



“I wish all USO supporters could see what I’ve seen. The day’s stresses evaporate from the faces of troops during USO concerts. I’ve seen weary travelers find a comfortable place to rest. I’ve seen members of all services mingle around game tables and share their experiences in uplifting conversation. And I’ve seen how big a smile can get when a soldier, sailor, airman or Marine steps into an USO center and sees family members waiting there. No organization serves our service members like the USO.” DAVID J. MCINTYRE, JR., PRESIDENT AND CEO, TRIWEST HEALTHCARE ALLIANCE



“The USO provides a support system that tends to...our uniformed military personnel, offering a “touch of home” to those serving around the world. As our men and women in uniform selflessly dedicate their lives to protecting freedom, ensuring liberty and defending the principles of this country, the need for the USO has grown.”

CONGRESSMAN
JEFF MILLER (R-FL)
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USO CONGRESSIONAL
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Selfless Service

Close to 300 employees and more than 44,000 volunteers worldwide are the heart of the USO. Whether helping a soldier with a connecting flight, distributing care packages, serving snacks and refreshments with a smile or staffing a USO center, their vital work provides simple reminders of a home that eagerly awaits their safe return. Whatever and wherever the need, USO employees and volunteers answer the call.

One volunteer, Dave Wilson of USO Delaware, was selected as the first USO Volunteer of the Year. Knowing the difficulty of separation, the U.S. Air Force retiree jumped at the chance to improve the lives of the service men and women in the Persian Gulf region, leaving his family for several months to work long hours at USO centers overseas. Dave lifted the spirits of troops stationed

“USO tours are thrilling experiences, getting to meet our troops and being a part of that organization and bring a little bit of America to wherever they're stationed is such an honor. My brother was in the Air Force for seven years and my sister-in-law was also in the Navy, so it hits home that way, too.”

DALLAS COWBOYS
CHERLEADER
MISTY DUNCAN

Longtime USO supporter Lockheed Martin and its employees continued to donate their time and money to the USO and Operation USO Care Package program, giving more than \$885,000.



USO Fort Hood

While at Wal-Mart®, center director Robin Crouse waited in line behind a tired and frustrated soldier whose ATM card was not working. Offering to pay for her items, Crouse swiped the center's Wal-Mart gift card. The teary-eyed soldier thanked Crouse for her kindness. Crouse replied, "No ma'am, thank you for all you do."

at Rhein Main Air Base, Germany, traveled to Camps Victory and Beuhring, Kuwait and stood with the Honor Guards at Dover Air Force Base to pay respect to fallen troops. His compassion, tireless work ethic and selfless determination are characteristic of staff dedicated to the USO mission worldwide.

Our most recognizable volunteers are USO celebrity entertainers, who continued giving of their time and talent to our men and women in uniform, traveling near and far, facing known and unknown dangers only to be paid with the smiles, cheers and heartfelt thanks from service members.

Country music star Toby Keith, rock icons Aerosmith, legendary boxing promoter Don King, the Dallas Cowboys Cheerleaders, actors Robin Williams and Gary Sinise, comedian Lewis Black, multi-platinum recording artist Kid Rock, seven-time Tour de France champion Lance Armstrong, Miss USA® 2007 Rachel Smith and Irish Tenor Ronan Tynan were among the 108 celebrities who took the time to say, "Thank you." Our entertainers, who ranged from NFL players, PGA golfers and mixed martial arts fighters, to comedians, actors, musicians and authors, demonstrated an incredible spirit of generosity. This enabled the USO to provide the troops

"Our son was present at the USO show with Robin Williams, Kid Rock, Lance Armstrong, Lewis Black and Miss USA. He told us that it was the best two hours he's had since his deployment. As parents, we want to express our gratitude to the USO and all the incredible people responsible for making the holiday season extra special for all our men and women serving our wonderful country. Your efforts are greatly appreciated." DAVE AND JUDY DETWILER



“Hey Kellie...Just watched your USO tour...Got to see you with my hubby while he re-enlisted! That was too cool ...It was great to hear his voice ...I haven't heard it since he left!!!! Thanks so much for going over there and supporting them!!! God Bless.”

FROM KELLIE PICKLER'S
MYSPACE PAGE ON
GAC'S SPECIAL
“KELLIE PICKLER:
MY USO DIARY”

with, on average, more than one entertainment event every day, somewhere in the world.

USO employees, volunteers, entertainers and donors come together to serve those who serve. Our men and women in uniform embody leadership, patriotism and dedication to our country. The USO recognizes one from each service who exemplifies the spirit of America at the annual USO World Gala. In 2007, Specialist Marion D. Pettus, III, U.S. Army; Sergeant Justin L. Clough, U.S. Marine Corps; Hospital Corpsman Second Class Samuel S. Jordan, U.S. Navy; Senior Airman Nicole P. O'Hara, U.S. Air Force; and Petty Officer Second Class Daniel J. Walsh, U.S. Coast Guard were selected as USO Service Members of the Year for their heroic and life-saving actions in Operation Iraqi Freedom.



USO Council of Georgia

Tears come to travelers' eyes every day, watching USO Georgia in action. As a volunteer leads the way through Atlanta's Hartsfield-Jackson International Airport, people applaud America's heroes on their way to Iraq, Afghanistan or Kuwait. Each service member carries America's support in an Operation USO Care Package.

“These American entertainers made my Christmas! It was almost like being home for a few hours. All the military personnel alike had a wonderful time. We even received Christmas stockings with candy inside, just like a traditional American Christmas. They made us forget that we were in the middle of a war just for a while. And every little bit of relief does wonders for the men and women serving overseas.” JIM MALLETT