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VFW POST 846 NEWSLETTER

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COMMANDER'S COLUMN

Principles Above Personalities

MARTIN FRIES, Commander

Comrades of Post 846,

We hope everyone had a great start to 2023. In January we had a couple big successes. We hosted the District 2 Meeting at our post, first in the new location. We had a successful Steak Night on Friday Jan 20. Our Chef Comrade Larry Fries did an excellent job cooking the steaks. We had 22 people attend. Yeah!

Our next dinner will be on Friday 17 FEB from 5 to 8 but this will be our First Chili Cook off at this location, so bring your best chili and the people present will vote on the best Chili. The winner receives a \$50 Walmart Gift Card.

Our next meeting is on 09 FEB, dinner at 6PM followed by meeting at 7pm.

Remember, Saturday 11 FEB we have our monthly breakfast starting at 9:00 to 11:00. We will learn about the Combat Support Hospital in Bagram, Afghanistan in 2004-05.

Don't forget about Friday Nights the post is open from 4 to 8 with dinner is provided for those who attend. If you can help support working on Friday Nights, it is needed since this is your post and we need your support to keep it open for member to relax and hang out with each other.

Martin Fries, Post Commander

FROM YOUR AUXILIARY

DANA PFLUMM, President

Greetings Brothers and Sisters,

The Auxiliary District 2 Coffee Tour will be on Sat., Feb. 11 in Ottawa VFW, starting at 10:00. We'll get an updates on information on how to better serve our Veterans and our communities. Plus, it's a lot of fun. If you need a ride, just let me know, 913-391-0353.

Our next meeting will be Feb. 9 at 5 p.m. and stay for the dinner from 6 to 7. Come early at 4 p.m. so we can make Valentines for our Vets at the Leavenworth VA Hospital. Come join us. We always have a good time doing these projects.

We were sorry to learn of the passing of Betty Winters on January 31. She was a long-time Auxiliary member and devoted volunteer. Service details are in the Chaplain's column.

May God Bless Everyone.

Dana Pflumm, Pres.

CHAPLAIN'S CORNER... LANE SMITH

Betty Winters, a long-time active Auxiliary member passed away on Jan. 31. Services will be on Saturday, Feb. 18 at the Countryside Christian Church at 6101 Nall. Visitation at 9:30 and Celebration of Life at 11. Condolences can be sent to her daughter, Shiela Ogden @ 8904 W. 98th Terr, OP 66212.

Deployment Ready: "For our battle is not against the Russians, CCP, other military or political power or flesh & blood, but against the rulers, authorities, the world powers of darkness and the spiritual forces of evil in the heavens".

V.A. HOSPITAL REPORT... Christine Anderson, Chairman

With the cold snap we are experiencing, there is a greater need for coats and gloves for the Vets who use Annie's Closet and other needy Vets. So, as you clean out your closets, keep our Vets in mind and bring your donations to the post. Someone who you don't know will be warm because of your generous gift.

Chris Anderson. 913 940 1003

VFW BREAKFAST

When: Saturday, February 11th 2023, 9-11 a.m.

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

Cost: Donations accepted

Peggy Sullivan and Priscilla Turrel will be sharing their stories as Army Nurses deployed to Iraq. They have some interesting stories to tell!

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

Bring your family and friends and enjoy a fun, great breakfast!

VFW POST 846 MEETING 2nd Thursday February 9 @ 7 pm

An informal dinner at 6pm on meeting night. Feel free to bring a dessert! Meetings are fun and informative.

You're involvement is the key to success!

Post 846 will be open on **MEETING NIGHT** (2nd Thursday) & **EVERY FRIDAY** 4 pm to 8 pm.

Join your fellow VFW members in the 846 Memorial Lounge on Fridays for Cards, Games, Snacks, & Camaraderie!

* Hosts needed for 4 to 6 and 6 to 8 shifts.

* Sign-up on Post meeting nights.



VFW Post 846
Chili Cook Off
Feb. 17, 2023

6-7 pm

the post is open 4-8pm so come early and stay a while!

Anyone is welcome to bring their special chili - about 1-2 quarts - so that all that attend can sample. It doesn't matter if you enter a chili or not, we would love for you to come and taste what others are making too!

Bring Your Best! Sample some Chili! Vote for the Best!

Winner receives a \$50 Walmart Gift Card !!

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SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
			1	2	3 10:00 Veteran's Breakfast – [Village Inn 5800 Broadmoor Mission KS 66202] 4-8 pm POST OPEN	4
5	6 6:30 pm PTSD Class [9550 Pflumm Rd, Lenexa KS 66215]	7	8	9 4 p Auxiliary Activity 5 p Auxiliary Meeting 6 p Commander Dinner 7p Post 846 meeting	10 10:00 Veteran' Breakfast – Village Inn 4-8 pm POST OPEN	11 9:00 am VFW Breakfast Peggy & Priscilla present Bagram Hosp 10:00 am AUX District 2 Coffee @ Ottawa
12  Super Bowl	13 Sun – Feb 12 Lincoln's Birthday	14 6:30 pm PTSD Class [9550 Pflumm Rd, Lenexa KS 66215]	15	16	17 10:00 Veteran' Breakfast – Village Inn 4-8 pm POST OPEN 6-7 pm ** Chili Cookoff **	18
19	20  HAPPY President's Day	21 6:30 pm PTSD Class [9550 Pflumm Rd, Lenexa KS 66215]	22	23	24 10:00 Veteran' Breakfast – Village Inn 4-8 pm POST OPEN	25
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Information related to recent events or notice of future activities can be found at the following Facebook sites:

<https://www.facebook.com/VFW846>

<https://www.facebook.com/vfwauxiliarypost846>

Please feel free to send photos of activities and articles for the Santa Fe VFW Post 846 Newsletter to the Post , your officers or to me directly.

