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# SANTA FE EXPRESS

VFW POST 846 NEWSLETTER

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## COMMANDER's COLUMN    *Principles Above Personalities*

MARTIN FRIES, Commander

Comrades of Post 846,

**We will have our Post-elections this month. Our next meeting is on 13 APR, dinner at 6PM followed by meeting at 7pm.** Please consider how you might serve the Post.

**Due to other meetings on Saturday 15 APR we will NOT have our normal monthly breakfast this month.**

**Since the weather is getting better, we went back to our Steak Night.** Just think, where can you get a great steak cooked to order with all the sides and desserts for \$15.00. The next steak night will be 21 APR from 6PM to 8PM. Our Chef Comrade Larry Fries will be ready to take how you want your steaks cooked.

Don't forget about Friday Nights the post is open from 4 to 8 dinner is provided for people who show up. *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 members to relax and hang out with each other.*

*Martin Fries, Post Commander*

## FROM YOUR AUXILIARY

DANA PFLUMM, President

Greetings Brothers and Sisters,

Welcome to Spring! After a long hard winter, we can look forward to warmer weather, longer days and flowers. Yeah!

**Our next meeting will be on Thursday, Apr. 13 at 5:00.** We will be holding elections that day so please plan to attend.

Better yet, why don't you run for an office? We need your input and new ideas. Please consider stepping up to an elected position. There will be plenty of help available to you if you will just say yes. The Auxiliary depends on people to be willing to help in whatever way they can and changing officers each year is a good way to get new ideas and ways of doing things. As long as the job gets done, it is not so important that it be done exactly the way it has always been done.

Our **District Spring Convention will be held on Sat., April 22, in Lenexa at 10:00.** Please plan to attend. Awards will be given and District elections will be held. Be involved whenever you can. Please read the newsletter to get updates on all activities at our Post.

Join us for Steak night [Sign-up by meeting night] on Friday April 21. The Saturday Breakfast has been cancelled, this month but please attend in the future. Great speakers, Great Breakfast, Great Camaraderie,

We are entering our tornado season. Remember to keep yourself informed if there is a possibility of bad weather. Make sure your cell phone is charged and you have plenty of water and comfort food in your safe place. TAKE COVER! When alarms sound!!

I hope everyone has a holy and blessed Easter day. May God Bless You and Yours. President Dana.

## CHAPLAIN'S CORNER... LANE SMITH

We don't know of illnesses or hospitalizations, however, please let us know if you know of someone in need of support.

*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".*

*Infantryman's Creed: I carry America's faith and honor against her enemies.*

*I am the King of Battle. I am what my country expects me to be.*

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

With Spring here, we continue to have clothing needs 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 have their needs met because of your generous gift.

Chris Anderson. 913 940 1003

## VFW Post 846 Auxiliary Announcement

### Message from the Department:

The District Spring Convention will be **Saturday, April 22 at 10:00 am at Lenexa**. I would love to see each auxiliary represented at this meeting. We will present program awards and elect officers for 2023-2024.

Please consider stepping up to an elected position. There will be plenty of help available to you if you will just say yes. The Auxiliary depends on people to be willing to help in whatever way they can and changing officers each year is a good way to get new ideas and ways of doing things. As long as the job gets done, it is not so important that it be done exactly the way it has always been done.

Questions? Please contact President Sheryl

**VFW POST 846  
MEETING  
2nd Thursday  
April 13 @ 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!***

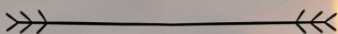
**Post 846 will be open  
on MEETING NIGHT  
(2nd Thursday)  
&  
EVERY FRIDAY  
4 pm to 8 pm.**

***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.***

Third Friday of Each Month 6 pm to 7 pm



**April 21, 2023**

*Only*  
**\$15**

**STEAK  
NIGHT**

SERVED WITH VEGETABLE/ SALAD/ DESSERT AND DRINK



Reservations required. Call 913-735-3127 or email [vfwpost846opks@gmail.com](mailto:vfwpost846opks@gmail.com) to reserve your spot!

***Join your fellow Post and Auxiliary members for a night of  
Great Eats and Great Camaraderie!***



**VFW 846****APRIL 2023**[vfwpost846opks@gmail.com](mailto:vfwpost846opks@gmail.com)

SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
					10:00 Veteran's Breakfast – [Village Inn 5800 Broadmoor Mission KS 66202] <b>4-8 pm POST OPEN</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>	10:00 Veteran's Breakfast – Village Inn 5800 Broadmoor Mission KS 66202 <b>4-8 pm POST OPEN</b>	<b>8</b>
<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b>	10:00 Veteran's Breakfast – Village Inn <b>4-8 pm POST OPEN</b>	<b>15</b>
		6:30 pm PTSD Class [9550 Pflumm Rd, Lenexa KS 66215]		<b>5 p Auxiliary Meeting</b> <b>6 p Comdr Dinner</b> <b>7p Post 846 meeting</b>		
<b>16</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b>	10:00 Veteran's Breakfast – Village Inn <b>STEAK NIGHT</b> <b>6 to 7 pm</b> [RSVP by 4/13] <b>4-8 pm POST OPEN</b>	<b>22</b>
		6:30 pm PTSD Class [9550 Pflumm Rd, Lenexa KS 66215]				<b>Auxiliary District Spring Convention</b> 10 am @ Lenexa
<b>23/30</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b>	10:00 Veteran's Breakfast – Village Inn <b>4-8 pm POST OPEN</b>	<b>29</b>

