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On March 2, 2016 Delta Air Lines Flight Attendants, Heidi Burmeiste and Kristina Cummins teamed up with Zoey, Katrina, and Hannah members of Girl Scout Troop #41365 to hand out Girl Scout Cookies (also donated by Troop #41365) on flight night at the USO-NW Sea-Tac Center. Heidi and Kristina led the way and provided tips to the girls on how to approach traveling guests in the busy center.

Thank you to Troop #41365 and Delta Air Lines for their support in making our guest's stay at the USO "sweeter"!





Every month, the USO Northwest Shali Center hosts a "No Dough" Dinner for service members and their families. This popular USO program offers free hot meals on the evening before payday for our service members and their families. Our "No Dough" Dinner program is supported through donors from our annual USO-NW Five-Star Gala Dinner and Auction. We are very fortunate to have every dinner sponsored by someone that cares and believes in our military and their families. In February, the Highlander Compnay, 2-2 SBCT was able to experience their first "No Dough" Dinner.





"Our Soldiers are very grateful for the "No Dough" Dinner event they couldn't believe that USO was holding this exclusively for 2-2 SBCT. Our Commanders used this opportunity to reward Soldiers that excelled during our National Training Center rotation held in January in California.

- CPT Clarizza Paz



Making friends in school is difficult.

Dealing with bullies is nerve-racking.

Making healthier food choices is confusing. Now add the challenges associated with moving every few years and coping with a deployed parent to that list. Military children don't sign up for the mission but they must deal with the anxieties that come with being a military child.

The Comfort Crew for Military Kids once again partnered with the USO and visited US military children around the world, and in February made a tour stop in Washington State visiting four schools to help kids cope with today's issues and military life as a child.



Horizon's Elementary was the second school on the list and Trevor Romain, award-winning TV

personality and children's book author, spoke in-front of a packed auditorium. Trevor Romain shared his stories while he was in the military. He talked to military kids on how to deal with bullies and how to cope with deploying parents. After his show, kids that were having challenges with balancing deployed parents and schoolwork, came up to Trevor to greet him and thank him. It's moments like these that help dealing with life as a military child more manageable. The Comfort Crew for Military Kids and the USO work tirelessly to make sure that these military children are never forgotten.



For more info on the Comfort Crew for Military Kids, With You All the Way Tour, go to: http://www.comfortcrew.org/withyoutour.htm

More photos from this tour can be found on: https://www.flickr.com/photos/usonorthwest/albums/72157664899519221/with/25123357742/ .

USO Northwest Volunteers Always By Their Side

USO-NW Shali Center serving it up a home cooked meal

USO Northwest Volunteers are the heartbeat of the organization. They have the heart and soul to serve on a continued basis for the service members and their families. Some volunteers will go above and beyond by cooking home cooked meals, some will get blankets from home for cold nights, and for emergency changes to scheduling USO-NW volunteers will work an extra round just to make sure everything is covered. Their smiles go beyond the walls of a USO-NW Center, they take their cheer with them every where they go.

If you are volunteering at a USO-NW Center and happen to get some photos of you and your comrades in action please forward all photos to Kevin Iriarte, Communications Manager at communications@usonw.org

USO-NW Sea-Tac Center keeping the luggage room organized on a mini-flight night



USO-NW Mobile volunteers load the van, unload the van, set up, serve, tear-down, clean up and then load up the van just to be driven again to the USO-NW Shali Center for unloading



