



Mission Debrief



OPERATION WAKE SURF

MONTHLY UPDATE

In February, OWS had the opportunity to be featured in two separate boat shows. OWS Founder *Robby Maschhaupt*, in partnership with **Upstate Marine NC**, had a booth at the **Mid Atlantic Boat Show** in Charlotte, NC. This 3 day event hosted manufacturers from all over the country to include **Centurion** and **Monterey**. "These were 12.5 hour days that started with preparations three days before the event" Maschhaupt says. "OWS was able to speak with over 250 people, many of which were prior service members. Through these new relationships, we were able to hand out over twenty \$5 gift cards to those that stopped by the OWS booth".



Over at the **Utah Boat Show**, OWS was featured at the **Joystick** booth with *Rob and Tiff Hargis*. This 4 day event was hosted at the **Mountain America Expo Center** in Salt Lake City, UT. "Joystick has had a close partnership with OWS over the past several years", says founder Tiff Hargis. "We had the opportunity to speak with numerous veterans and first responders at the event". Joystick was able to hand out several \$5 gift cards and even develop a relationship with event police staff on site.

MEET THE CREW

THIS IS JEN, OUR MEDICAL LIASON!

I am a helicopter rescue specialist and flight nurse for Travis County STAR Flight out of Austin, TX. My passions include traveling, water sports, live music and spending quality time with friends and family. PTSD effects so many people and it's often not talked about. OWS is special to me because I've seen first-hand how therapeutic the water can be.





SALUTE 2 SERVICE

A NATIONWIDE INITIATIVE

Operation Wake Surf has an amazing partnership with **Reynolds Trucking**. Last year Reynolds donated the funds to purchase 1000, \$5 gift cards from 7-Eleven. This is another way that OWS pays it forward to our Heroes with the idea that we can help them buy a snack or cup of coffee. Currently, OWS has had the opportunity to hand these out at several different events including the **Mid Atlantic** and **Utah Boat Shows**.

[SEE EVENT PICTURES](#)



UP NEXT

EVENTS

March 22 – S2S – Peoria, Arizona
May 13 – Fundraiser – Surf Jam: Lake Norman
May 23 – S2S – Tour de Surf: South Carolina

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ONLINE STORE

MERCHANDISE

New Item Alert!!! Operation Wake Surf shirts in youth sizes. Now your kids can roll in style just like you!

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HERO SPOTLIGHT

RYAN - JOLLIE - POLICE/FIRE FIGHTER/EMT

Ryan works his dream job as a Motor Officer for the Concord Police Dept. Prior to getting into law enforcement, Ryan was a Firefighter/EMT for Apex Fire Department. Ryan's introduction to OWS was through a website nomination! His Sgt. from work reached out to OWS and signed him up for a 5 day event. Prior to attending, Ryan had no clue what OWS was about. "I was not a fan of the water, I didn't really know how to swim. I still am not a great swimmer, but now I find the water to be a calming place to get away" says Jollie. "I met Kyle Baker at that 5-day OWS event. He invited me to do a ride along at Concord PD. It has always been my dream to be a motorcycle officer, and after doing a ride-a-long with Kyle, I put in an application with Concord PD. I was hired in December of 2021".

In his free time, Ryan has started taking a bigger role in Concord Police Dept's Law Enforcement Torch Run for Special Olympics North Carolina. "I help in fundraising and I find joy in assisting those with special needs participate in the special Olympics. This cause allows both the athletes and I give each other inspiration and fulfillment". Since being invited to the 5-day OWS event, Ryan has returned to other events hosted by OWS. He's assisted in furthering the cause of giving back to fellow heroes, helping provide them with a worry free experience.

"Thanks to OWS, I was able to meet incredible people and hear their stories. That gave me the inspiration to pursue my career goal of being a Motorcycle Officer instead of putting it off. My life has forever changed for the better, and the opportunities that have come from being a part of this organization are truly amazing! I appreciate everything everyone at OWS has done and continues to do for heroes across the country" -Jollie.



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