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**USO Board of Governors Re-Elects Board Member Janice Emmert and Welcomes
New Members General George W. Casey, Jr. and John E. Suttle**

ARLINGTON, Va. (December 11, 2012) -- The USO Board of Governors announces the election of new members to serve on its board. These board members include:

- **General George W. Casey, Jr.**, U.S. Army (Ret)
- **Janice Emmert**, Community Leader & Philanthropist
- **John E. Suttle**, Senior Vice President of BAE Systems

General Casey and Suttle were elected to the USO Board of Governors at its November meeting in Washington, DC. In addition, Emmert, who previously served on the USO Board of Governors for nine years, was elected to return to the Board. These members join a governance board of 33 members, representing top leaders in diverse fields such as defense, business, entertainment, media, and philanthropy.

"The USO is fortunate to have George, John and Jan bring their experience, insight and perspective to the governance responsibility of the USO Board of Governors," said General Richard B. Myers, U.S. Air Force (Ret), Chairman of the USO Board of Governors and former Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff. "Each has a perspective that will strengthen our ability to make a difference in the lives of troops and their families. George's extensive leadership experience in the Army, John's marketing and entrepreneurial mindset, and Jan's civic and philanthropic expertise, as well as her years of USO experience, make each of them valuable assets as we continue to adapt to meet the needs of our troops and families."

MEMBER BACKGROUND

General George W. Casey, Jr., U.S Army (Ret)

General Casey served as the 36th Chief of Staff of the U.S. Army from April 2007 to 2011 and is widely credited with restoring balance to the U.S. Army after 10 years in combat, modernizing and leading the transformation necessary to defend our nation in the 21st Century, and ensuring the current force deployed in the war on terror was the best this country has ever fielded.

From 2004 to 2007, General Casey commanded the Multi-National Force – Iraq, a coalition of more than 30 countries, where he guided the Iraq mission through its toughest days. He led significant change in the U.S. Armed Forces and built the Iraqi security institutions to set the conditions for our long-term success.

On the homefront, General Casey has been a stalwart advocate for troops and military families, expanding programs for the wounded, addressing the tough issues of substance abuse and suicide, reducing the stigma of combat stress and trauma, and providing long term support for survivors of the fallen.

Janice Emmert

Janice Emmert is nationally respected as both a community leader and philanthropist. Jan was first elected to the USO Board of Governors in 2002 and served three consecutive terms until 2011. During her nine year term, she served as Chair of the Board of Governors' Operations Committee, Governance Committee and Programs Committee and as a member of the Executive Committee.

Jan's 28 years of USO service began with USO of Illinois, where she is the only woman to have ever served as Board Chair in its 71 year history. She has also served on the Board of the Rocky Mountain USO in Colorado.

Currently, she is Board President of the Meadow Ridge of Beaver Creek Condominium Association in Colorado. She served as President of the Brookfield Zoo Women's Board and is a former member of the Chicago Zoological Society. Recognized for outstanding leadership in her career of service, she has been honored by the USO of Illinois with its Ronald L. Friske Memorial Award.

John E. Suttle

John Suttle is the senior vice president of Communications for BAE Systems, Inc. Suttle manages communications for the company's U.S.-based business, which employs approximately 40,700 employees across 120 major sites around the world. He most recently served as vice president of Communications for BAE Systems Land & Armaments operating group.

A retired lieutenant colonel for the U.S. Army, Suttle served as an Apache attack helicopter pilot and company commander in the Gulf War. Additionally, he served in Germany and Bosnia-Herzegovina as an Apache attack helicopter battalion executive officer. His military decorations include the Legion of Merit and the Bronze Star.

Suttle is a graduate of the Army's Training with Industry Fellowship Program where he trained at Ketchum Public Relations, focusing on integrated marketing communications. Suttle is a graduate of the Command and General Staff College. His civilian education includes a Bachelor of Science in mass communications/public relations from Lamar University and a Master of Arts in journalism/public relations from Marshall University.

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