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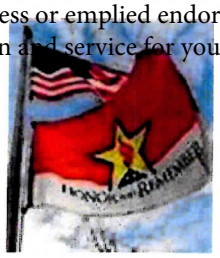

Let Freedom Sing

A fund raising* concert sponsored by the all-volunteer

Honor and Remember Flag NE Chapter **

Armed Forces Day, Saturday May 21, 2016 at 7 PM

Holland Performing Arts Center-Kiewit Hall

Featuring **Billy McGuigan** and **Jimmy Weber**. Their national performance credits are only surpassed by their deep dedication to men and women who have served, been injured and given their lives for our country. Their rich and versatile blend of patriotic, rock & roll and country songs will give tribute to and entertain over 200 Nebraska and Western Iowa Families of the Fallen, veterans, members of our Armed Forces and their families.

The music will touch your heart, spirit and soul

Tickets for the general public go on sale March 12. They are expected to sell quickly because of the reason, venue, performers and price of the concert.

Prices: Orchestra level-$60 Tier1-$50 Tier 2-$40. There are about 570 tickets at each level.

However, you and others you know can order tickets at a 20% discount through April 8

This makes tickets $48, $40 and $32

To order go to https://ticketomaha.com/Productions/let-freedom-sing **Make sure you enter code word GOLD in the Apply Promo tab.** You can also call **402-345-0606.**

*For every dollar raised, 98.5% will be used Chapter to sponsor Honor and Remember flags, host the annual families of the fallen gathering, dinner and walk, and educate and support veterans.

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For additional details contact NE Chapter Director, Jim Meier meier260@cox.net 402.490.9293.

See back for: A. Why this concert matters, B. The Families of the Fallen Walk preceding the concert and, C. Examples of families receiving the Honor and Remember flag

Families of the Fallen Walk

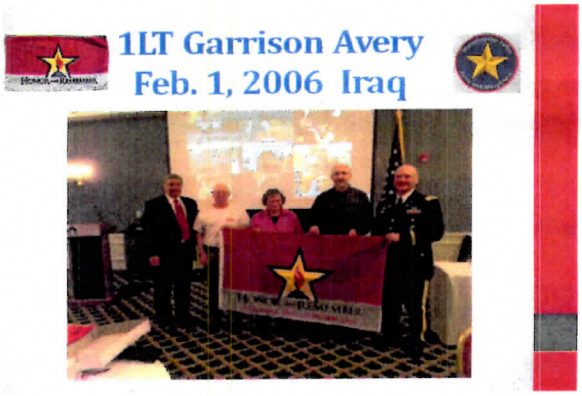
Come 45 minutes early for the sixth annual families of the fallen walk beginning at 6:15 PM. The families will be led by bagpipers and flanked by many American Legion Riders, Boy and Girl Scouts, JROTC cadets, men and women in uniform and proud Americans. The route, beginning outside Bldg. 1 on ConAgra campus, will proceed along the row of U.S. flags to 10th and then Farnam Street, enter Gene Leahy Mall, cross the mall's wood bridge to Douglas Street and end outside the Holland Performing Art Center.

Why does this concert matter?

Since the birth of our country 240 years ago, over 1.3 million of our fellow citizens have died while fighting for and defending our freedoms. On average that is 15 per day. When others say, "The price of freedom *is* high and the families of the fallen have paid much, much more than their share." We agree. Creating this event with so many families of the fallen present, we'll be able to say to them, ***"We're sorry for your loss."*** And we'll be able to enjoy the gift of wonderful music knowing our fallen have preserved our freedom to do so.

As of February 2016, 88 flags have been presented by the NE chapter

War on Terror-62 Vietnam War-17 Korean War-1 WWII-8



Pictured are Gary and Susan Avery, parents of 1st Lt. Garrison Avery.
Presentation was at a Veteran's Day ceremony
Date of death February 1, 2006

Pictured right are Jennifer and Mike Jackman parents of 1st Lt. Ryan Jackman.
Presentation was at Families of the Fallen Dinner
Date of death-March 24, 2007

Once a family requests an Honor and Remember flag, that flag is ordered and paid for with funds raised by The Honor and Remember Flag NE Chapter. Organization or individual sponsor flags, often for a specific family. The flag honors the memory and sacrifice of fallen service members and are presented to families in various venues. Each flag presented is embroidered with the fallen hero's rank, name, date of death and country in which he or she died for our country.

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To learn more about the Honor and Remember Flag visit http://www.honorandremember.org/

Name, title, address

Date

Dear_____:

On behalf of the Nebraska Honor and Remember Flag Chapter, I invite you and a family member to these three May 21-Armed Forces Day- events:

1. **Families of the Fallen** gathering and dinner
2. **Families of the Fallen** walk
3. **Let Freedom Sing** concert

This is the sixth year for the gathering, dinner and walk. With this annual event, we show the families that their loved one is not forgotten. 195 family members from throughout NE and western IA attended last year. It is the 1st year for the concert.

Why does the Chapter sponsor this tribute as veterans and citizens? Since the birth of our country 240 years ago, over 1.3 million of our fellow citizens have died while fighting for and defending our freedoms. On average that is 15 per day. When others say, "The price of freedom *is* high and the families of the fallen have paid much, much more than their share." We agree. Creating this event with so many families of the fallen present, we'll be able to say to them, *"We're sorry for your loss."* And we'll be able to enjoy the gift of wonderful music knowing our fallen have preserved our freedom to do so.

The gathering and dinner are complimentary as are two tickets to the concert.

Details:

Families of the Fallen Gathering and Dinner

Time: 3:00-6:00 PM.
Location: ConAgra Foods Commons Area located in Building 1, 11 ConAgra Drive, Omaha, NE (on the east side of 10th street) between Farnam and Harney streets.
Parking: ConAgra's garage a few yards west of Building 1.

Families of the Fallen Walk

Start time/location: approximately 6:15 from ConAgra Building 1

End time/location: approximately 6:35 outside the Holland Performing Arts Center, 1200 Douglas
Length: 4-5 blocks

Let Freedom Sing concert

Time: 7:00-9:00 PM
Location: Holland Performing Arts Center Kiewit Hall
Dedication: The concert is dedicated to families of the fallen, veterans, members of the military, National Guard and Reservists and their families.

Performers: Local favorites and nationally recognized Rave-On Production performers and patriots, **Billy McGuigan** and **Jimmy Weber** will entertain with a blend of uplifting and wholesome patriotic, rock & roll and country songs.

(Name) I sincerely hope you can attend in support of the families.

To making reservations for the gathering and dinner please contact **Dennis O'Connell** by April 14.
E-mail: dennis_oconnell08@yahoo.com cell: 1-402-981-8313

We know, policy requires you to cover the cost of the dinner which is $12.00

To purchase tickets for the Let Freedom Sing concert ticket prices are:

Orchestra level-$60 Tier1-$50 Tier 2-$40. The 570 tickets at each level are expected to sell fast.

To receive a 20% discount you'll need to use code word: **Freedom**

To order go to https://ticketomaha.com/Productions/let-freedom-sing **Make sure you click on the Apply Promo tab left of the Get Tickets tab.** You can also call **402-345-0606**.

Respectfully yours,

Bruce Husted

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