

A Legacy of Honor



# COST OF FREEDOM

## CALENDAR

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# Every Day is a Gift



Your talent is  
God's gift to  
you. What you  
do with it is  
your gift back  
to God.

Leo Buscaglia

# JANUARY 2018

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
	New Year's Day Abraham Lincoln issued the Emancipation Proclamation – 18631	2	3	4	5	6
First American Presidential Election – 17897	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	Martin Luther King, Jr Day15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30	31	Don't raise your kids to have more than you had, raise them to be more than you were.		



# I Won't Give Up



A wounded veteran is not a broken veteran, they're just somebody that needs to find their new path, how they're going to keep fighting and keep contributing to their country. Each veteran is their own person. You just have to get to know them, and listen to their story.

Rob Jones (after completing 31 marathons in 31 consecutive days)

# FEBRUARY 2018

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
<p>Our goal was to get Rob (Jones) to ride a bike again. When he did that and held his bike over his head, I thought that was the end of it. But a year later he pedals across the country. – <b>Zach Harvey, Prosthetist</b> (after Rob Jones biked 5,180 miles across the USA)</p>				National Freedom Day 1	2	3
4	5	Ronald Reagan's Birthday 6	7	8	9	10
11	Abraham Lincoln's Birthday 12	13	Valentine's Day Ash Wednesday 14	15	16	17
18	Presidents' Day 19	20	21	George Washington's Birthday 22	23	24
25	26	27	28	<p>Life is 10% what happens to you and 90% how you react to it. – Charles Swindoll</p>		



# Semper Fidelis – Always Faithful



Friends are the siblings God never gave us.

Mencius

# MARCH 2018

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
<p>We few, we happy few, we band of brothers            For he who sheds his blood for me today shall be my brother.            – Shakespeare's <i>Henry VIII</i></p>				1	2	3
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	St. Patrick's Day 17
18	Op Iraqi Freedom begins - 2003 19	20	21	22	23	24
Medal of Honor Day 25	26	27	28	29	Good Friday Passover begins 30	31



# Duty, Honor, Country



Leadership to me means duty, honor, country. It means character, and it means listening from time to time.

George W. Bush



# APRIL 2018

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
Easter 1	2	3	4	5	6	Passover ends 7
8	9	10	11	12	Thomas Jefferson's Birthday 13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
End of Vietnam War - 1975 29	30	<p>As young West Point cadets, our motto was 'duty, honor, country.' But it was in the field, from the rice paddies of Southeast Asia to the sands of the Middle East, that I learned that motto's fullest meaning. There I saw gallant young Americans of every race, creed and background fight, and sometimes die, for 'duty, honor, and their country. – Gen. Normal Schwarzkopf</p>				

# We Must Never Forget



And they who for their country died shall fill an honored grave,  
for glory lights the soldier's tomb, and beauty weeps the brave.

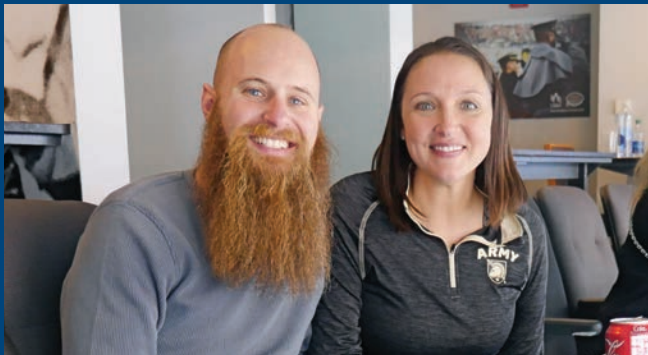
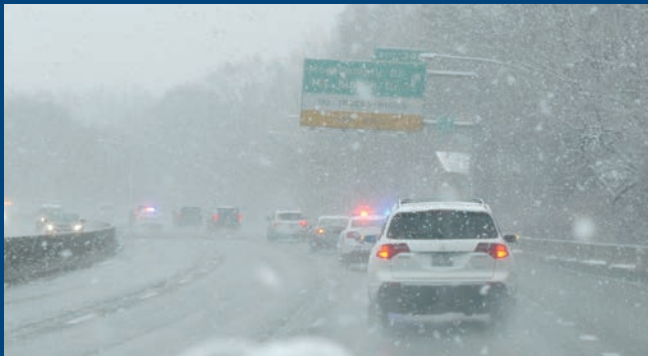
Joseph Drake

# MAY 2018

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
It's a joy for me to see my grandsons attend the Cost of Freedom weekend and be a part of it, and know the true meaning of what the Cost of Freedom is. – Marianna Winchester		Silver Star Service Banner Day 1	2	Cost of Freedom incorporated – 2011 3	4	5
6	7	V-E Day 8	9	10	11	12
Mothers Day 13	14	15	16	17	18	Armed Forces Day 19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	Memorial Day 28	29	30	31	A nation reveals itself not only by the men it produces but also by the men it honors, the men it remembers. – John F. Kennedy	



# Leave No Man Behind



There is no exercise better for the heart than  
reaching down and lifting people up.

John Holmes

# JUNE 2018

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
Brotherhood means... I will always come for you no matter the cost.					1	2
3	4	5	"D-Day" Normandy – 1944	Class of 1972 graduate from US Naval Academy	8	9
10	11	12	13	Flag Day US Army Birthday – 1776	15	16
Fathers Day	18	19	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	PTSD Awareness Day	28	29	30

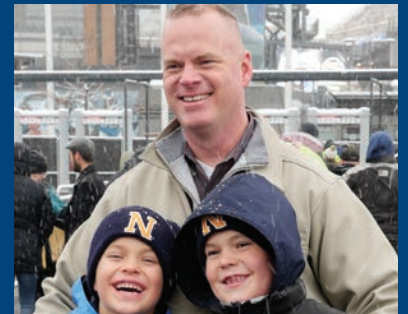


# Proud to be an American



And I'm proud to be an American, where at least I know I'm free. And I won't forget the men who died, who gave that right to me.

