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Rachael MacFarlane Treats Wounded Warriors, Medical Staff and Volunteers to a Weekend of Fun During the USO Holiday Visit to Germany

ARLINGTON, VA (Dec. 13, 2012) – Star of the Emmy nominated television show “AMERICAN DAD!,” **Rachael MacFarlane** wrapped up her first-ever USO experience this past weekend where she left behind a trail of laughs, smiles and all around good times for troops and their families stationed in Germany. In the region to serve as headline entertainer for the Landstuhl Regional Medical Center (LRMC) Annual Holiday Ball, the celebrated voice-over actress made the most of her time in Europe by having spent quality time with wounded warriors and their caretakers, and extended America’s thanks to military families.

DETAILS:

- During her time in Germany, MacFarlane lifted the spirits of hundreds of troops and military families. She kicked off the morale-boosting USO trip with a visit to the Ramstein Air Base Contingency Aeromedical Staging Facility (CASF), where she performed and sat with medevac patients awaiting transport back to the states for further medical care. Her appearance was followed by a tour of the Landstuhl Regional Medical Center sitting bedside with our wounded heroes and a performance at the USO Warrior Center.
- Among the many highlights of the 2-day tour was an appearance at the LRMC Holiday Ball, where MacFarlane dazzled the crowd with several songs. Designed to provide a welcomed break to medical staff and caretakers, the Ball celebrated the holidays.
- MacFarlane’s break out voice-over role came during the first season of “FAMILY GUY” on FOX, when she was cast as ‘Jennifer, the Cult Girl.’ That gateway part was quickly followed by roles in "Johnny Bravo" and "The Power Puff Girls," among other notable hits. In September, MacFarlane released her first CD "Hayley Sings" featuring such songs as “Someone to Watch Over Me” and “Makin’ Whoopee,” among 12 other tracks.

- A native of Connecticut, MacFarlane comes from a family rich in creativity and the arts. Her father was a teacher and singer/performer, and her brother, Seth, is the master of primetime animation as “FAMILY GUY” creator/“AMERICAN DAD!” co-creator.

QUOTE:

Attributed to Rachael MacFarlane

“There are no words to express how much my first USO experience meant to me. From the moment I arrived at Ramstein Air Base, to meeting all of the wonderful staff at Landstuhl Regional Medical Center, I knew this was a very special place. The USO is an important family, and it provides a 'home away from home' for thousands of America's devoted service individuals. I was honored and humbled to meet and perform for our wounded Heroes and will forever treasure my time with them. It was a true gift to be able to express my gratitude to them in person. I thank the USO for giving me this opportunity and for being there, always, for these extraordinary men and women. I am looking forward to a great future assisting in any way that I can, with this incredible organization.”

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