

## **Kings County Freedom Memorial Ceremony**

On Sunday, 25 April, the Kings County Military and Veterans Coalition will conduct a “Fallen Heroes” ceremony at 2:00 PM. The ceremony will take place at the Freedom Memorial in the Kings County Government Center located at 1400 West Lacey Blvd. in Hanford. The memorial is dedicated to those veterans from Kings County, and Naval Air Station Lemoore that were killed while serving on active duty. The memorial honors those veterans and the ultimate price they paid for our freedom and way of life. The memorial covers from World War I on and currently has more than 750 names. This year there will be 11 names added.

On Saturday, 24 April, there will be a benefit concert entitled “Heroes” at the historic Fox Theater in Hanford. Doors for the show will open at 6:00 PM. Tickets are on sale at the Fox for \$10.00. The concert will raise funds to pay for the cost of maintaining the memorial. This year there will be a special recognition of disabled veterans. A limited number of free tickets are available to disabled veterans and their families through the Kings, Tulare and Fresno County Veterans Service Offices. Please join the coalition and the veterans of Kings County in honoring our “Fallen Heroes”. For more information please contact Joe Wright as noted below.

Contact Joe Wright if you would like to receive veteran’s information by email. There are many state and federal benefits and programs available to veterans and their dependents. To find out if you are eligible for any of these benefits, visit or call our office. We can and will assist you in completing all required application forms. You can also get information on the Web from the Kings County Veterans Service Office Web site at [www.countyofkings.com](http://www.countyofkings.com).

*Joe Wright, retired Navy Master Chief Petty Officer, is the Veterans Service Officer for Kings County. Send your questions to the Veterans Service Office, 1400 W. Lacey Blvd, Hanford, CA 93230; call 582-3211, ext. 2659; or e-mail [joe.wright@co.kings.ca.us](mailto:joe.wright@co.kings.ca.us).*