

ANNUAL AWARDS DINNER

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USO OF METROPOLITAN WASHINGTON

1995 ANNUAL AWARDS DINNER

Honoring

Senate Majority Leader Bob Dole

USO of Metropolitan Washington Service Award

Mr. Bob Hope

USO of Metropolitan Washington Merit Award

Anthony R. Gillespie

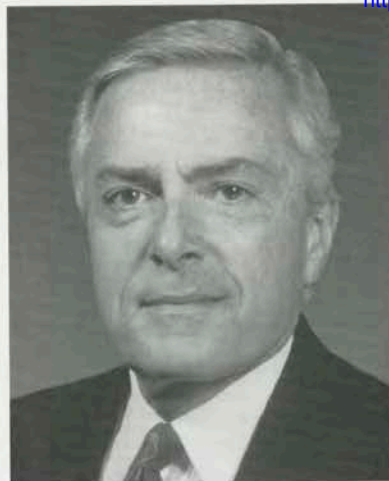
Staff Sergeant, United States Marine Corps

C. Haskell Small Award for Volunteerism

The Ritz-Carlton, Pentagon City
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WELCOME



Welcome to the Twelfth Annual USO of Metropolitan Washington Awards Dinner. We are delighted that you could join us here tonight in honoring Senator Bob Dole, Senate Majority Leader, as we present him our 1995 Service Award for his many years of outstanding public service. It also is our great pleasure to honor Mr. Bob Hope with the USO-Metro Merit Award, and to recognize Staff Sergeant Anthony R. Gillespie as this year's recipient of the C. Haskell Small Award for Volunteerism.

We gather here tonight to recognize and honor these three outstanding Americans. Each of our honored guests has, in a manner of his own choosing, demonstrated a dedicated commitment to serving the public interest, assisting those who require assistance, and contributing to the welfare of their country and their community. The USO of Metropolitan Washington takes great pride in being able to recognize these fine individuals who are true representatives of the spirit of volunteerism and public service.

Tonight we also will pay special tribute to those military personnel who served in World War II. USO-Metro believes that it is important that we never forget that hundreds of thousands of Americans postponed their private lives in order to answer their country's call to arms. They poured all their talents and energy into becoming the finest soldiers, sailors, airmen and marines assembled by a nation. They stood their ground and guaranteed us a right to enjoy living in a free and democratic country. It is both appropriate and necessary that we remember and thank them.

On behalf of the Dinner Committee, the friends and extended family of USO-Metro, I offer each of you my sincere thanks for your generous support. Also, we are especially grateful to the Ritz-Carlton, Pentagon City and specifically to Mr. Paul Westbrook, the General Manager, for their continued patronage of our Annual Dinner.

Again, welcome to this very special evening.

ROBERT H. KOEHLER
*Dinner Chairman and
Vice President, Board of Directors
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PRESIDENT'S GREETING

On behalf of the Board of Directors of the USO of Metropolitan Washington, I would like to welcome you to our Annual Awards Dinner. It is only through your generous support that USO-Metro can continue to offer the programs and services that assist enlisted servicemembers and their families based in the greater Washington-Baltimore metropolitan area.

Tonight we are extremely pleased to honor Senate Majority Leader Bob Dole, Mr. Bob Hope and Staff Sergeant Anthony R. Gillespie for their extraordinary contributions in the name of public service and volunteerism. We will also commemorate the 50th anniversary of the end of World War II and will provide a special salute to all those who served during the war.

Since 1941, the USO of Metropolitan Washington has kept pace with the changing human services needs of our Armed Forces. Its success can be directly attributed to the dedicated support of the hundreds of people, civilian and military, who work together to improve and enrich the lives of military men and women. They are the backbone of USO-Metro, and it is through this dinner and our honorees that we give our thanks and recognition. We are also most appreciative of the members of the United States Congress and the senior military and Department of Defense officials who support our activities this evening and throughout the year.

We are proud to announce that, through the efforts and contributions of our Dinner Committee and our many Board members and sponsors, nearly 90 cents of every dollar raised here tonight will go directly back into USO-Metro programs and services.

We hope that you enjoy the evening. Please accept our sincere thanks for the invaluable support you give to the USO of Metropolitan Washington.

SAMUEL D. CHILCOTE, JR.
*President, Board of Directors
USO of Metropolitan Washington*



EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S TRIBUTE



Each year the USO of Metropolitan Washington holds its Annual Awards Dinner to recognize the spirit of public service and volunteerism. The three individuals we are honoring tonight certainly embody this spirit: Senate Majority Leader, Bob Dole, recipient of the 1995 USO-Metro Service Award; Mr. Bob Hope, recipient of this year's Merit Award; and Staff Sergeant Anthony R. Gillespie, the 1995 winner of the C. Haskell Small Award for Volunteerism. As an organization that has dedicated 54 years to "serving those who serve," USO-Metro is proud to salute these distinguished citizens. And tonight we will also commemorate the 50th anniversary of the end of World War II by paying tribute to all those who served during the war. It is our intent to give this recognition through a special presentation to three World War II Medal of Honor recipients.

