

Maine National Guard



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As we continue to grow, SOS would like to hear from our Families. SOS is constantly looking for positive Survivor feedback on how to develop the SOS program. Please share your ideas, concerns and questions so that we can address the needs of Maine Survivors. We look forward to hearing from you!

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Help us keep you informed on the latest SOS news and information! If you have changed your mailing address or email address, let us know so we can keep your contact information current!

We have facebook!
Join our Page on Facebook
at
Maine Survivor Outreach

Hope everyone is enjoying the short summer season that we have had in Maine this year.

We look forward to seeing you at some the upcoming events.

Check our face book page as well.

SAVE THE DATE

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 6TH, 2011

SURVIVOR OUTREACH SERVICES
WILL HOST OUR
4TH SURVIVOR FAMILY LUNCHEON

MARK YOUR CALENDARS.

AMERICAN LEGION
POST 2, IN AUGUSTA AT 213 CAPITAL ST,
AUGUSTA FROM 1100-2:00.

IT'S POSTED TO OUR FACE BOOK AND WE
WILL BE SENDING OUT A FLYER IN THE
SEPTEMBER/OCTOBER TIMEFRAME AS A
REMINDER.

Never Forgotten, Never Alone....

Spruce Island Ceremony remembers Maine Soldier

Corporal Andrew Hutchins

honored on July 31st, 2011 during a memorial ceremony on Spruce Island in Stonington, Maine. Andrew gave his life for his country in Khost Province, at combat outpost Sabari, Afghanistan on November 8th, 2010. Over 250 friends, family, and Soldiers gathered to honor the memory of Andrew, to include Governor LePage and First Lady Ann LePage.

Colie O'Donnell, founder of Vetlands, a nonprofit organization founded by civilians to express thanks to the men and women who serve in the U.S. Armed Forces, said the idea is to provide a peaceful place where veterans, current military members and families of those who died in combat can rest and heal emotionally. Visit Vetlands.org for more info.



House in the Woods Military and Family Retreat – Lee Maine.

On Friday July 15, 2011 at Paul and Deanna House, House in the Woods Military and Family Retreat, Mrs. Ann LePage, the First Lady of Maine, drew the (7) controlled moose hunt permits that have been allotted to disabled veterans by the Department of Inland Fisheries & Wildlife. The controlled moose hunt is scheduled for 14-23 September, 2011 and will occur on farm land specified by Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife in Aroostook County

Three permits are designated for out of state "wounded warriors" that have become disabled since 2003 from their service in Iraq and Afghanistan. These veterans will be chosen and sponsored by national organizations that support "wounded warriors".

From Left to Right: Kathy Lathrop Crise, Hilary Emery, Betsy Emery, Wendy Moody, Mary O'Mara, and Maine's First Lady Ann LePage



21 August 2011 - Run for the Fallen - remember the fallen troops from the State of Maine who gave the ultimate sacrifice during Operation Iraqi Freedom and Enduring Freedom. The run starts in Ogunquit and ends in Portland, Maine. Visit <http://runforthefallen.org/>



Jonathan Slack, brother of Army Specialist Wade A. Slack, killed in Afghanistan on May 6th 2010, will receive a Run for the Fallen \$1000.00 Scholarship. Jonathan graduated from Waterville Senior High June 9th of 2011. He plans on attending KVCC in the fall and will eventually transfer to University of Maine at Orono to pursue a career in construction and architecture. Jonathan will be awarded the scholarship during the lobster bake after the run.

Grand Opening Stairway to Freedom In memory of Richard K. Parker

When: 27 August 2011

Time: 12:00 PM

Where: Burbank Hill, Strong, ME

Come see the raising of the flag and quiet beauty of our memorial. Show your respect for one family's Fallen Hero, Richard K. Parker who gave his life to defend his country on June 14th, 2007 in Scania Iraq.

Richard loved to fish and read. In honor of Richard, at the bottom of Burbank Hill, where 2 brooks meet, the town built 160 stairs. He also was an avid reader so many park benches, picnic tables and a swing set have been built in his honor as well.

There will be a chicken barbeque with beans, salad, role and drink. Meal cost: \$8.00 for adults, \$5.00 for children.

For more info contact
Dixie Flagg at 639-5518

Hugs of Love - Remember Our Troops"

4th Anniversary - August 30th! Check out the web site at www.hugs-of-love.org. The web site give's the mission statement, photos and write-ups. Hugs of Love mails "We-Care Packages" to deployed Service members...right now two soldiers are in Afghanistan that they are mailing to each month. One Service member just came home safe and sound. See how you can help!!
Check out the website above!

2 October 2011
Maine Marathon Tribute March

Every year members of all services gather to remember the fallen troops from the State of Maine by conducting a 26.2 mile road march in Portland Maine in conjunction with the Maine Marathon during which respect is paid to those who gave the ultimate sacrifice.
We will be putting more information out at a later date.

***The Freeport Flag Ladies are Sponsoring the
10th Anniversary of 9-11 Memorial Events in Freeport, Maine***

Friday: Sep 9, 2011

6 - 7:30 pm Candlelight Vigil: Soldiers Memorial Park, Bow Street, honoring Maine soldiers lost in the War against Terror. MG Libby is the guest speaker. Chaplain LTC Vigue. Event ends with echoing taps.

8 - 9:30 pm Photo documentary presented by a responder to the Twin Tower site with music from the Ladies of Notes and the Freeport High School Chamber Choir. Presentation at the Hilton Garden Hotel.

Saturday: Sep 10, 2011

10 - 4 pm Pictures of the Fallen Soldiers at Thomas Moser lot, corner of Main & West Street
Military Recruiters will have obstacle course and other fun things at the Key Bank lawn.

CONCERTS

11:00 am Maine Army National Guard Band at LL Bean's Discovery Park

12:00 pm Brian Wardwell at Azure Café

1:00 pm Skillet Lickers at Bow Street Market

2:00 pm Sunny Perry & the Nashville North Band At L.L. Bean's Discovery Park

3:00 pm Hattie Simon at Lobster Cooker

4:00 pm Sean Mencher Rhythm Kings at Freeport Village Station

5:00 pm The Ketch Fish Band at LL Bean's Discovery Park

7:00 pm Concert at the Freeport High School athletic field. Followed by a

*** Patriotic Laser Light Show ***

MC, Ray Richardson

Maine Army National Guard Band
Brian Wardwell

The Boy Singers of Maine
Greater Freeport Community Choir

Sunday: Sep 11, 2011

7:30 - 9:30 am The Freeport Flag Ladies Annual 9-11 Tribute

7:30 - 3:00 pm Pictures of the Fallen Soldiers at Key Bank on Main St

1:30 - 2:30 pm Parade of police and fire color guards and vehicles from Freeport and nearby communities on Main Street

3:00 - 4:00 pm Dedication of the 9-11 Monument conducted by the Master Mason from Maine.
This monument is constructed from steel obtained from the Twin Towers.

4:00 - 6:00 pm 9-11 Tribute Concert performed by the Biddeford Alumni and Italian Heritage Center Band at the Freeport Performing Art Center.



“Embracing and reassuring Survivors that they are continually linked to the Army Family through a unified support program that enables them

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