
THE PEOPLE'S PATRIOT PROJECT

PATRIOT PRESS

"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



WELCOME

Welcome to The People's Patriot Project's official monthly Newsletter!

Thank you so much for your support and collaboration! We are glad to have you here!

In this Newsletter, you will find information on the who, what, when, where, and why behind The People's Patriot Project.



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We the People...

WE, THE PEOPLE, THE PEOPLE'S PATRIOT PROJECT, have adopted the Mission of Honoring and Empowering those who have served by being the shock and awe when combating the silent and deadly enemy of our veterans and first responders, the enemy that leaves mortal and invisible wounds.

CORE VALUES

- Aid those who sacrificed for us
- Support the families of civil servants
- Heal the traumas of service
- Share the burdens of our community
- Create opportunities for Patriots

OUR VISION

Our Vision is to provide a community and network of support, with the necessary tools, insights, and resources to aid in the rehabilitation of veteran and current service members and civil servants to go through a recovery process and transition into real-world opportunities and situations.

WE want to help provide more fulfilling life memories and experiences by providing resources and facilities that will show an appreciation for the sacrifices and service these members have already provided to our country and community. Adding to their memories and experiences for the main purpose as they have sacrificed their livelihood to promote the life securities and freedoms we all share as Americans.

WE DO WHAT WE DO IN THE NAME OF HONOR FOR THOSE WHO HAVE SERVED; COMBATING THE SILENT, INVISIBLE, AND DEADLY ENEMY OF OUR VETERANS AND FIRST RESPONDERS, THE ENEMY THAT LEAVES MORTAL AND INVISIBLE WOUNDS.



WE GOT YOUR 6 @ 6

Every week at 1800 central time, we share our guests' stories on our live streamed Podcast. We come together to discuss anything from tragedy to triumph, music and laughter, and so much more. There is nothing separating us from the mission we set out to conquer! So tune in every Sunday at 6pm on Facebook and Youtube and be a part of the solution with us!

This month, we have some awesome guest speakers and musicians who want to do just that! Listen in as they offer empowerment and healing in the body and mind through peer support, intervention, mental and holistic wellness, art, music, self discovery, and so much more. There is something for everyone this month of June!

JULY GUEST LINEUP



DATE	EPISODE NUMBER	GUEST
06-July-2025	#260	Josh Moore, August Lows
06-July-2025	#260	Chris Cilento, Ravenworks Studios
13-July-2025	#261	Jake Nelson, Musician
13-July-2025	#261	Kathy Motlagh, Think Virtues
20 July 2025	#262	Ty Warner, Musician
20-July-2025	#262	Joey Mac Dizon, The Mobile Cigar Lounge
27-July-2025	#263	Deanna Wheeler, Musician
27-July-2025	#263	Amanda Csombok, Veterans Helping Veterans-MoCo

DIRECTOR SPOTLIGHT

Meet the faces behind the scenes. Those who work tirelessly to achieve the PPP purpose of addressing, educating, coordinating, providing aid, relief and resources to civil servants injured, misplaced and/or in need of support, due to the service they have provided to their country and communities. Those who seek to educate themselves and others on the issues that face our country.

MARK PETERSEN FOUNDER



Mark was born in Montana and raised in Wyoming. He joined the military right out of high school and served for 14 years. After that, he got his degree in Psychology and Education and worked with troubled teens. He also got married and had two children.

After serving on his local fire department, Mark received the vision to start THE PEOPLE'S PATRIOT PROJECT, a nonprofit organization that helps veterans and their families. He is excited to work on this project and hopes to make a difference in the lives of many people.

ANDREA EICHMANN EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR



Andrea Eichmann was born and raised in Southwestern Minnesota. She is a wife, mother of five, and grandmother. She has over 25 years of experience teaching youth and confirmation age in her church. She is currently a seventh and eighth-grade Language Arts teacher.