When the USO was chartered in February 1941, eight clubs in the Washington, D.C. area provided the coffee, donuts and conversation for members of our nation's Armed Forces. Thanks to you, our faithful supporters, the vision of the founders of the USO continues today, although our support role has changed dramatically over the past 50 years. Your support enables us to work together daily with area military commands and civilian organizations to provide timely programs such as Emergency Housing for military families in crisis, Food Assistance, educational scholarships, Airport Assistance Desks, Holiday Programs, Job Fairs, and Family Support Centers at four locations in the metropolitan area. We are dedicated to providing programs and services that are especially designed to enrich the lives of the 317,000 military men, women and family members that we support and who reside in the greater Washington-Baltimore metropolitan area.

We are extremely grateful for the many contributions of our supporters: volunteer, in-kind, and the wide variety of community-based support. Your presence here tonight and continued support in the future will enable USO-Metro to continue extending a helping hand to military families throughout the region. Also, we are especially grateful to Mr. Bob Koehler, Vice President of our Board of Directors, for his committed support by serving as the Dinner Chairman for the past three years.

Thank you for coming and enjoy the celebration.

ELAINE B. ROGERS

Executive Director

USO of Metropolitan Washington

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DINNER

Salmon Rose
with
Japanese Seaweed Salad
Citrus and Lobster Vinaigrette

Marinated Beef Tenderloin
with
Traditional Red Burgundy Sauce

and

Herb Crusted Chicken
with
Garlic Cream Sauce

White and Wild Rice

Bouquet of Vegetables

Chocolate Mocha Mousse Timbale
with
Blackberry and Mocha Coulis

Coffee and Tea



PROGRAM OF EVENTS



RECEPTION

INTRODUCTION OF HEAD TABLE

MASTER OF CEREMONIES

Mr. Arch Campbell, WRC-TV

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Captain John F. Gundlach, III, Chaplain
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PRESENTATION OF 1995 C. HASKELL SMALL AWARD

