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**Delivering the Army's
Commitment to Survivors**

Survivor Outreach Services
provides support services for
Active, Reserve and
Army National Guard Families.



**ARMY FAMILY COVENANT:
Keeping the Promise**

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Happy 4th of July!



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Independence Day Quiz

1. What was the main reason the U.S. declared independence?
2. In what city was the Declaration of Independence signed?
3. Who was the king of England when the colonies declared their independence?
4. How many people were living in the U. S. in 1776?
5. What is our national bird?
6. Where is the Liberty Bell located?
7. Does the Liberty Bell still ring today?
8. How did the name "Uncle Sam" originate?
9. Who wrote the words to the National Anthem?
10. Who wrote the Pledge of Allegiance?
11. Who sewed the first official American flag?
12. Why were the stars in a circle on the first flag?
13. How tall is the Statue of Liberty?
14. What country gave us the Statue of Liberty?
15. When did the Fourth of July become a national holiday?
16. Under what circumstances did "The Star Spangled Banner" become the national anthem of the U.S.A?
17. How did the US get the motto "In God We Trust"?

Independence Day Quiz

ANSWERS:

1. The people were taxed without representation.
2. The Declaration of Independence was signed in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania
3. George III was king of England when the colonies declared their independence
4. There were 2.5 million people living in the U. S. in 1776.
5. Our national bird is the bald eagle.
6. The Liberty Bell is located in Philadelphia
7. The Liberty Bell no longer rings
8. "Uncle Sam" originated in 1812, when a meat packer by the name of Sam Wilson provided meat to the U. S. Army. Someone saw meat shipments that were stamped with U. S. and joked that the initials stood for "Uncle Sam" and the name stuck
9. Francis Scott Key
10. Francis Bellamy
11. Betsy Ross
12. to show that all the colonies were equal
13. 151 feet tall
14. France
15. The Fourth of July became an unpaid holiday for federal workers in 1870. In 1938 it became a paid holiday, and in 1941, it was declared a federal holiday.
16. In 1912, President Woodrow Wilson made an Executive Order. Then in 1931, by a Congressional resolution
17. Francis Scott Key urged the adoption of "In God is our Trust" as the national motto. The United States adopted the motto "[In God We Trust](#)" by law on July 30, 1956 by President Dwight Eisenhower.



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We're Back!

Naval Station Great Lakes Two-Day Festival

**July 3rd • 4-11pm
July 4th • 3-10pm**

Free & Open to the Public!

★ One of the Top Three Festivals in the World!
Voted by the International Festivals & Events Association in 2011

**Live Music ★ Food
Carnival ★ Bingo
Games ★ Paintball
Family Entertainment
Firecracker 5K Race
Fireworks-July 3rd & 4th ★ More!**

JOAN JETT & the BLACKHEARTS
July 3rd

www.facebook.com/GreatLakes4thofJuly
Details: 847-688-2110, ext. 484 • **www.mwrgl.com**

THIS 4TH OF JULY CELEBRATION WILL BE GREAT FUN WITH MUSIC AND A SEPTACULAR FIRE WORKS DISPLAY

THE FAMILIES WILL BE PROVIDED WITH SPECIAL PARKING, AN ESCORT TO THE VIP SEATING AREA, AND RECOGNITION OF THE GOLD STAR SACRIFICE.

Formal Registration is closed at this time, but if you still want to register feel free to email [Jim](#) or [Christine](#) your contact information and we would be happy to get you registered for the Celebration.



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Welcome All Veterans



Washers **ARNOLD CITY PARK** **Horse Shoes**
Volleyball **JULY 12, 2014** **Softball**
Moolah Yo-Mo **9AM – 9PM** **Fallen Hero's**
Patrol Cars **3rd ANNUAL** **Dream Ride**
MID-AMERICA VETERAN'S PICNIC

Entertainment provided by Local Bands

Pony Rides & Petting Zoo will be available along with Clowns, Games, Prizes & Face Painting for the kids!

Guest Speaker State Commander of the Missouri VFW

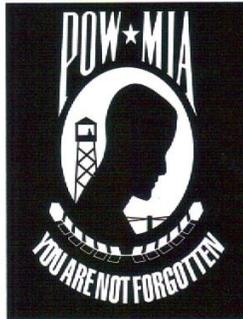
Food & Drink provided by Marine Corps league of Arnold Mo.

