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NDTA (the National Defense Transportation Association) is a non-profit, non-political educational association committed to fostering partnerships between government, military and industry, and maintaining a strong and efficient global transportation, travel and distribution system in support of national security. The Association includes over 9,000 individual and corporate members, and over 60 chapters in the United States, Asia, Europe and the Pacific. Headquarters are in Alexandria, Virginia.

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Camp Hope, a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization, is a retreat for combat-wounded soldiers nestled on the grounds of Chris Neal Farm in Farmington, MO. It was created in 2007 by William "Mike" White and his wife, as a tribute to their son, Christopher, who was killed fighting for our country in Iraq. More than 42,000 soldiers have been injured in the War on Terror. Camp Hope is dedicated to allowing them the opportunity to participate in outdoor adventures with dignity. To support Camp Hope and sponsor Joe and Amy, make checks payable: "Camp Hope and write "5K" in the memo line. Mail to Camp Hope, PO Box 52 Farmington, MO, 63640.



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# NDTA Hosts Sporting Events in Dallas to benefit Camp Hope

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[Alexandria, VA] Attendees of the [Military Surface Deployment and Distribution Command](#) (SDDC) annual [Training Symposium](#) can look forward to some friendly competition at [Riverchase Golf Club](#) and along the [Katy Trail](#)—locations for the NDTA Veteran's Benefit Golf Tourney (Sunday, April 3) and NDTA A-35 Veteran's Benefit 5K (Monday, April 4) respectively. The [NDTA Dallas Chapter](#) and [NDTA A-35](#) young professional members will present the events and contribute proceeds to [Camp Hope](#).

US Army Engineer, Captain Joe Bogart, is preparing to golf and run in the Dallas events. That may not seem out of the ordinary for the average outdoorsman, but Bogart, of Waynesville, Missouri, is legally blind. He lost his right eye and his left was injured in an IED explosion in 2006 while fighting in the War on Terror. Captain Bogart was among the very first soldiers to visit and enjoy Camp Hope, a retreat for the combat-wounded. He has become an advocate, crediting the peace he found at the farm bonding with other war-wounded soldiers, with helping secure his decision to remain in the army after his injury.

"Camp Hope heals your soul," says Bogart adding that when he visited Camp Hope he, "healed in ways I didn't even realize I needed to... I got a new sense of independence."

Bogart, a seasoned runner, who runs at Fort Leonard Wood in Missouri several times a week and who completed the Army 10 Miler at the Pentagon in the fall, will run the 5K with Camp Hope Board Member/Public Information Officer, Amy Di Leo, of New York. This will be Di Leo's first run, but she's not concerned, because she is being trained long distance by her companion.

"Joe has made it difficult for me slack off; he's an Army Captain and doesn't let me slide. When I decided to take on this challenge I had no prior running interest, nor did I own a good pair of running shoes... and I had less than eight weeks to train. My goal was to be fast enough to be Joe's guide. Via email, text and phone calls, Joe has given me tips, incentive and encouragement... I've dropped five minutes off my original time."

LTG (Ret.) Kenneth Wykle, NDTA President, commends Captain Bogart's motivational effort and encourages members to lend support to the golf tournament and the 5K run. "Helping to organize and manage these two events is an honor for NDTA. We should all support these courageous Soldiers. They have made significant, life changing, sacrifices for our country, and we need to open our checkbooks," he said.

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**NDTA A-35 Veteran's Benefit 5K**

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**NDTA Veteran's Benefit Golf Tourney**

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"Camp Hope helps war-wounded Soldiers by allowing the outdoors to be part of their healing process; it not only improves morale by giving back their self-esteem, and their self-respect, but it somehow makes them feel like 'Soldiers' again," said William White, Camp Hope founder. "We owe all our Soldiers a debt of gratitude, but particularly our combat wounded. We thank NDTA for recognizing this, and for supporting Camp Hope's mission through their fundraising events."

If you want to know more about these sporting events, please contact [Sara France](#) Dallas Chapter Co-Secretary (Golf) or [Lori Leffler](#) A-35 Committee Chair (5K Run) or visit NDTA's [SDDC Symposium](#) website. For a complete listing of all NDTA events, please visit the online [NDTA Calendar](#).