Staff Sergeant Anthony R. Gillespie, USMC

DINNER

USO-METRO PRESENTATION

and Special Salute

ENTERTAINMENT

U.S. Air Force Singing Sergeants

PRESENTATION OF 1995 USO-METRO MERIT AWARD

Mr. Bob Hope

PRESENTATION OF 1995 USO-METRO SERVICE AWARD

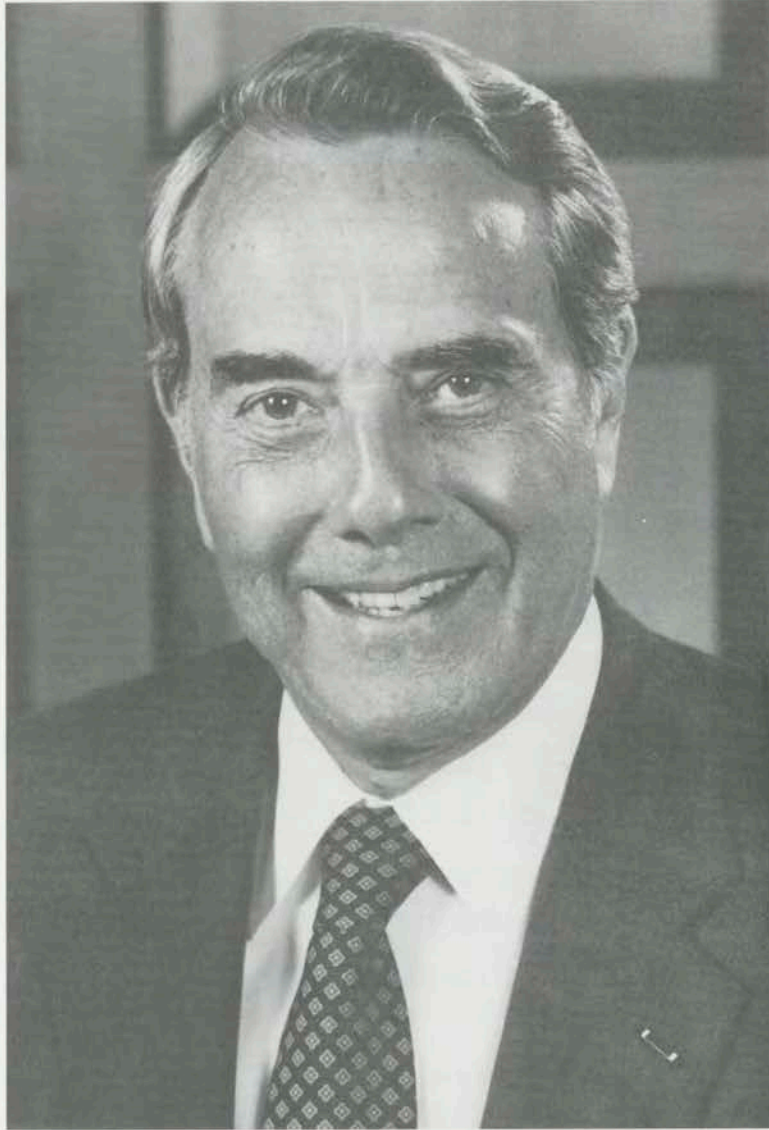
Senate Majority Leader Bob Dole

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SENATE MAJORITY LEADER BOB DOLE
USO OF METROPOLITAN WASHINGTON
SERVICE AWARD
1995

Recognized as one of our nation's towering political figures, Senator Bob Dole has a distinguished record of public service that has made a difference in America.

A decorated and wounded combat veteran of World War II, Bob Dole was raised on the plains of western Kansas. This tough, common sense conservative from America's heartland has extensive experience in the public sector: he is currently the Senate Majority Leader, and has been Chairman of the Senate Finance Committee, a candidate for President in 1980 and 1988, his party's nominee for Vice President, a member of the House of Representatives, the Chairman of the Republican Party, a state legislator, and a county attorney.

In high school Dole was president of HI-Y and a member of the National Honor Society. He enrolled at Kansas University as a premedical student, played football, basketball, and ran indoor track. Dole joined the Army Reserve, and on June 1st, 1943, he asked to be placed on active duty.

During the second World War, Bob Dole was a platoon leader in the legendary Tenth Mountain Division in Italy. They had a reputation for never losing the ground they took, and in the six weeks Lieutenant Dole was with them they labeled him "the best combat leader the platoon had." He would later be awarded two Purple Hearts and a Bronze Star with Oakleaf Cluster for heroism on the battlefield.

On April 14, 1945, while engaged in combat against the enemy near Bologna, Italy, Lieutenant Bob Dole was gravely wounded. After 39 months in various hospitals in the United States and abroad, he returned to college at the University of Arizona, and subsequently received a joint bachelors and law degree in 1952 from Washburn Municipal University in Topeka. Dole was elected to the Kansas House of Representatives in 1950, and was Russell County Attorney until he was elected to the U.S. Congress in 1960. In 1968 he was elected to the United States Senate, and in 1976 he was the Republican nominee for Vice President. In 1982 he became Chairman of the Senate Finance Committee, and served as Senate Majority Leader in 1985 and 1986. And, in January 1995 he once again became Senate Majority Leader.

Senator Dole has long been an advocate for those with disabilities. Today, 49 million Americans have disabilities, 24 million of whom are severely disabled. In 1969, Dole first called for greater removal of architectural barriers, and in 1973 the Rehabilitation Act was passed, which required accessibility for the disabled to all Federal buildings. He has also spoke out consistently about the need to improve education for children with disabilities, and in

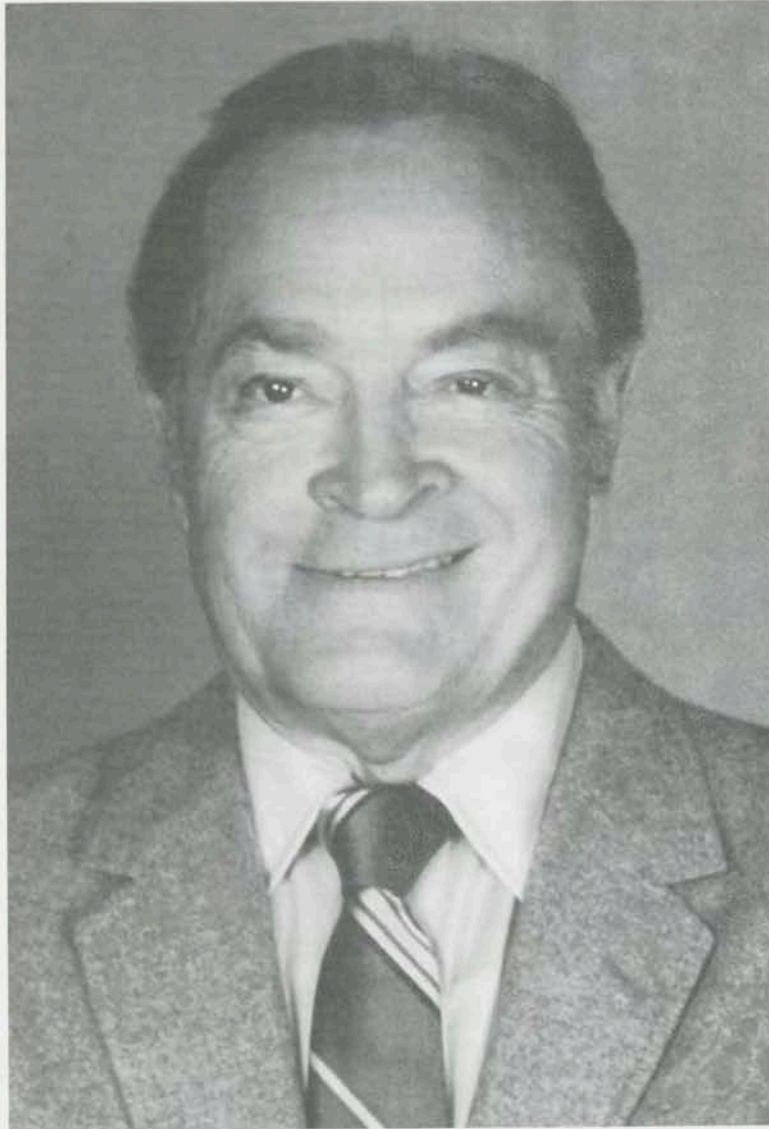
1975 Congress passed a national law, the Education of All Handicapped Children Act, which ensures that children with disabilities have the same educational opportunities as all children. In July 1993, Senator Dole introduced a bill requiring the Secretary of State to examine discrimination against people with disabilities in the annual report on human rights, which received broad bipartisan support. Under Senator Dole's leadership, Congress has made many important contributions in other areas, as well, including housing, transportation, assistive technology, and help to families of people with disabilities. Also, in 1983, Senator Dole created the Dole Foundation, which to date has awarded over \$5 million in grants. Also, he has been interested and active in various local and national community outreach programs.