Representatives from the Veterans Administration and Veterans Service Organizations will be on hand

POW * MIA Ceremony

Car & Bike Show

Registration 9am to noon
\$10 per car



Veterans Wall of Fame

Military Vehicles on display by M.V.P.A

Attendance Prizes!!



Parking Available

For More Information Contact Ed Rousan
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Sunday August 3, 2014 • 11:00 AM - 4:00 PM

Sign-in begins at 10:30 AM

BraveHearts Therapeutic Riding & Educational Center • 7319 Maxon Rd. Harvard, IL

BraveHearts in partnership with Survivor Outreach Services, and Illinois Connection for Families of the Fallen, and Gold Star Fathers presents...

Horse Riding & BBQ for Survivors

Join us on August 3rd at BraveHearts where families of fallen Service Members will be provided a safe and peaceful environment to connect with other families, and horses!

We will be offering a variety of programming including:

- Therapeutic riding
- Team building experiences
- Foundation horsemanship

All of our equine programming is performed by a PATH International (Professional Association of Therapeutic Horsemanship) Instructor!

Physician sign-off required for all wanting to ride. Registrants will receive forms with their confirmation email, or please contact Shae Ward at rward@hdadvocates.org or 312.265.9096 if you have any questions.

Free Admission! All ages welcome!

Lunch will be provided!



Register online at: <http://tinyurl.com/kkxer6r>

Registration is required and due by July 15, 2014!



Find us on Facebook: www.facebook.com/BraveHeartsRiding • www.facebook.com/ilcfff
& online: www.goldstarfathers.com • www.sos.army.mil • www.braveheartsriding.org • www.ilcfff.org



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Veterans Day

Sunday, August 10

Veterans and their families are admitted to the grounds for free. A veterans parade and activities are some of the highlights for the day.

Highlights

- **Veterans Day Activities**
- Open Steer, Beef Shows
- Junior Breeding Swine & Sheep Shows
- Draft Horse Show
- Sheep Shearing Contest
- Husband/Hog Calling Contest
- [Florida Georgia Line](#)
- [Florida Georgia Line w/ Colt Ford](#)

Places to stay while visiting Springfield:

<http://www.visitspringfieldillinois.com/Where-To-Stay/>





SOS Financial Counseling Services
“MARK MY WORDS”

Mark Dunlop
Ft. Leonard Wood, MO



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Dine & Dial Conference call:
Wednesday, July 9, 2014 at 7:00pm
CENTRAL
(1-626-677-3000 access code
7681905)

Many of our Survivors have said thank you for mentioning in a past newsletter about the Unclaimed property links. The new found money has ranged from .27 Cents to a few thousand dollars. For those who want to check to see if any such funds are there, here is the Illinois link as well as the country wide link (which is handy for those who lived in other states):

<https://icash.illinois.gov/index.asp> ; www.unclaimed.org



Survivor Outreach Services was created to embrace and reassure Survivors that they are continually linked to the Army Family through a unified support program that enables them to remain an important part of the Army for as long as they desire.

The SOS program continuously strives to provide the highest quality of services to surviving Family members of fallen Warriors. As such, we want to provide you with information on the SOS program in your area. We stand ready to serve you and answer your questions.

Survivor Services Available:

- Provide Expertise on State & Federal Survivor benefits
- Arrange for estate and financial advice
- Connect Survivors with mental health support/counseling
- Provide assistance in obtaining military reports
- Provide Survivors with resource referrals for:
 - Peer Support
 - Bereavement Counseling
 - Emergency Financial Services
 - Military Legal Assistance
 - TRICARE
 - Educational Benefits
 - Benefits Assistance

Check us out online at:

<http://www.il.ngb.army.mil/family/survivoroutreach>

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Helpful Contacts and Resources:



**ILLINOIS CONNECTIONS FOR
FAMILIES OF THE FALLEN (ICFF)**

**Check out the Illinois Connections for Families of the Fallen (ICFF)
“Community Connections” Resource Guide!**

[http://d3n8a8pro7vhmx.cloudfront.net/ilcff/pages/17/attachments/original/1397143619/
ICFF_Community_Resource_Guide_2014_IN14013_FINAL2.pdf?1397143619](http://d3n8a8pro7vhmx.cloudfront.net/ilcff/pages/17/attachments/original/1397143619/ICFF_Community_Resource_Guide_2014_IN14013_FINAL2.pdf?1397143619)



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**SURVIVOR
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Helping Survivors cope with their loss for as long as they desire.

Visit your local SOS Office.

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