Andrea met Mark Petersen and was inspired by his vision to help veterans and first responders. She has become one of the spearheads of the growth and dynamic planning of the People's Patriot Project. She is thrilled to be working with a team of supportive and striving people to make the mission and vision of the project a success.

MATTHEW BIRR
DIRECTOR OF PURPLE HEART
RELATIONS AND OUTREACH



Matt grew up in Fridley, Minnesota, and served in the Army in Afghanistan. He was injured in a gunfight and received a Purple Heart. He is now a director of the People's Patriot Project, where he keeps everyone on their toes. Matt is a funny and inspiring person who loves to make people smile.

LEE WILLIAMS
MEMBER AT LARGE



Lee Williams is a veteran who was born in Brazil, raised in Louisiana, and has lived in Minnesota for almost 30 years. He has a family history of military service, and his grandfather served at Pearl Harbor. Lee served in the Louisiana Army National Guard from 1987 to 2003, and he is now a Right of Way manager for the Minnesota Department of Transportation's Metro Transit Section. He purchases property for light rail and bus rapid transit projects. Lee is married and has three daughters.

ADAM BIRD
CONSULTING DIRECTOR



Adam Bird is the founder and CEO of Heroes Media Group, a digital media branding platform that provides a voice for community heroes and those who support them. Adam earned his bachelor's degree in business management and is an experienced entrepreneur with a passion for creating jobs and reorganizing the way media is consumed. He was born in Wisconsin and developed a love for the outdoors at a young age. After high school, he enlisted in the Army National Guard and served until 2007. He is now a single father and is committed to using his platform to help others.

DERRICK IOZZIO
COMMUNICATIONS DIRECTOR



Derrick is an Army veteran and former first responder. Originally from New Jersey, Derrick enlisted out of high school and served in the Army for nine years. After being honorably discharged as a Staff Sergeant (E-6), Derrick went into civilian law enforcement and served for seventeen years. The experiences from the military and law enforcement were the foundation that led Derrick to pursue a degree in psychology and become a state-certified mental health peer specialist. Derrick continues to serve by addressing mental health issues, the suicide crisis, and homelessness. He facilitates mental health peer support groups, both in person and online. Every one of us can do something. No degree is needed, and no special training is required. We just have to be willing to take the time to listen, to care, and to offer support. Join me and WeP3 to make a difference.

There is HOPE! There is HELP! Patriot Pride!

HONORING THE FORGOTTEN: INDIGENOUS VETERANS AND THEIR UNSEEN SACRIFICES

IT IS A LITTLE KNOWN FACT THAT THROUGHOUT EVERY SINGLE CHAPTER OF AMERICA'S MILITARY HISTORY, INDIGENOUS PEOPLES HAVE STEPPED UP AND STEPPED FORWARD WITH COURAGE, HONOR, AND A DEEP SENSE OF DUTY. FROM THE EARLIEST BATTLES OF THE REVOLUTIONARY WAR TO THE DESERTS OF IRAQ AND THE MOUNTAINS OF AFGHANISTAN, NATIVE AMERICAN, ALASKA NATIVE, AND NATIVE HAWAIIAN SERVICE MEMBERS HAVE SO GALLANTLY REPRESENTED THE UNITED STATES IN WAYS THAT ARE OFTEN UNRECOGNIZED OR FORGOTTEN.

WHILE NATIVE AMERICANS MAKE UP LESS THAN 3% OF THE U.S. POPULATION, THEY HAVE SERVED AT HIGHER RATES PER CAPITA THAN ANY OTHER ETHNIC GROUP IN THE UNITED STATES AND ACCOUNT FOR NEARLY 2% OF THE ENTIRE MILITARY POPULATION. YET, DESPITE THEIR EXTRAORDINARY COMMITMENT, THEIR SACRIFICES HAVE TOO OFTEN BEEN OVERLOOKED—LOST IN THE SHADOWS OF THE VERY HISTORY THEY HELPED SHAPE.