On April 14, 1994, which marked the 25th anniversary of his first major Senate speech, Senator Dole rose before the Senate and called for a National Commission on the Future of Disability, to examine and evaluate the nation's disability programs. For many years he has worked tirelessly on behalf of the disabled, to help foster their independence, dignity, and security. In fact, his efforts are the foundation for the Americans with Disabilities Act, a sweeping law to promote equal opportunity and full participation.

While clearly a champion of the disabled, Senator Dole also speaks for all Americans. As the new Senate Majority Leader he speaks of limited government, demanding a nation with fewer federal programs, more power to the states, and more freedom for individuals. He advocates a balanced budget amendment, the roll back of oppressive regulation, the line item veto, and term limits, as do most Americans. Senator Dole also favors the abolition of four cabinet departments (Education, HUD, Energy, and Commerce), which he feels are ineffective, burdensome, and meddling. But most of all, Senator Bob Dole believes in the American people. He has an undying faith in our people and the power of our ideas. Ideas like freedom, self government, and self-determination. And he knows that families, communities, and businesses are the true source of our nation's energy.

Senator Dole was born in Russell, Kansas, and is married to Elizabeth Hanford Dole, President of the American Red Cross. Senator Dole has a daughter, Robin, who resides in Washington, DC.

Because of his 45 years of public service and his selfless devotion to his country and to all Americans, the USO of Metropolitan Washington is proud to honor Senator Bob Dole with its 1995 Service Award.



BOB HOPE
USO OF METROPOLITAN WASHINGTON
MERIT AWARD
1995

In the entire history of show business, no individual has traveled so far — so often — to entertain so many as comedian Bob Hope. Nor has any entertainer been acclaimed for his talents and humanitarian efforts by so many — so often. When presenting Hope with the nation's highest award, the Congressional Gold Medal, President Kennedy called Bob "America's most prized ambassador of good will throughout the world." At 91 when one should think of slowing down a little, "Rapid Robert" still maintains a very active and busy schedule.

Born Leslie Townes Hope in Eltham, England, May 29, 1903, he was the fifth of seven sons of William Henry Hope, a stonemason, and Avis Hope, a former concert singer. His family moved to Cleveland, Ohio in 1907 where 13 years later he would become a naturalized U.S. citizen. During his school years he worked as a delivery boy, a soda fountain clerk, and a shoe salesman. He also tried amateur boxing under the name of Packy East, and worked briefly as a newspaper reporter.

His first professional stage appearance was in a dancing act hastily put together just for a Fatty Arbuckle show in Cleveland. Vaudeville called — and Hope answered. From comedy bits, dance routines, singing and even saxophone playing, Bob Hope traveled the vaudeville circuit. After being booked into the Stratford Theatre in Chicago for three days — and staying six months — in 1932 he finally landed on Broadway in "Ballyhoo." After a succession of New York hits that included "Ziegfeld Follies" and "Roberta," his radio career was launched on Rudy Vallee's Thursday night program. He became star of his own radio show in 1938, and on May 6, 1941, Hope went to March field near Riverside, California, where he performed for a group of airmen. For the next seven years Hope performed 1,145 radio programs at military bases around the country, and also did many special broadcasts for Armed Forces Radio Network.

