May is National Military Appreciation Month

Greetings!

May is when every American can make time to appreciate and THANK the men and women of this nation's armed forces. Here at ThanksUSA we are honored to work with individuals, groups and companies who are doing exactly that.

ThanksUSA Alumni

Meet Shadie Andraos

In this special edition of Scholarship News, we present an interview with one of the first military dependents to receive a ThanksUSA scholarship, Shadie Andraos. The oldest of six children, Shadie has served as a role model and mentor not only to his younger siblings, but also to fellow students and colleagues. Read Full Blog

ThanksUSA Scholar

Meet Charlotte Orren

Navy dependent Charlotte Orren received ThanksUSA scholarships totaling $9,000 for her undergraduate studies at Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University in Florida. On May 11th, Charlotte graduated with Magna Cum Laude honors, earning a Bachelor of Science degree in Aerospace Engineering with a Systems Engineering minor. Read Full Blog

Congrats to the TH10 Winners

Petra Hokanson is not only a TH10 Winner, but also a ThanksUSA scholar!
Heading to a Washington Nationals game? Use promo code ThanksUSA to receive discounted tickets. $5 of your ticket purchase will be donated to ThanksUSA.

Announcing New Partnerships

AthleticDNA is a sports apparel company that encourages and motivates the development of characteristics to help athletes maximize their potential. Watch for the opportunity to purchase AthleticDNA apparel during military holidays to benefit ThanksUSA. Apparel can be purchased at athleticdna.com or select retailers.

Cody Jessop, 15-year-old race-car driver, is a proud partner of ThanksUSA. Look for the ThanksUSA logo as Cody races a USAC HPD Midget. To learn more about Cody, visit codyjessopracing.com.

Gells partners its love of sharp-looking apparel with a continued commitment to philanthropy. Purchase a hunter green belt and 5% will benefit ThanksUSA. Belts can be purchased at gells.org.

The Healthy Weight Commitment Foundation promotes ways to help people achieve a healthy weight through energy balance—calories in and calories out. It

Tennis Thanks the Troops 2015 in Full Swing

For the fourth consecutive year, ThanksUSA was the delighted recipient of a generous donation from our friends responsible for San Diego's 15th Annual Tennis Fest. Held as always at the Balboa Tennis Club, Tennis Fest 2015 was an amazing show of love for tennis, tradition, and teamwork, and -- of course -- scholarships for military families!

We're grateful to San Diego District Tennis Association along with San Diego USPTA Division pros, for donating their time to support ThanksUSA's military family scholarship program. Raffle prizes and gift baskets were masterfully assembled and auctioned offered in a silent auction.

The result: More funds for the USPTA's partnership with our Tennis Thanks The Troops campaign. This means additional scholarships for the spouses and children of U.S. military personnel. Learn More

Congratulations to ThanksUSA’s National Spokesperson Stephen Curry!

Stephen Curry, ThanksUSA National Spokesperson was named Most Valuable Player for the 2014-15 NBA Season. He and his fellow Golden State Warriors lead 2-0 in the Western Conference Finals. ThanksUSA Chairman and CEO Bob Okun stated, "Our warmest congratulations go to Stephen Curry on the well-deserved honor of being named the NBA's MVP. Equal to his impressive work on the court is his inspiring dedication off the court to our country's military."
focuses its efforts on two critical areas—families and schools—through its Together Counts™ campaign, togethercounts.com, which is used by over 21.3 million students across the country.

2015 ThanksUSA Charity Golf Tournament

On Monday, May 11th -- a picture-perfect day to be on the links! -- ThanksUSA hosted its 8th annual Charity Golf Tournament. Held at the Club at Creighton Farms (in Aldie, Virginia), the outing was underwritten by technology innovator Intelligent Decisions and RAI Services with the reception sponsored by Apollo Education Group and the event was kicked off by the Georgetown Color Guard. Golfers included ThanksUSA scholarship recipient Declan Murphy and his father CDR Thomas Murphy, U.S. Navy (Ret.) as well as wounded warriors, and corporate sponsors. Thank you to those who came out to support our mission of providing scholarships to military families! Check out the highlights from this years event! Photo Gallery