THESE MEN AND WOMEN VOLUNTEERED TO DEFEND A NATION THAT HAS NOT ALWAYS DEFENDED THEM. LIKE SO MANY AMERICAN SOLDIERS, THEY LEFT THEIR FAMILIES, AND THEIR COMMUNITIES, AND ONCE AGAIN, THEIR HOMELANDS, AND THEIR CULTURE—MANY OF WHICH WERE SEIZED OR DIMINISHED BY THE SAME GOVERNMENT THEY SWORE TO PROTECT. THEY SERVED UNDER FLAGS THAT ONCE FLEW OVER BOARDING SCHOOLS MEANT TO ERASE THEIR IDENTITIES, AND YET, THEY WEAR THE UNIFORM WITH PRIDE.

DESPITE CENTURIES OF DISPLACEMENT, BROKEN TREATIES, AND SYSTEMIC MARGINALIZATION, INDIGENOUS VETERANS HAVE SHOWN UNWAVERING RESILIENCE AND LOYALTY. THEY SERVED NOT ONLY TO PROTECT AMERICAN FREEDOMS, BUT ALSO TO UPHOLD THE WARRIOR TRADITIONS OF THEIR OWN NATIONS—TRADITIONS THAT EMPHASIZE HONOR, PROTECTION, AND SERVICE TO COMMUNITY.

HOWEVER, THE HARDSHIPS DON'T END WHEN THEY RETURN HOME.

FAR TOO MANY INDIGENOUS VETERANS FACE STEEP CHALLENGES IN ACCESSING THE BENEFITS THEY'VE EARNED OR, ARE ALL TOGETHER TRULY UNAWARE OF THE BENEFITS THEY SO RIGHTFULLY DESERVE. THEY EXPERIENCE DISPROPORTIONATELY HIGH RATES OF UNEMPLOYMENT, HOMELESSNESS, PTSD, AND LIMITED ACCESS TO QUALITY VA HEALTHCARE—PARTICULARLY THOSE LIVING IN RURAL TRIBAL COMMUNITIES. WHILE THE DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS HAS TAKEN STEPS TO IMPROVE OUTREACH AND TRIBAL CONSULTATION, THE PROCESS IS STILL FRAUGHT WITH BUREAUCRATIC RED TAPE AND CULTURAL DISCONNECTS.

YET, CHANGE IS HAPPENING. TRIBAL GOVERNMENTS, NATIVE-LED NONPROFITS, AND INDIGENOUS ADVOCATES ARE STEPPING UP. PROGRAMS SUCH AS THE VA'S TRIBAL VETERAN REPRESENTATIVES INITIATIVE HAVE EMPOWERED NATIVE COMMUNITIES TO HELP THEIR OWN NAVIGATE THE COMPLEX BENEFITS SYSTEM. TRIBAL VETERANS' MEMORIALS ARE BEING CONSTRUCTED ACROSS THE COUNTRY, HONORING INDIGENOUS WARRIORS IN CULTURALLY MEANINGFUL WAYS. GRASSROOTS EFFORTS ARE ALSO ADDRESSING MENTAL HEALTH NEEDS, CULTURAL RECONNECTION, AND TRANSITIONAL HOUSING FOR RETURNING NATIVE SERVICE MEMBERS.

STILL, MORE MUST BE DONE.

HONORING INDIGENOUS VETERANS MUST EXTEND BEYOND PARADES AND PROCLAMATIONS. IT MUST INCLUDE SUSTAINED INVESTMENT IN HEALTHCARE, HOUSING, AND CULTURALLY COMPETENT SERVICES. IT MUST MEAN LISTENING TO THEIR VOICES, RESPECTING THEIR SOVEREIGNTY, AND RECOGNIZING THEIR UNIQUE EXPERIENCES BOTH IN AND OUT OF UNIFORM.

THESE WARRIORS DID NOT HESITATE WHEN THEIR COUNTRY CALLED. THEY STOOD FOR AMERICA—EVEN WHEN AMERICA HAD FAILED TO STAND FOR THEM.