In 1948, Hope began what was to become a Christmas custom, when he went to Berlin to put on several shows for our GI's. The following year Hope and a troupe of Hollywood performers entertained GI's in Alaska — and the rest is history. From the Pacific in 1950 to the Orient in 1957; England in 1954 to Greenland in 1961; and in Vietnam every year from 1964 to 1972, Bob Hope has been there to support the troops. His last trip

into a combat zone was just four years ago, when he traveled to the Middle East during Operation Desert Storm. Bob has also made many trips to military bases and veterans' hospitals here in the United States, not only at Christmas time, but throughout the year. For over 45 years Bob Hope has been a true friend and supporter to every military man and woman who has served their country.

Through the years, Bob Hope has received an incredible array of awards and academic degrees. The awards and citations Bob has received for his humanitarian and professional efforts number well over a thousand — he is the most decorated civilian in the United States. In addition to the Congressional Gold Medal (at this time, only the third civilian in history to be so honored), he has received the Medal of Freedom, the Medal of Merit, the George C. Marshall Award, the Distinguished Service Medal, and the Distinguished Public Service Medal by the U. S. Department of Defense (the highest award the military can bestow upon a civilian), to name only a few.

A number of "firsts" have also come his way. The National Space Club, Washington, D.C. established its "Freedom Through Knowledge Award" and presented the first one to Bob. The Dutch Treat Club of New York, whose members represent all the arts, gave him their First Annual Rube Goldberg Award. The International Congress of Little League Baseball presented him with the "Man of Humanity Award," the first ever given by the organization.

In addition, he received a gold card life membership in the stage hands union, IATSE Local No. 33; the Lions International "Humanitarian Award"; Department of New York Catholic War Veterans' "Americanism Award"; the Boy Scout "Oscar"; the Army "Oscar"; and awards from the American Bar Association and the Exchange Club.

Looking back through the years, he was elected the first honorary member of Harvard's Hasty Pudding Theatricals. He has received the Herbert Hoover Memorial Award from the Boys Clubs of America and the B'nai B'rith "Man of the Year" award. His awards also include the USO Gold Medal; the Peabody Award; the Patriot's Award, from the Congressional Medal of Honor Society; a special Oscar; an Emmy; Philadelphia's Poor Richard Award; innumerable plaques for War Bond service from the Treasury Department; the top civilian awards given by the

services — Army, Navy and Air Force; and the Murray-Green AFL-CIO Award. "Bob Hope Day" has been proclaimed in numerous cities throughout the United States and he has received the highest honors the broadcasting industry's International Radio and Television Society and National Association of Broadcasters can bestow, as well as innumerable awards from a host of civic and charitable organizations. He has been awarded many honorary academic degrees, including Doctorates from such prestigious universities as Georgetown, Ohio State, Northwestern and Brown.

Bob Hope has starred in television shows, Broadway, radio, over 50 motion pictures, and is the author of ten books. He has millions of air miles and entertained millions of people in dozens of countries. With all that, he has still found time for a round of golf, and the love of his life, his wife Dolores Reade. Bob and Dolores have four children and four grandchildren.

Bob Hope has been hailed as the "only performer who has triumphed in all five major show business media: vaudeville,

stage, radio, motion pictures and television." He has "become a charter member of the American family, a welcome guest in every living room." His name on any billboard spells "entertainment" for any audience. It is extremely doubtful if anyone in the annals of show business ever made a more endearing hit than Hope did in the moment when he stepped before American servicemen, sick for home, and quipped: "Hi, fellow tourists." It has been said of Hope that "if he could live his life over again — he wouldn't have time." Or, in the words of John Steinbeck, concerning Hope: "This man drives himself and is driven. It is impossible to see how he can do so much, can cover so much ground, can work so hard and be so effective. There's a man. There is really a man."

For his selfless and tireless works on behalf of many charities Bob Hope clearly meets the criteria for the USO-Metro Merit Award: a person of outstanding creative talents who is dedicated to serving others through volunteerism. The USO of Metropolitan Washington is exceptionally proud and truly honored to salute Mr. Hope as our 1995 Merit Award winner.

USO OF METROPOLITAN WASHINGTON SERVICE AND MERIT AWARDS

FORMER RECIPIENTS

1982	Mrs. Ronald Reagan
1984	Mrs. James Brady Ms. Elizabeth Taylor
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1991	Secretary Richard B. Cheney
1992	Congressman John P. Murtha Mr. Marvin Hamlish
1993	Congressman Jack Brooks Mr. Kevin Dobson
1994	Speaker Thomas S. Foley Mr. Steven Seagal

C. HASKELL SMALL AWARD FOR VOLUNTEERISM

The *C. Haskell Small Award for Volunteerism* is presented each year to an active duty serviceman or woman in the Washington metropolitan community in recognition of volunteer efforts performed during periods of military off-duty hours. A fund established in 1984 with board contributions and a grant from the Suevia and Rudolph B. Behrend Foundation, perpetuates Colonel Small's memory, honors his patriotism, dedication to duty and exemplary life of volunteer service.

