

***I am the soldier.***

***I am my country's strength in war.***

***Her deterrent in peace.***

***I am the heart of the fight.***

(More to come...)

**...Chaplain LANE (913) 649-1515**

## **CANTEEN 846 HOURS**

**The Post will be open**

- ♦ **EVERY FRIDAY** — 4pm to 8pm.
- ♦ Will you help out by "watching" the Post on any Friday, your choice of shift, 4-6 or 6-8.

**Only two hours, any Friday.**

**Please let the commander know at or before the Feb. 10th meeting so he can work out the schedule. Thanks for helping!**





# FEBRUARY 2022

**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 <div>“Life /PTSD” 1830 hrs. at Lenexa</div>	2 <div>Legion Bingo 7 p.m.</div>	3	4 <div>Post 846 <b>OPEN</b> 4 to 8pm</div> <div>Legion Bingo 7 p.m.</div>	5
6	7	8 <div>“Life /PTSD” 1830 hrs. at Lenexa VFW 7397</div>	9 <div>Legion Bingo 7 p.m.</div>	10 <div>VFW 846 Meetings Post @ 7pm Aux. @ 5pm Food— 6pm</div>	11 <div>Post 846 <b>OPEN</b> 4 to 8pm</div> <div>Legion Bingo 7 p.m.</div>	12 <div>VFW Post 846 <b>BREAKFAST</b> Sat. Feb. 12 9 to 11 a.m.</div>
13 <div><b>SUPER BOWL</b> 5:30 pm On our BIG SCREENS!</div>	14  <div><b>Valentine's Day</b></div>	15 <div>“Life /PTSD” 1830 hrs. at Lenexa VFW 7397</div>	16 <div>Legion Bingo 7 p.m.</div>	17	18 <div>Post 846 <b>OPEN</b> 4 to 8pm</div> <div>Legion Bingo 7 p.m.</div>	19
20	21  <div><b>PRESIDENT'S DAY HOLIDAY</b></div>	22 <div>“Life /PTSD” 1830 Bhrs. at Lenexa VFW 7397</div>	23 <div>Legion Bingo 7 p.m.</div>	24	25 <div>Post 846 <b>OPEN</b> 4 to 8pm</div> <div>Legion Bingo 7 p.m.</div>	26
27	28	<div><b>Veterans Crisis Line</b> 1-800-273-8255 <b>PRESS 1</b></div>				



# HERE IS YOUR OPPORTUNITY TO JOIN US AT VFW POST 846...

## APPLICATION — For questions about eligibility, contact [svcmdr@vfwpost846ks.org](mailto:svcmdr@vfwpost846ks.org)

### VFW MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

ver. 01/14

NAME: FIRST \_\_\_\_\_ MIDDLE \_\_\_\_\_ LAST \_\_\_\_\_ EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE OF BIRTH: \_\_\_\_\_  
 ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_ HOME OF RECORD: \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_ GENDER: (M) (F)  
 CITY: \_\_\_\_\_ STATE: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_ CITY: \_\_\_\_\_ STATE: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_ SSN (optional): \_\_\_\_\_

BRANCH OF SERVICE ☐ ARMY ☐ NAVY ☐ AIR FORCE ☐ MARINES ☐ COAST GUARD

DATES OF SERVICE: \_\_\_\_\_

QUALIFYING FOREIGN SERVICE

- ☐ WORLD WAR II ☐ DESERT SHIELD/STORM  
☐ OCCUPATION SERVICE ☐ BOSNIA/KOSOVO  
☐ KOREAN SERVICE (1950-1954) ☐ GLOBAL WAR ON TERRORISM EXPEDITIONARY  
☐ KOREA DUTY (1955 - present) ☐ AFGHANISTAN (2001-present)  
☐ VIETNAM SERVICE ☐ IRAQ (2003-2011)  
☐ EXPEDITIONARY OPERATIONS ☐ SSBN DETERRENT PATROL INSIGNIA  
☐ HOSTILE FIRE/IMMINENT DANGER PAY

MEMBERSHIP TYPE (choose one)

#### ☐ ANNUAL MEMBER

Payment Authorization  
 You may pay by check or credit card. For payments by check, you will receive a yearly statement by mail. For credit card payments, please complete the following:

☐ I authorize the VFW to automatically charge my account \$ \_\_\_\_\_ on a yearly basis to pay my Annual membership dues.