NOW, IT IS OUR TURN.

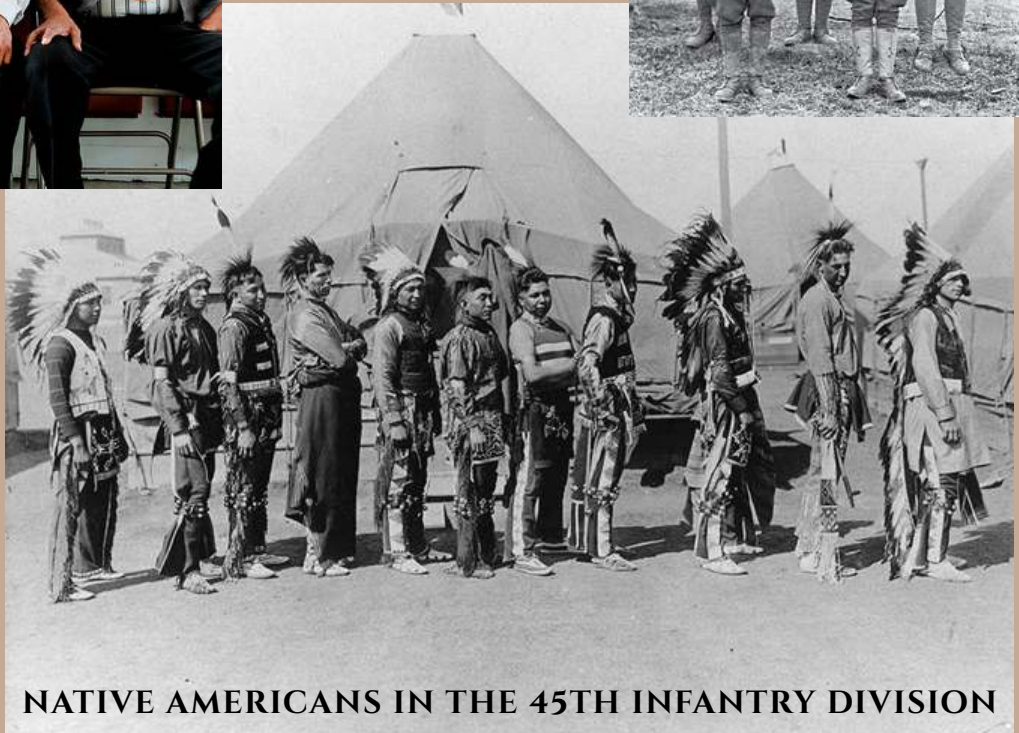
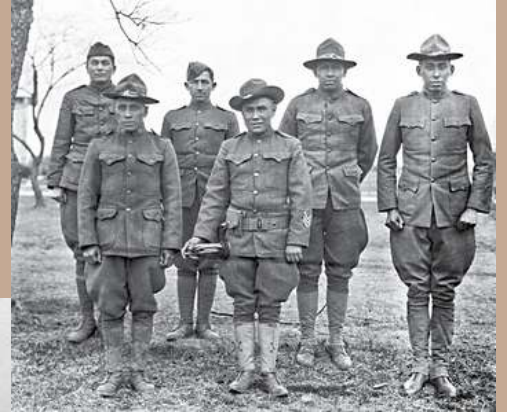
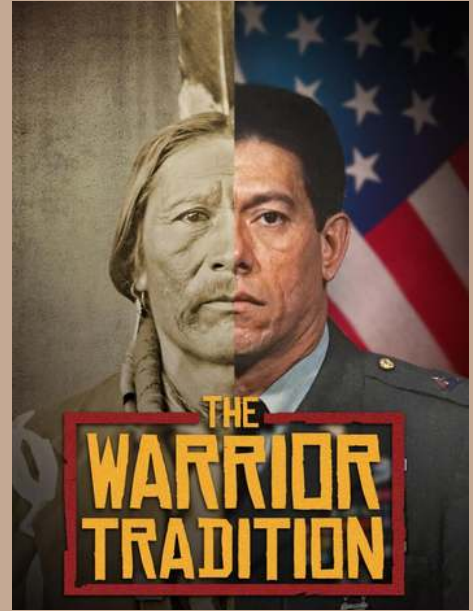
TO HONOR THEIR LEGACY, WE MUST ACT WITH INTENTION, COMPASSION, AND URGENCY. BECAUSE OUR FORGOTTEN SOLDIERS—THOSE WHO FOUGHT FOR OUR NATION WHILE STRUGGLING TO HOLD ON TO THEIR OWN—DESERVE NOT ONLY TO BE REMEMBERED, BUT TO BE SUPPORTED, UPLIFTED, AND CELEBRATED. LET US ENSURE THAT THEIR SACRIFICES ARE NOT JUST PART OF HISTORY, BUT A CALL TO JUSTICE. WE MUST STEP UP. WE MUST TAKE ACTION. WE MUST SERVE ALL OF OUR PEOPLE.



