



USO Volunteer of the Quarter

One of the many important qualities that a great USO volunteer will possess would be heart and the willingness to serve.



George Villa is an individual that has demonstrated “heart and the willingness to serve” during his more than 25 years of volunteer service with the USO.

“George is 85 years old and comes in to volunteer rain or shine, regular days or holidays” says *Sheila Muntoon*, Honolulu International Airport USO Center Manager.

“George catches the bus about 10 miles each way to volunteer 4 days a week for 5 hours each. He shows up for his shift on time and ready to help every visiting guest that walks through our door.”

In 2011, George volunteered more than 1040 hours and truly believes in the USO mission. Assisting our soldiers and families visiting at the Honolulu International Airport facility with directions, places to visit, things to see, foods to try or even where and how to catch The Bus. He entertains them with stories of when he served in the Air Force and his time volunteering for the USO.

Returning visitors and guests stop by the USO just to see him and share stories of how they met. He really has a lasting and positive impact on people, and continues to actively serve.

“I believe that George has the USO’s mission engraved in his heart.” says Muntoon. “He is here first and foremost for the troops and their families. Supporting them for 25 years is one of the biggest factors. He is our “poster boy” for USO here at the Honolulu International Airport and we love to tell everyone that he has been here for all these years.”

Wells Fargo Conference on Maui Yields Goodie Packages to Troops



Wells Fargo recently met on Maui for a conference. The corporation representatives wanted to do something for our troops.

They packaged 150 care packages for our troops in Afghanistan and 150 care packages for our Single Soldiers.

Something’s Cooking at the USO!



A big mahalo to all our wonderful and most thoughtful USO supporters for donating baking mixes for our Centers: a home away from home! If you would like to donate items, please Contact Barb Troegner at 808-422-1213 or btroegner@uso.org

The USO SUPPORTING OUR SOLDIERS AND THEIR FAMILIES

Bikers with Hearts of Gold!

Recently, Windward Mall held a Motorcycle Madness event. Bikers and their families throughout the island came out to support the event. All proceeds were donated to USO for our Wounded Warrior Program. Some of the contest winners offered their cash winnings to USO Hawaii.



In addition, event DJ and radio personality, Mike Hammer collected additional donations from the crowd. Hawaii Programs Manager, Barbara Troegner is shown accepting a donation check for nearly \$2300.

Some of our local programs are our Single Soldiers Welcome Home Packages. Welcome Home Baskets for our Single Soldiers, holiday events, our annual Service Salute, and Military Appreciation Day for our both our active duty and retired military. (continued pg 3 Bikers)



Local Schools get visit from Sesame Street

Sesame Street's Elmo and Rosita visited Hawaii in early March. We visited Aliamanu Elementary School, Wheeler Elementary School and Mokulele Elementary School.

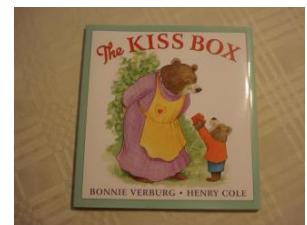


We had 2 performances and entertained over 1000 students. Sesame St program offers DVDs for children ages 2 - 8 to understand deployments, homecomings and changes.

For children ages 8 - 12, we have the Trevor Romain program. This program also helps children deal with deployment and loneliness. We have DVD for them to help the child understand deployments and a journal to record their feelings.

Volunteers visit schools with

KISS BOXES



Volunteers of USO Hawaii visited 7 schools to read the "Kiss Box" book to 12 children at each school.

The children then placed a kiss in their kiss box for their Mom. Each child left with a book!

Bikers continued

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**Pau Hana Parrot Head Club
Raises Donations**



Members of the **Pau Hana Parrot Head Club** held a pre event fundraiser before the Jimmy Buffett concert. All donations were given to USO Hawaii for our programs.



Coffee Talk

Schofield has
SPRING FLING



USO Hawaii participates in Schofield 's Spring Fling for Army families. Over 300 DVDs were given away to the children.

**Waikiki Aquarium
MILITARY APPRECIATION DAY**



**WAIKIKI
AQUARIUM**

Plans are in the works to celebrate Military Appreciation Day on **Saturday, July 7** at the Waikiki Aquarium.

A wonderful day of activities and exhibit for families of those that serve. More information to follow as we near the event date. Mark your calendars!

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Our Presence Making a Difference

The USO, incorporated in 1941, has been in Hawaii since the early 1970s and was incorporated in Hawaii in 1972. USO Hawaii operates the two centers on Oahu, at Honolulu International Airport and at Hickam AMC Terminal.