Country singer Lee Greenwood





# JULY 2018

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
1	2	3	Independence Day 4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	31	If you want to thank a soldier, be the kind of American worth fighting for.			

# Take the Hill – Breathe Fire



Bravery doesn't mean you aren't scared.  
It means you go anyway.

# AUGUST 2018

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
<p>Regard your soldiers as your children, and they will follow you into the deepest valleys. Look on them as your own beloved sons, and they will stand by you even unto death!</p> <p>– Sun Tzu</p>			1	2	3	<p>US Coast Guard Birthday – 1790</p> <p>4</p>
5	6	7	8	9	10	<p>Cost of Freedom granted tax-exempt status – 2011</p> <p>11</p>
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30	31	<p>Tough times never last but tough people do.</p> <p>– Dr. Robert Schuler</p>



# A Tradition of Honor



My great-grandfather was Henry C. Mustin, my father was Henry C. Mustin, that little towhead over there is Henry the fifth. So I think that qualifies my Henry to be either a Shakespearean actor or the conqueror of the French. There may be some naval aviator in there somewhere but that remains to be seen.

Adm. Henry C. Mustin

# SEPTEMBER 2018

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
Do what is right, even when no one is looking. – Lt. Debbie Tompkins, US Army						1
V-J Day 2	Labor Day 3	4	5	6	7	8
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
16	Constitution Day/ Citizenship Day 17	US Air Force Birthday – 1947 18	19	20	POW/MIA Recognition Day 21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
Gold Star Mothers Day 30	Honor to the soldier and sailor everywhere, who bravely bears his country's cause. Honor, also, to the citizen who cares for his brother in the field and serves, as he best can, the same cause. – Abraham Lincoln					



# If Not Me, Then Who?



Travis Manion Foundation – Carrying the legacies of character left by our fallen heroes

When 1st Lt. Travis Manion was asked why he had to repeatedly risk his life in faraway lands, his response was simple, but direct: "If not me, then who..."

Bob Bender from Travis Manion Foundation (second from left) accepting a check from the Cost of Freedom





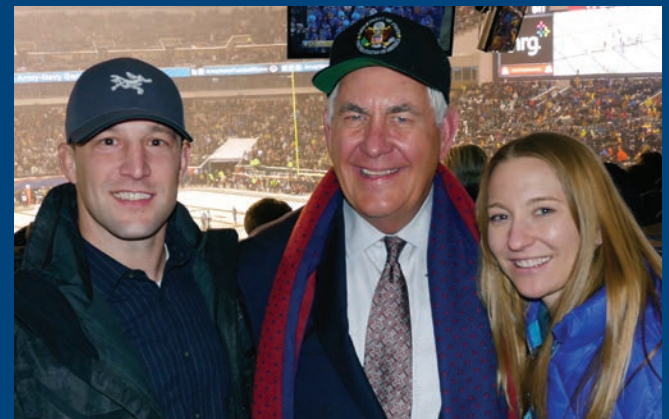
# OCTOBER 2018

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
	1	2	3	4	5	6
Operation Enduring Freedom begins – 2001 7	Columbus Day 8	9	10	11	12	US Navy Birthday – 1775 13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30	31	We cannot teach people anything; we can only help them discover it within themselves. – Galileo Galilei		

# Freedom is Not Free



Our flag does not fly because  
the wind moves it... it flies with the  
last breath of each soldier  
who died protecting it.



# NOVEMBER 2018

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
<p>On this Veterans Day, let us remember the service of our veterans, and let us renew our national promise to fulfill our sacred obligations to our veterans and their families who have sacrificed so much so that we can live free. – Dan Lipinski</p>				1	2	3
4	5	Election Day 6	7	8	9	Marine Corps Birthday – 1775 10
Veterans' Day 11	12	13	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21	Thanksgiving 22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	



# Class of 1972 – Cold War Warriors

Courage is an act of grace when it is not required; it originates from an inner necessity to honor, love, and cherish people, and respect oneself.

Gary Coyle  
USNA '72



27th Company 1968

Tombstones etch in stone the dates of birth and death but it is the dash in between that really matters! A life worth lived is filled with honor and its legacy endures forever.

Robert Madden USNA '72



# DECEMBER 2018

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
<p>We remember those who were called upon to give all a person can give, and we remember those who were prepared to make that sacrifice if it were demanded of them in the line of duty, though it never was. Most of all, we remember the devotion and gallantry with which all of them ennobled their nation as they became champions of a noble cause. – Ronald Reagan</p>						1
Hanukkah begins 2	3	4	5	6	Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day Cost of Freedom Weekend 7	Army-Navy Game 8
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
23	24	Christmas Day 25	26	27	28	29
30	New Year's Eve 31	<p>The pursuit of true Honor requires sacrifice: to focus more upon elevating others than oneself. – Hugh Blomeke, USNA '72</p>				

# Core Values of the United States Navy and Marine Corps

# Honor, Courage, Commitment



U.S. Naval Academy, Class of 1972, 27th Company

The Cost of Freedom mission is to show appreciation and offer encouragement to our Servicemen and Servicewomen returning from combat. It is our goal to further share the meaning of values such as honor, courage, commitment, respect, sacrifice, and valor to the community and to generations to come so that we might never forget the sacrifices of our Soldiers, Marines, Sailors, and Airmen and always be reminded that freedom is not free.

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