The award is granted annually to a local, active duty enlisted man or woman selected from nominations placed by all five branches of the U.S. Armed Forces.

Each nominee must—

- demonstrate a history of noteworthy volunteer achievement for one or more charitable organizations,
- perform such volunteer service independent of military duty, and
- possess an outstanding military record.

C. HASKELL SMALL

A native of Savannah, Georgia, Colonel Small first came to Washington in 1940 under military orders. His wartime experiences and subsequent reserve duty—where he rose to the rank of Colonel—led to his affection for the USO. A man devoted to his wife, Ruth, and family, he demonstrated his love for his "extended family" in the community through tireless volunteer service to the USO of Metropolitan Washington and other organizations.

Serving as president of USO-Metro from 1971-72, his generosity motivated his active involvement with other organizations as well, including the boards of the Washington Arts Club, Columbia Lighthouse for the Blind, Lions Club, National Chorale Foundation, Washington Opera, and the Jewish Historical Society. He served as a member of the USO World Board of Governors from 1975 until his death in 1984.



ANTHONY R. GILLESPIE

Staff Sergeant
United States Marine Corps
1995 C. Haskell Small Award
for Volunteerism

The USO of Metropolitan Washington is proud to honor Staff Sergeant Anthony R. Gillespie for his superlative record of voluntary community service. Staff Sergeant Gillespie is the Information Systems Management Officer for The Basic School, located at Marine Corps Base Quantico, Virginia. He enlisted in the Marine Corps in 1981.

Over the past three years, Staff Sergeant Gillespie has unselfishly given of himself in numerous community service organizations and has volunteered for projects that have had a lasting, positive impact on many military personnel and civilians. He serves as both the Cubmaster and as the Leader of a Cub Scout Wolf and a Cub Scout Bear Den aboard Marine Corps Base Quantico. This is a volunteer position that requires an enormous amount of time to plan and execute the events of a Cub Scout pack that currently has over 120 scouts, boys ranging from seven to eleven years of age. His many annual projects include taking the Quantico Scouts to Camp Goshen for a week of summer Cub Scout training, and being the coordinator and sponsor for visiting Boy Scout troops that come to Quantico for camping and sightseeing in the Washington area. This latter activity requires him to coordinate camping and dining facilities, hikes, transportation and tours of Quantico and its facilities. His efforts directly enhance the quality of Cub Scout life and promote harmonious relations with the civilian community from both local and neighboring areas.

Staff Sergeant Gillespie also helps coordinate the annual Family Service Center and the Navy and Marine Corps Relief Society food drives aboard Quantico. A portion of the collected food is also distributed to local Action in the Community Through Services (ACTS) houses in

Prince William County. In 1994 alone, over 4,000 pounds of food was collected and distributed to help Marines and their families.

Staff Sergeant Gillespie has also volunteered his time to support the Deep Run Lodge, a youth drug and alcohol rehabilitation camp located in Fredericksburg, Virginia. Operating under a limited budget, this camp requires constant volunteer maintenance and cleaning to remain operational. As a utility engineer by military occupational specialty, Staff Sergeant Gillespie has utilized his technical knowledge to defray the cost of hiring a contractor, thereby saving funds which were spent directly on training and rehabilitation activities.

Staff Sergeant Gillespie is a member of the Lynchburg Detachment's Marine Corps League. For the past three years, he has volunteered to stand in a 24-hour Memorial Day vigil to honor fallen, former and current veterans. As a League member, he routinely organizes visits for former Marines to come to Quantico and tour the base and its facilities.

Staff Sergeant Gillespie was born in Quantico, Virginia in August of 1962. After attending schools in Italy, North Carolina and South Carolina, Sergeant Gillespie graduated from E.C. Glass High School in Lynchburg, Virginia. He enlisted in the Marine Corps Reserve in February 1981, and completed recruit training at Parris Island as a meritoriously promoted Private First Class. He reenlisted in 1983 and was assigned to duty at Camp Lejeune, North Carolina.

After serving at Camp Lejeune, Staff Sergeant Gillespie was transferred to Okinawa, Japan. He returned from Okinawa in 1985 as a Sergeant for his first of two tours at The Basic School, Quantico, Virginia. In November 1987, Sergeant Gillespie was ordered to recruiting duty, where he was

meritoriously promoted to Staff Sergeant in October 1989. Upon successful completion of recruiting duty, Staff Sergeant Gillespie was transferred to Iwakuni, Japan, where he participated in operations "Jigsaw" and "Fiery Vigil." Staff Sergeant Gillespie was reassigned to the Basic School in December 1992 and assumed duties as a Platoon Commander in the Enlisted Instructor Company until transfer to his current assignment as the Information Systems Management Officer. His future goals include application for the Warrant Officer Program, and pursuit of a Masters Degree in Information Systems.