USO Hawaii serves over 80,000 military members and their families each year, averaging 165 persons a day. USO outreach programs, such as the Deployment/Re-deployment Support Program, provide refreshments and aloha to our troops as they deploy, and also as they return from harms way.

Our Mission: The USO lifts the spirits of America's troops and their families.

Become a USO Volunteer

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FOR OUR ONLINE APPLICATION!

Center Volunteers:

Location: Joint Base Pearl Harbor - Hickam AMC Terminal

At the JBPHH AMC USO, you will be responsible for providing hospitality to those traveling Space-A. You will also provide general information on military lodging and commercial hotels, area restaurants, bus and taxi services, as well as military travel and alternate commercial travel (when necessary).

Days/Hours: Sun.-Sat., between 6:00 a.m.-10:00 p.m., minimum 4 hours (one shift) per month, number of days and hours flexible and based on need.

Commitment: Three months minimum*.
POC: Charity Howe at 808-448-9966

Center Volunteers:

Location: Honolulu International Airport
between Baggage Claims E & F

At the Airport USO, you will be responsible for providing hospitality to those traveling on commercial airlines. You will provide contact and transportation information to inbound military personnel and their families traveling on PCS orders. You will also provide general information about the Airport and surrounding locations, area lodging (military and commercial), rental car information, and bus and taxi services. Parking is validated for scheduled shift for Volunteers.

Days/Hours: Sun.-Sat., between 8:00 a.m.-Midnight, minimum 4 hours (one shift) per month, number of days and hours flexible and based on need.

Commitment: Three months minimum*.
POC: Sheila Mundon at 808-836-3357

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Deployment Re-deployment Support Program

Location: Varies

USO Hawaii volunteers are the last ones the troops see before they board the aircraft at Hickam and we are the first ones they see when they arrive at Wheeler! We are there with snacks, beverages, treats and Care Packages. Every military member leaving will receive a Care Package with toiletries, puzzle book, snacks.

Days/Hours: Sun.-Sat., Times vary and change at a moment's notice based on the needs and schedule of the military.

Commitment: Three months minimum*.
POC: Barb Troegner at 808-422-1213 or btroegner@uso.org

Event Support Volunteer

Location: Varies

Provide volunteer services as needed for USO Hawaii events. Services may include parking assistance, food distribution, greeting activities and heavy lifting.

Days/Hours: Sun.-Sat., Events are held quarterly, number of days and hours flexible and based on the needs of the event.

Commitment: One event per year. Contact Barb Troegner at 808-422-1213 or btroegner@uso.org

Special Project Volunteer

Location: Varies

Provide support to the USO Hawaii Centers as needed to pickup supplies, clean up centers, move furniture, send out mailings, make phone calls, staff recruitment booths, and other such duties as they arise.

Days/Hours: Sun.-Sat., Varied times, number of days and hours flexible and based on the needs of the project.

Commitment: Two projects per year. Contact Barb Troegner at 808-422-1213 or btroegner@uso.org

It is understood Active Duty members may not be able to make this commitment.



“Lifts the spirits of our troops and their families.”

Until Every One Comes Home®

1-21 IN BN Gimlets – Army
Schofield Barracks

Deployed to Korea from Hickam AFB
USO Hawaii – Apr 2012

Mission supported by: Knights of Pythias



USO volunteers during various departures and arrivals greet our troops and offer snacks and refreshments.



USO Hawaii and the 600+ Soldiers, 1-21 IN BN Army Gimlets from Schofield Barracks have had an incredibly blessed week. Thank you to the Knights of Pythias, for their wonderful and generous donation these Soldiers received the best goodies and support prior to their deployment. The soldiers were overjoyed to receive such wonderful support and donations while they waited the 3-4 hours for their flight.



Daddy and Daughter spends some precious moments together after being apart for too long.



Recent Homecoming brought more than 281 troops home to awaiting families. After being processed, they boarded awaiting transport buses on way to Wheeler AFB. Local bike clubs arrive to support our troops arrival and escort the buses.





USO SPONSORS AND FRIENDS

Every day, our heroes in uniform put their lives on the line so that we can enjoy freedom. Our troops are serving in isolated locations, dealing with multiple deployments and missing their families and friends here at home. Whether stationed in the mountains of Afghanistan or recovering courageously in a hospital in Germany, our troops and their families deserve the very best we can give.

The USO is not a government agency. It relies on the generosity of the American people. People just like you. There are so many ways we can let our troops know they are not forgotten. We appreciate these sponsors that generously give to help us attain our mission to serve.

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