

Online Journal 2025

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June Overview:

Here are links to the daily articles I had posted at the top of the page of my blog site during June:

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Also, below are the articles I posted within this journal over the month, some with added highlights*, hoping to help readers save time in getting to the main points. I'm listing them here in alphabetical order while deleting daily journal entries where only the article itself was noted.

- [A New Birth of Authority](#), by Nathan Pinkoski
- [Cosmetic Resexualization Is a Game for Rich Kids](#), by Deborah C. Tyler
- [In the End, Everyone Hated the Iranian Theocracy](#), by Victor Davis Hanson
- [Martial Law in Mascara: How FDR Hijacked the Constitution and No One Told You](#), by Maureen Steele*
- [Pride Remains a Sin](#), by J.B. Shurk
- [Tearing Down False Idols: The Unchanging Truth of Jesus](#), by Scott Ventureyra
- [Ten Iranian Questions: What Trump's Strike Means for Iran, the Middle East, and American Power](#), by Victor Davis Hanson
- [The Gospel Doesn't Impart a Lens, but a Life](#), by Steven M. Bryan*
- [The LA Chaos Is an Illusion and Trump Will Not Fall for It](#), by Kurt Schlichter
- [The Legacy of Obergefell, Ten Years Later](#), by Matthew J. Franck
- [The Media's Failure to Effectively Confront Recent JFK Assassination Testimony](#), by Allan J. Favish
- [The Sexual Revolution Is Undermined by Its Own Triumph](#), by Carl E. Olson

- [What Left Behind Left Out About Israel, Prophecy, And War](#), by J. Chase Davis

Books:

- [Victims of the Revolution: How Sexual Liberation Hurts Us All](#), by Nathanael Blake

June 2, 2025:

If my parents were still with us, today they would be celebrating their 69th wedding anniversary. We celebrated their 60th anniversary in 2016. [Here are some of the photos](#) from that event.

A theme for that night was how God uses both the trials and challenges of our lives, as well as His many blessings, not just for our own good, but so that we might grow toward contributing to His kingdom and serve as a blessing to others. It was noted that God invites us to fold the stories of our individual lives into His larger redemptive narrative for this world.

We probably don't often see the fruits of our labors, though it's a special gift when friends come together to share a glimpse of such things, and how God has used a special friendship in one's life toward some greater good. This is what happened for my parents at their anniversary celebration, and that's really why it was such a special occasion.

June 4, 2025:

Today is the 36th anniversary of the crackdown on the Democracy Movement in Tiananmen Square and across mainland China. Later today I'll have some time with one of my former English students who was there at the time. I think she's done all she can to put it out of her mind. I won't bring it up in conversation, but will be listening for any suggesting that it's on her mind. She's become one to live in the moment, as the event was quite traumatizing for her and so many others. It makes sense to me that anyone who lived through the event would want to avoid reliving it as the anniversary comes around each year.

June 7, 2025:

Here are three more of my father's reflections on his time in the Navy:

- [Naval Gunfire](#)
- [Naval Postgraduate School](#)
- [Navigation](#)

July 12, 2025:

I've continued to follow the news of late, though I'm not seeing any articles that offer much new to current themes and discussions. It appears that the riots in Los Angeles and some other "blue" cities are funded partly by wealthy radical ideologues. Another factor is an education system that has sought to develop an army of ideologically driven activists as foot soldiers, rather than truly educated individuals. It's all very hard to watch as these things play out, and as the fabric of society is torn apart. For people who are driven by the notion that they are seeking to impose some manner of justice in an unjust world, I'll just note that we generally make a hash of justice when we take it upon ourselves to judge our fellow citizens, imposing a sentence upon them of our own choosing. I'm sure we do better to look within our own hearts and trust that there are objective truths to which we are accountable. Starting there is at least a more humble stance one could take.

June 14, 2025:

I have fond memories of our family's time in Colts Neck, New Jersey while my father served as Ordnance Officer at Naval Ammunition Depot, Earle. We were stationed there from the summer of 1968 into the spring of 1971. [Here are some of his reflections on that time.](#)

June 21, 2025:

Here are several reflections that my father shared with us as we were growing up:

- [Perseverance / Tenacity](#)
- [Personal Attributes](#)
- [Preparing the Ground](#)

June 28, 2025:

As we come to another weekend, I'd like to share more of the stories and reflections my father had shared with us over time. Continuing in alphabetical order, here are three more:

- [Prisoners of War](#)
- [Recollections of World War II](#)
- [Resources](#)

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