Staff Sergeant Gillespie's military decorations include The Navy Marine Corps Achievement Medal, Good Conduct Medal, Sea service

deployment ribbon, Marine SCUBA device, and the National Defense Medal. He is married to the former Suzanne Carter of Lynchburg. They have two children, John and Laura.

Staff Sergeant Gillespie personifies the term Marine and community volunteer. He expects nothing in return for his efforts and frequently downplays his involvement. His usual reply to questions concerning his volunteer activities is, "I am simply trying to make it better." His military record is exemplary and stands distinctly on its merits.

Staff Sergeant Gillespie's exceptional desire and motivation to improve his community and his outstanding performance in the U.S. Marine Corps make him an ideal recipient of the 1995 USO-Metro C. Haskell Small Award for Volunteerism.

C. HASKELL SMALL AWARD FOR VOLUNTEERISM

FORMER RECIPIENTS

- 1984 Airman First Class Mark R. Puffer, USAF
- 1986 Sergeant Major Walter C. Knauss, USA
- 1987 Intelligence Specialist First Class
Vernon Dean Hanson, USN
- 1988 Intelligence Specialist Second Class
Christopher L. Webster, USN
- 1989 Chief Master Sergeant Roger D. McGrady, USAF
- 1990 Petty Officer Second Class
Irene M. Wallingford, USCG
- 1991 Sergeant First Class Terry A. Lee, USA
- 1992 Petty Officer First Class
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"I don't think this is what they had in mind when they said, 'Hollywood Goes To War.' Here I am with Jerry Colonna and Brenda and Cobina at one of the camp shows during World War II."

... BOB HOPE

Special Salute

In addition to honoring three exceptional Americans who embody the spirit of public service and volunteerism, USO-Metro will also commemorate the anniversary of the end of World War II. USO-Metro will salute all of those who served during the war by recognizing three World War II Medal of Honor recipients. Colonel Van T. Barfoot, U.S. Army (Retired), received his Medal of Honor for actions near Carano, Italy on May 23rd, 1944. Corporal Richard E. Bush, U. S. Marine Corps, received his for heroism against enemy forces on Okinawa on April 16th, 1945. And retired Navy Rear Admiral Eugene B. Fluckey received his Medal of Honor as a result of actions off the coast of China in January 1945. The USO of Metropolitan Washington proudly salutes these three American heroes as representatives of all those who so valiantly served their country during the Second World War.

Awards

Distinguished by flawless craftsmanship and centuries-old glass cutting techniques, each piece of Steuben lead crystal presented here tonight is made in the USA. Neiman Marcus Mazza Galleria has graciously donated the three exceptional artworks that are being presented to tonight's USO-Metro honorees. Each piece is designed in celebration of our country.

Through a pattern of stars and stripes within a cut crystal, "Old Glory," created by designer Paul Schulze in 1985, illustrates America's belief in liberty and freedom. Two pieces of this brilliant design are being presented tonight.

Designed by David Dowler in 1991, the third piece, "Star Spangled Banner," is an exquisite representation of American pride. Past recipients of this cast crystal sculpture of a billowing flag include Presidents George Bush and Bill Clinton, Generals H. Norman Schwarzkopf and Colin L. Powell, Secretary of Defense Dick Cheney, King Hussein of Jordan, and King Juan Carlos and Queen Sofia of Spain.

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You are the lifeblood of our organization! Whatever you like to do, whether you are a civilian or military service member or spouse, if you care deeply about young people and their families far from home in need of friendship and fellowship, there are opportunities for service at USO-Metro. Volunteer openings exist at airport assistance desks, family service centers, and administrative headquarters. Please phone 703-696-2552. During 1994 approximately 900 volunteers provided over 25,000 hours of service to the USO of Metropolitan Washington. Won't you join us soon?

TEAMWORK, DEDICATION, COMMITMENT: HALLMARKS OF USO-METRO'S CARING PROGRAMS FOR THE NINETIES

For fifty-four years, the USO of Metropolitan Washington has "served those who serve... and their families." Now, more than ever, teamwork is an essential part of USO-Metro's ability to deliver quality services for military personnel and their families. Our success depends on the teamwork that links the military and the civilian communities.

Key players on our USO-Metro team include area military commanders, coordinators and directors of the many human and social services offices, military hospital patient representatives, and chaplains within each of the five service branches. The military knows it can rely on USO-Metro's staff to provide quick, dependable action, coupled with genuine care and concern for the military and family members in need.