☐ I authorize the VFW to charge my account a one-time payment of \$ \_\_\_\_\_.

#### ☐ LIFE MEMBER

☐ I authorize the VFW to charge my account for a one-time payment of \$ \_\_\_\_\_.

#### ☐ LIFE MEMBER INSTALLMENT PLAN

☐ I authorize the VFW to automatically charge my account \$ \_\_\_\_\_ to be paid in 11 monthly installment payments after my initial payment of \$45.00.

☐ I authorize the VFW to charge the \$45.00 initial payment and I understand that I will be billed for the remaining 11 monthly installment payments.

PREVIOUS EDITIONS OF THIS FORM ARE OBSOLETE.

Please see reverse for terms and conditions of Automatic Payment and Installment Life Plans.

NATIONAL COPY ☐ AMEX ☐ DISCOVER ☐ VISA ☐ MASTERCARD ☐

card no.

Exp. Date: \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_ AMOUNT: \$ \_\_\_\_

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

location: \_\_\_\_\_ dates: \_\_\_\_\_  
☐ NEW Post No. \_\_\_\_\_ ☐ FORMER MEMBER ID No. \_\_\_\_\_  
☐ TRANSFER From Post No. \_\_\_\_\_ to Post No. \_\_\_\_\_  
 transfer complies with Sec. 107  
 RECRUITER (please print) \_\_\_\_\_ name: \_\_\_\_\_ member no.: \_\_\_\_\_  
 QUARTERMASTER: \_\_\_\_\_

The Review Committee has performed its duties and recommends \_\_\_\_\_ approval \_\_\_\_\_ rejection. (signatures of Committee members below)

Committee member \_\_\_\_\_

Committee Member \_\_\_\_\_

Committee Member \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

PLEASE SEPARATE FORMS BEFORE SIGNING

DUES PAID: \_\_\_\_\_

ADMISSION FEE PAID: \_\_\_\_\_

DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

Received by: \_\_\_\_\_

#### VFW PLEDGE

I do, of my own free will and accord, solemnly promise and declare that:  
 I will bear true allegiance -- to the Constitution of the United States of America -- and I will always be loyal thereto.  
 I do further solemnly promise and declare -- that I will comply with the Congressional Charter -- By-Laws and Ritual of this order -- and that I will always be loyal thereto -- that I will never wrong or defraud this organization -- nor a member thereof -- nor permit any wrong to be done to either -- if it is in my power to prevent it.  
 I had never propose for membership -- any person not eligible -- nor one whom I know to be unworthy.  
 I will never make known to anyone -- not authorized to receive it -- any of the work of this order.  
 Should my affiliation -- with the Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States -- cease in any way -- I will consider this pledge -- as binding outside of the order -- as though I had remained a member of same.  
 All this I promise and pledge -- upon the honor of a true comrade -- and a citizen of our great republic.

#### CERTIFICATION (See Sec. 104 By-Laws)



I attest that I am a citizen or national of the United States, that my Campaign Service was honorable, that I have never subsequently been discharged from military service under dishonorable conditions. I also certify that (1) I am entitled to a campaign ribbon or medal authorized by the U.S. Government based on my overseas service or; (2) I have served overseas in Korea or; I have received Imminent Danger or Hostile Fire Pay. I further give authority to the Veterans of Foreign Wars to verify honorable overseas service entitling me to membership.

DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

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

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

Received from: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Post No.: \_\_\_\_\_  
 City and State: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Membership Application - Veterans of Foreign Wars of the U.S.  
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 Received By: \_\_\_\_\_  
 (circle one) CASH CHECK VISA MASTERCARD DISCOVER AMEX



Thank You for your  
 Membership and Support of  
**SANTA FE TRAIL POST 846**  
**VETERANS of FOREIGN WARS**  
 Please stay involved  
**AND WE'LL SEE YOU SOON !**



Questions? Please call (913) 735-3125 3535-3127