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ROLLING THUNDER® XXV

“RIDE FOR FREEDOM” pays homage to the Nation’s Veterans, particularly those still Prisoners of War/Missing in Action from all Wars

Sunday, May 27, 2012

- 8:00 am** Assemble North Pentagon parking lot for the “Ride For Freedom” Demonstration
- Noon** “Ride For Freedom” leaves Pentagon over Memorial Bridge to the Stage located between the Reflecting Pool & Korean Memorial – Note new location
- Program** **Masters of Ceremonies:** Michael DePaulo & Nikki Mendicino - Rolling Thunder National
- 1:00 pm** **Musical Tribute:** Gordon Painter - Rolling Thunder National
- 1:30 pm** **Cage Presentation:** Rolling Thunder Chapter 5 NC with Gerald McCullar in POW cage
Color Guard Presentation: Rolling Thunder National & Chapter 3 VA
Pledge of Allegiance: Nikki Mendicino - Rolling Thunder National
National Anthem: Hannah Fox - Rolling Thunder Chapter 2 NJ
- 1:40 pm** **Performance by:** Loch Rannoch Pipes & Drums Band
- 2:00 pm** **Invocation:** Chaplain Tom Ransdell - Rolling Thunder Chapter 1 IN
- Mission Statement:** Mike Cobb - Chairman of the Board, Rolling Thunder National
- Welcome:** Sgt. Artie Muller - Founder/Executive Director, Rolling Thunder National
- Speaker:** Gary Scheffmeyer - President, Rolling Thunder National/Rolling Thunder Charities, Inc.
- Speaker:** Lynn O’Shea - Dir of Research, National Alliance of Families, Return of America's Missing Servicemen
- Speaker:** Commander Kirk S. Lippold (US Navy Retired) - Commander of the USS Cole
- Speaker:** Congressman Trent Franks - Republican Arizona
- Speaker:** Steve Thompson - Family & Veteran Liaison, Joint POW/MIA Accounting Command
- Speaker:** Bob & Jani Bergdahl - parents of Sgt. Bowe Bergdahl, POW Afghanistan
- Musical Tribute:** *God Bless the USA* - Gordon Painter, Rolling Thunder National
- Speaker:** Col. Patricia Blassie - Commander, Headquarters Air Reserve Personnel Center
- Speaker:** Sgt. Matt Smith - Army, Iraqi Freedom/Afghanistan Veteran
- Speaker:** Michael Shelby - “NY Myke” Vietnam Veteran & National member
- Benediction:** Chaplain Tom Ransdell - Rolling Thunder Chapter 1 IN

MUSICAL TRIBUTE TO VETERANS

Master of Ceremonies: Ted Glover - Rolling Thunder National & Chris Noel
Musical Tribute: Nancy Sinatra & Gordon Painter - Rolling Thunder National, Connie Stevens, Rockie Lynne, and Dean Crawford Dunn’s River Band

Rolling Thunder®, Inc. - a non-profit organization for POW/MIAs and all American Veterans.
Everyone is Welcome! Program Subject To Change