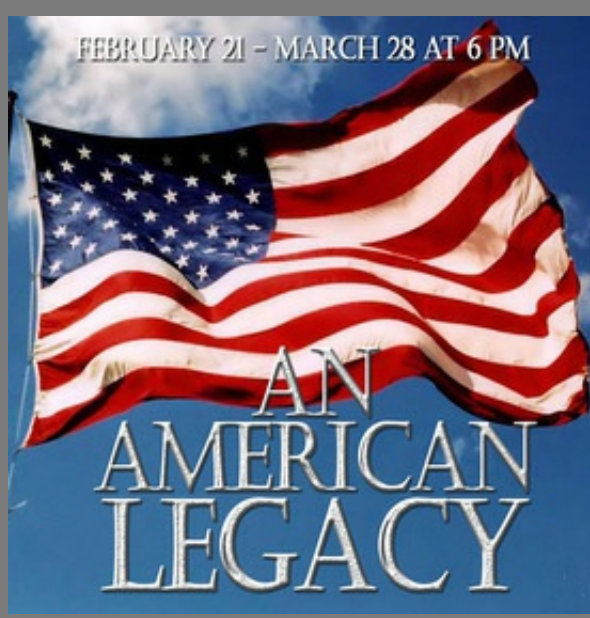




◆ PARTNER SPOTLIGHT

SOUTH FLORIDA MUSEUM FILM FRIDAY SERIES



features films such as M*A*S*H, Rescue Dawn, and Alive Day Memories; Home From Iraq, and highlights the personal sacrifices and patriotic spirit exhibited by our American troops.

In addition to the films in the series, the program will offer visitors the special opportunity to view related materials and artifacts from the Museum's permanent collection, as well as personal items borrowed from the private collections of community members. Screenings are held Fridays at 6 pm at South Florida Museum from February 21 through March 28.

For a full list of the featured movies, click [here](#). To purchase tickets, click [here](#).

BALTIMORE ORIOLES HONOR VETERANS AT HOME OPENER

Join Legacy of Valor partner the Baltimore Orioles on Military Appreciation Day, Saturday, March 1 at 1:05pm. Home opening day of spring training at Ed Smith Stadium will see the Baltimore Orioles playing the Toronto Blue Jays, along with a wonderful ceremony honoring our military and their families leading up to the first pitch!



Other LoV Partners working together with Baltimore Orioles for this great event include [Girl Scouts of Gulfcoast Florida](#), [Sarasota Military Academy](#), [Sarasota County Veterans Commission](#), and [Goodwill Manasota](#).

Please spread the word that Military/Veterans can receive a special discount on tickets for not only the opening game on March 1, but also at four other games - March 3, 9, 17, and 23. To receive the discount a Military ID is required.

◆ WAYS TO CONNECT



Van Wozel Foundation and Performing Arts Hall are excited about [Masters of Illusion](#), their Legacy of Valor celebration show this coming weekend! Sunday, February 16, 200 veterans and their families will attend Masters of Illusion courtesy of [Van Wozel Foundation's Military Access Program](#). To learn more about the program or donate, contact Kelli Bragdon, Director of Education & Community Engagement at 941-955-7676 ext. 2246 or kelli.bragdon@sarasota.gov.

Tickets are still available, please spread the word and come out to support our partners. There will be a Veterans Hospitality Area with several community service providers sharing information with everyone about their programs and how they support veterans and their families in our region.

YOU CAN STILL GET WONDERSTRUCK AT THE BIG TOP!



There's still time to see Circus Sarasota's WONDERSTRUCK show if you haven't already! Here's a [sneak peek](#) at the performances you'll see at the show.

As part of Legacy of Valor, Circus Sarasota is offering Military discounts for their Feb 11-13 and 17-20 performances. A valid Military ID must be provided to receive the \$5 discount off regular ticket price. To purchase Military discounted tickets visit their Box Office or call (941) 355-9805.

◆ MEDIA PARTNERS



The Patterson Foundation and Legacy of Valor are partnering with Clear Channel to give away 30 tickets for veterans and their family members to the March 1 Baltimore Orioles opening day honoring veterans. Stay tuned to WCTQ Feb. 17 through the end of the month for details.

Legacy of Valor partner SNN stopped by Circus Sarasota's WONDERSTRUCK show this past week and featured the clip during their broadcast. In case you missed it, click [here](#).



◆ THE FINAL WORD

KEEP UP THE GREAT WORK GOODWILL MANASOTA!

Goodwill Manasota's American Veterans & Their Families Initiative reports its area impact since the program was launched in January of last year. The program has reached 329 veterans so far through 602 different services, including employment, financial, health and housing assistance.

What a wonderful example of a community organization taking action to honor veterans, embrace freedom and inspire patriotism through the work that they do.

KUDOS & THANK YOU!

To CareerSource Suncoast, Goodwill Manasota and the Baltimore Orioles for another highly successful Veterans and their Families Jobs and Services Fair! We are getting feedback already from veterans who are being hired! Great job!



January 30, 2014 February is Full of Veteran Honoring Events

January 16, 2014 Visible Men Academy Celebrates Black History Month

FreedomPassItOn.org
Created by The Patterson Foundation

◆ UPCOMING EVENTS

Friday, February 14
11:30a-1p
Compassion in Caring Luncheon, featuring JR Martinez

This year's Tidewell Hospice Compassion in Caring Luncheon, located at the Sarasota Ritz-Carlton, features Dancing with the Stars champion, actor, bestselling author and Army veteran, J.R. Martinez, who will share his message of resilience and optimism while focusing on celebrating life and the relationships that make every day special. To learn more or purchase tickets, click [here](#).

This luncheon aligns appropriately with Tidewell's Veterans program, Tidewell Honors — a comprehensive program focused on respectfully celebrating veterans and providing care that recognizes the unique challenges that may exist in military families. To learn more about Tidewell Honors, click [here](#).

Friday, February 21
6p
South Florida Museum's Film Fridays featuring Sergeant York

This [South Florida Museum film series](#), in partnership with Legacy of Valor and Manatee County Veterans' Council, highlights the personal sacrifices and patriotic spirit exhibited by our American troops. Sergeant York, the first film of the series, portrays a man with deep pacifist convictions who must come to terms with these beliefs when sent into combat during World War I.

Reserving [tickets](#) ahead of time is encouraged as space is limited. Tickets are \$3 for museum members and \$5 for non-museum members. For a complete listing of upcoming shows, click [here](#).

◆ UNIFIED LOV PARTNERS

SOUTHEASTERN GUIDE DOGS

As a partner of the Unified Legacy of Valor opportunity in 2013, Southeastern Guide Dogs raised \$75,559 through 367 donations for their Paws for Patriots Program. The Patterson Foundation matched the funds for a grand total of \$151,118 raised.

The Paws for Patriots program pairs guide dogs with visually impaired veterans, trains and places service dogs with veterans living with post-traumatic stress and places therapy dogs in military hospitals and veterans' medical centers.

To learn more about the Paws for Patriots or to donate, click [here](#).

◆ SUBMIT IDEAS

Have an upcoming event honoring veterans, a way for Legacy of Valor Partners to continue to connect, or a special project your organization is proud of that you want to share with the Legacy of Valor partner family through the newsletter? Please share by sending to:

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