
Memorial Day, not just another long weekend...

The most solemn US national holiday, Memorial Day's meaning is sometimes lost amidst the holiday sales, barbecues, and beginning of summer vacations.



We encourage everyone to find a moment to honor those who made the ultimate sacrifice for our country -- here are some [traditions/ideas](#) to help keep the stories of our heroes alive.

Fan mail

"I'm writing to tell you that the Ride Custom 2 Cushion has been working like a dream. I haven't had so much as a small red spot since I've been using it. I ended going to the wound clinic back in September when I received the cushion... haven't had a reason to go back since. I don't spend nearly as much time laying around in bed. I'm able to stay up late in my cushion without as much risk. The only thing I had to get used to was the cushion is thicker than any of my previous cushions so the chair needed some adjustments. This cushion has seriously improved my life and given me freedom that I had been missing for that year in which I was treating my pressure wound."

— Kevin Schaefer

Yay, Kevin! Ride Designs is honored to be part of your seating success story.

Learn more about the [Ride Custom 2 Cushion](#). Find more user stories [here](#) and, if you'd like to share your own story, download a submission form. We'd love to hear from you.



"The reality of disability and joy means accepting that not every day is good but every day has openings for small pockets of joy."

— Alice Wong,

from [Disability Visibility: First Person Stories from the Twenty-first Century](#)

Fun finds / resources

• What has the pandemic taught us about ourselves and our relationships? In a personal and wide-ranging conversation, leadership expert Simon Sinek shares his own experience caring for his mental health as the world shut down. He discusses why we need to nurture friendships (in both good times and bad) and much more, [here](#).



• "Disabled people deal with tactless questions and comments about their disabilities all the time. But that doesn't make them any less trying in the moment, and painful when they accumulate over a lifetime," from a good [article](#) about how disabled people sometimes struggle with awkward social interactions, by Andrew Pulrang in Forbes magazine.

• "No matter what happens with COVID, the positive changes and coping methods developed since its arrival aren't going anywhere," writes Bob Vogel, in an article about "[How Our Community Stays Sane in Crazy Times](#)" in New Mobility magazine.

Thanks for reading,
Your friends at Ride Designs



P.S. If you somehow missed the last newsletter, the most viewed item was about our mission to use only the very best materials to make Ride products and the new ultra-breathable, 3D mesh liner option for the [Ride Custom Back](#). While allowing increased air flow, the ultra-breathable liner retains even less moisture than the original, making it easier to wash and quicker to dry.

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