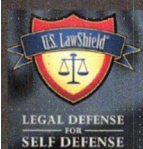
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<https://www.facebook.com/VFW846><https://www.facebook.com/vfwauxiliarypost846>Post 846 e-mail address: [vfwpost846opks@gmail.com](mailto:vfwpost846opks@gmail.com)Editor: Jonathan Hyde [jquincyh@aol.com](mailto:jquincyh@aol.com) 913.530.0675**This program is presented by Michael Howell, who was our March Breakfast Speaker.**

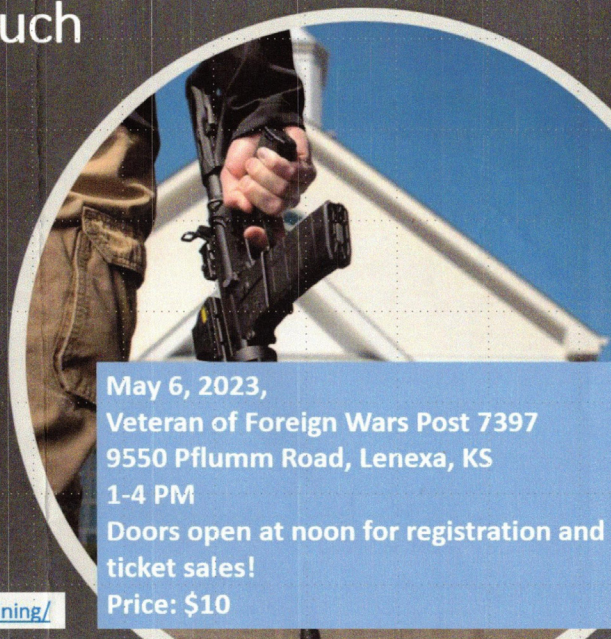
## Are You Prepared for Such an Attack?

**LEARN THE CRITICAL SKILLS you must understand in surviving an Active Killer Attack:**

- Run/Hide/Fight! Learn these critical skills and other life saving actions.
- What is Situational Awareness?
- Learn and understand what the Pathway to Violence is and the impact it has on your understanding of Active Killers.
- Your survival depends on YOUR understanding and application of these critical lessons learned!

Hosted by  
Michael Howell, OffDutySurvival.com

Reserve your seat today at

Sign up at: <https://offdutysurvival.com/training/>

**May 6, 2023,**  
**Veteran of Foreign Wars Post 7397**  
**9550 Pflumm Road, Lenexa, KS**  
**1-4 PM**  
**Doors open at noon for registration and ticket sales!**  
**Price: \$10**



**HERE IS YOUR OPPORTUNITY TO JOIN US AT VFW POST 846...**  
**APPLICATION — For questions about eligibility, contact [svcmldr@vfwpost846ks.org](mailto: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 \_\_\_\_\_ COUNTRY \_\_\_\_\_ 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 PAY

**RECRUITER (please print)** \_\_\_\_\_

**QUARTERMASTER:** \_\_\_\_\_

**MEMBERSHIP TYPE (choose one)**

☐ NEW Post No. \_\_\_\_\_ ☐ FORMER MEMBER ID No. \_\_\_\_\_

☐ TRANSFER From Post No. \_\_\_\_\_ to Post No. \_\_\_\_\_

**RECRUITER (please print)** \_\_\_\_\_

**QUARTERMASTER:** \_\_\_\_\_

**MEMBERSHIP TYPE (choose one)**

☐ NATIONAL COPY ☐ AMEX ☐ DISCOVER ☐ VISA ☐ MASTERCARD

**AMOUNT: \$** \_\_\_\_\_ **Exp Date** \_\_\_\_\_

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

**TEMPORARY RECEIPT**

Received from \_\_\_\_\_ Post No. \_\_\_\_\_ City and State \_\_\_\_\_

Received By: \_\_\_\_\_ (circle one) CASH CHECK VISA MASTERCARD DISCOVER AMEX

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

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 0636-3127**



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 X \_\_\_\_\_ 2 X \_\_\_\_\_ 3 X \_\_\_\_\_  
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 X \_\_\_\_\_ 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 X \_\_\_\_\_ (Must be signed by all members.) Date \_\_\_\_\_