

their memory lives on.

I am a veteran, too, and served in Iraq and Afghanistan.

I hope that by participating in The Summit Project I can help bring awareness to the fallen in the State of Maine.

I am preparing to hike with Sgt. Jason W. Swiger's memorial stone. I have learned that he was a very giving person, he always seemed to place himself before others. I want to embody his value of selfless service.

As I hike up the mountain, and my pack gets heavy, I will think about his sense of generosity. One way I hope to keep his memory alive is by connecting with his family and hoping that my connection as a veteran will allow them some confidence that there are extremely generous people that still care about their son's legacy.

When the hike gets tough I will think about or reflect on the fact that Sgt. Swiger had a deep set of beliefs and values that made him carry on, even in death.

Chad Januskiewicz

My name is Chad Januskiewicz and I married my high school sweetheart and best friend. Together we live in rural Maine with our kids. I'm very grateful to have two jobs working in the IT field.

When I'm not in front of a screen you will likely find me outdoors. I like to hike, swim, kayak and spend time with my wife and kids. I am very thankful and proud to be an American, and I have great respect for those who have given their tomorrow for our today.

This last time I was on Cadillac Mountain was with my father hiking the Precipice trail about 28 years ago. I choose to volunteer because I believe in the mission of TSP, and I am very thankful to be a part of this tribute hike.

I feel very overwhelmed hiking with a memorial stone in honor of Air Force Senior Airman Dustin I. Hadfield. When I was assigned his stone and read about his story, I was deeply saddened by his loss. During the video interview with his mom, Linda, I learned that Dustin always liked to make others laugh, had an early passion to serve, and had a big heart. I hope to apply these traits that Dustin had in his life daily to mine. I hope to do my best and carry Dustin's stone/story with me on this hike and for years to come.

Because of TSP Dustin will be remembered, his story will not pass away, his family can be comforted by our actions of honor and respect for their loss, they will know we care about them and that their

sacrifice mattered. Through TSP, Dustin's life can continue to have a significant positive impact on the lives of others he never met. I don't know of a better way to honor that sacrifice.

Scott Tarbox

My name is Scott Tarbox and I live in Sanford. I've been in the flooring business for 14 years. When I'm not working, I enjoy a spending time with my family camping, riding my motorcycle, and being part of the Patriot Riders.

I have lived in Maine my entire life except for one miserable year, when I lived in Houston, Texas. I always say Houston has two seasons: hot and hotter. I love Maine because it is by far the most beautiful state that I have ever been in, and we have four seasons.

I never served in the military, but I respect and honor anybody and everybody who has. I currently have a son in the U.S. Army, stationed at Fort Drum, New York in the 10th Mountain Division.

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Daily Hiker-Hero Countdown to TSP at ANP 2015. On October 17th, 2015, Chad Januskiewicz will join The Summit Project, a special living memorial, unique in all of America that honors and sustains the memories of Maine's post 9/11 fallen heroes.