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**HERE IS YOUR OPPORTUNITY TO JOIN US AT VFW POST 846...
APPLICATION — For questions about eligibility, contact svcmldr@vfwpost846ks.org**

VFW MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION vfw 01/14

NAME: FIRST _____ MIDDLE _____ LAST _____ FMAFI _____ DATE OF BIRTH _____

ADDRESS _____ HOME OF RECORD _____ PHONE _____ GENDER: (M) (F) _____

ZIP _____ STATE _____ CITY _____ COUNTEY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____ SSN (optional) _____

BRANCH OF SERVICE: ARMY NAVY AIR FORCE MARINES COAST GUARD

DATES OF SERVICE: _____

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.

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 PW

RECRUITER (please print) _____

QUARTERMASTER: _____

RECEIVED BY: _____

CASH CHECK VISA MASTERCARD DISCOVER AMEX

NATIONAL COPY AMEX DISCOVER VISA MASTERCARD

AMOUNT: \$ _____

Exp. Date: _____ / _____

SIGNATURE: _____

Received from _____

Post No. _____

City and State _____

Date: _____

Membership Application - Veterans of Foreign Wars of the U.S.

TEMPORARY RECEIPT

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 will 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: _____

\$1.95 of your membership dues goes towards your VFW magazine subscription.

**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 or 866-3127

Here is your opportunity to participate in POST 846 as a member of the Auxiliary.

If you have questions about the Application or your Eligibility contact the Post.

VFW AUXILIARY MEMBERSHIP / MEMBER TRANSFER APPLICATION

Recruited/Recommended by: _____ Recruiter Member ID _____
 Auxiliary No. _____ City _____ State _____ Member ID (If already a member) _____
 Annual Membership Life Membership
 Rejoin Membership Rejoined Previous Member ID No. _____ Previous Auxiliary _____
 Member at Large in Department of _____ Member at Large - VFW Auxiliary National Headquarters

THESE FIELDS REQUIRED

Name _____ Date of Birth _____
 Address _____ Male Female
 City _____ State _____ ZIP _____
 Phone _____ Email _____

POST-AFFILIATED (*Must be a member to the VFW Post affiliated with the Auxiliary to which you are applying.)
 Relationship _____ to Eligible Veteran* _____ VFW Membership ID _____
 LIFE MEMBER TRANSFER Previous Auxiliary _____
 ANNUAL TRANSFER Previous Auxiliary _____ Paying Nonpaying
 ANNUAL TRANSFER CONVERTING TO LIFE (Fill out Life Membership information below.) Previous Auxiliary _____

THESE FIELDS REQUIRED

NON-AFFILIATED (*Veteran is not a member of the VFW Post affiliated with the Auxiliary to which you are applying.)
 Relationship _____ to Eligible Veteran* _____ VFW Post (If applicable) _____
 Name of campaign ribbons or medals: _____
 Dates of Service: _____ to _____ Location: _____

Investigating Committee Signatures

1 _____ 2 _____ 3 _____
 Per Section 102 of the National Bylaws. Rejected Accepted Meeting Date _____ Obligated Date _____

LIFE MEMBERSHIP ONLY Check here if this is a gift.
 Credit cards may **NOT** be used for initial payment of Annual Dues.
 Cash Check Visa MasterCard Discover AMEX
 Life Membership Fee _____
 Name on credit card _____
 Billing address for card _____
 City _____ State _____ ZIP _____
 Credit Card No. _____
 CVV Code _____ Exp. Date _____
 Signature _____ Date _____

LIFE MEMBERSHIP ONLY
 ACH (Bank withdrawal)
 Name of Bank _____
 Bank Routing No. _____
 Account No. _____
 Attach voided check HERE.
 (Required)

LIFE MEMBERSHIP FEES

Life Membership fees are not refundable.
 Attained age by 12/31 of year applying for Life Membership.

Through 20	\$253
21-25	\$242
26-30	\$230
31-35	\$219
36-40	\$213
41-45	\$201
46-50	\$196
51-55	\$184
56-60	\$173
61-65	\$161
66-70	\$150
71-75	\$132
76-80	\$109
81-85	\$86
86-90	\$69
91 and over	\$58

OBLIGATION In the presence of Almighty God and the members of this organization here assembled, I do of my own free will and accord, solemnly promise that I will never wrong or defraud this organization nor a member thereof nor permit either to be wronged if in my power to prevent it. I will never propose for membership any person not eligible, according to our Bylaws. I further state that I believe in God. I will be faithful to the United States of America, obedient to the laws and loyal to the Flag. Should my membership with this organization cease in any way, I will consider this obligation as binding outside of the organization as though I had remained a member. I do so promise.
 I attest that I am at least 16 years of age. I further state that I believe in God. I pledge to comply with the National Bylaws of the Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States Auxiliary. I attest I am not eligible for membership in the VFW. I further attest that the above is true and correct to the best of my knowledge, including my stated relationship to the Veteran.

Signature _____ (Must be signed by all members.) Date _____