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NATIVE AMERICANS IN THE 45TH INFANTRY DIVISION

**WE KNOW WHY WE GET TO DO THIS!
GODFATHER'S BOOTH:
JULY 2025**

**THANK YOU FOR READING THE WEP3 NEWSLETTER.
THE PEOPLE'S PATRIOT PROJECT**

**FORGOTTEN SOLDIERS
HAU!
TÓKŠA TÓKHEL OWÁKIHI OYÁTE KIŇ AWÁŇWIČHAWAGLAKIŇ KTE**

SINCE THE FOUNDING OF OUR GREAT NATION, MEN AND WOMEN HAVE STEPPED UP, TAKEN THE OATH, AND LAID EVERYTHING ON THE LINE TO BUILD THIS COUNTRY, THE FREEDOMS WE ALL ENJOY, AND TO BE ABLE TO PURSUE LIFE, LIBERTY, AND THE PURSUIT OF HAPPINESS.

WE READ IN HISTORY BOOKS OF BRAVE MEN AND WOMEN FIGHTING FOR OUR COUNTRY. RECORDS DETAIL ACTS OF VALOR, HEROISM, AND DEEDS ABOVE AND BEYOND THE CALL.

WHAT WE OFTEN DO NOT SEE IS THE SACRIFICE AND THE BRAVERY OF OUR NATIVE AMERICAN BROTHERS AND SISTERS.

NATIVE AMERICANS HAVE BEEN PART OF OUR MILITARY SINCE THIS COUNTRY WAS FOUNDED. THEY HAVE BEEN INVOLVED IN EVERY CONFLICT AND WAR THAT THIS COUNTRY HAS EXPERIENCED. THEY ARE WARRIORS, AND THEY SERVED WITH HONOR AND DIGNITY. THEY SACRIFICED AND PAID THE ULTIMATE PRICE TO DEFEND THIS COUNTRY AND EVERY US CITIZEN.

THEY SERVED AS SCOUTS, SOLDIERS, AND DIPLOMATS. MANY OF US MAY BE FAMILIAR WITH THE "CODE TALKERS" DURING WW2.

**THE PHRASE ABOVE IS FROM THE LAKOTA, AND IT TRANSLATES:
TÓKŠA TÓKHEL OWÁKIHI OYÁTE KIŇ AWÁŇWIČHAWAGLAKIŇ KTE.- I WILL WATCH OVER MY PEOPLE THE BEST I CAN, OR I WILL TAKE CARE OF MY PEOPLE THE BEST I CAN (I WILL LOOK AFTER MY PEOPLE TO THE BEST OF MY ABILITY)**

OUR NATIVE AMERICAN BROTHERS AND SISTERS STILL SERVE TODAY; THEY DO SO WITH HONOR AND PRIDE.

**LET US NOT FORGET, LET US REMEMBER.
PHILÁMAYAYE**

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