Mobilization of our team to handle a crisis situation involves the volunteer support and participation of the civilian community as well, particularly in USO-Metro's Emergency Housing Program. Since its inception in 1986, the program has continued to expand to fill the growing need. Currently, six area apartment realty firms donate 25 units that are in constant rotation. Each year more than 50 families in crisis situations will be placed in our emergency housing.

From Baltimore, Maryland to Quantico, Virginia, USO-Metro's comprehensive human services programs and activities are an integral part of the vast Washington military community. With nearly 100,000 active duty personnel stationed here, plus their spouses and family members, our programs reach out to over 300,000 people, yearly.

Our Food Assistance Program, Educational Scholarships, Mobile Outreach and Family Support Centers, Job Fairs, Ticketline, Holiday Programs, Newcomer Orientations, and the distribution of our Guide To Washington offer a measure of peace of mind while helping to improve the quality of life for those in greatest need. Additionally, responding to the needs of the fastest growing segment of the military population, its children, is of increasing importance to us.

Our dedicated Board of Directors, Senior Enlisted Advisory Council (SEAC), military and civilian volunteers, business leaders, and government officials are the power behind our team. The generosity of so many individuals, foundations, corporations, associations, and the United Way and Combined Federal Campaigns assures our success. Together we will continue to work to improve and expand our programs. Our program goals remain firm: to enhance, not duplicate, military human services to meet the ever-changing needs of today's military population. We welcome your participation as an important member of our team.

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Timely USO-Metro services meet dozens of human services needs with programs such as:

- Emergency Housing—provided for military families in extreme emergency situations (for example, personnel in severe financial crisis due to relocation, or med-evaced to Washington's military hospitals for emergency care) by USO-Metro at no cost for up to 60 days
- Family Support Centers— four locations, staffed by military spouses and volunteers, provide outreach programs and services to young military families
- A Food Assistance Program— providing food and food certificates to those young families in need
- Information Programs—including USO-Metro's "Guide to Washington," a comprehensive compendium of useful facts for military and family members. Distributed free-of-charge, yearly, to 75,000 military personnel and family members
- Job Fairs for spouses, separating military personnel and their families. Jointly sponsored with the Joint Employment Transition Services (JETS)—covering all branches of the Armed Forces
- A yearly Scholarship Program for the children of active duty servicemembers based in the metropolitan area
- A 24-hour Ticketline supplying free seats to Washington's top cultural, sports, and recreational events
- Tours and Newcomer Orientations—in cooperation with area military commands
- Mobile Outreach Family Support—to outlying bases and areas
- Airport Welcoming and Assistance Centers—at National, BWI, and Andrews Air Force Base
- Holiday Programs—such as hundreds of donated hotel rooms for visiting family members of personnel stationed in the metro area at Christmas and a Mother's Day celebration and essay contest
- Hospital Visits—to veterans and military medical centers including a USO-Metro tradition, "The World's Longest Valentine," containing thousands of encouraging messages
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*You are recieving the Service Award. A Voluntarism award will also be given out. And they are still looking for a Hollywood "celebrity" to receive an award.

*The program is lengthy, and includes a military band, and recognition of three WWII Medal of Honor recipients.

*They are looking for 3-5 minutes of acceptance remarks after you receive your award.



Medal of Honor

COL Van T. Barfoot USA (Ret)
Army WWII 1944-05-23
157 INF/45 INF DIV: Carano IT



BARFOOT, VAN T.

Rank and organization: Second Lieutenant, U.S. Army, 157th Infantry, 45th Infantry Division. *Place and date:* Near Carano, Italy, 23 May 1944. *Entered service at:* Carthage, Miss. *Birth:* Edinburg, Miss. *G.O. No.:* 79, 4 October 1944. *Citation:* For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity at the risk of life above and beyond the call of duty on 23 May 1944, near Carano, Italy. With his platoon heavily engaged during an assault against forces well entrenched on commanding ground, 2d Lt. Barfoot (then Tech. Sgt.) moved off alone upon the enemy left flank. He crawled to the proximity of 1 machinegun nest and made a direct hit on it with a handgrenade, killing 2 and wounding 3 Germans. He continued along the German defense line to another machinegun emplacement, and with his tommygun killed 2 and captured 3 soldiers. Members of another enemy machinegun crew then abandoned their position and gave themselves up to Sgt. Barfoot. Leaving the prisoners for his support squad to pick up, he proceeded to mop up positions in the immediate area, capturing more prisoners and bringing his total count to 17. Later that day, after he had reorganized his men and consolidated the newly captured ground, the enemy launched a fierce armored counterattack directly at his platoon positions. Securing a bazooka, Sgt. Barfoot took up an exposed position directly in front of 3 advancing Mark VI tanks. From a distance of 75 yards his first shot destroyed the track of the leading tank, effectively disabling it, while the other 2 changed direction toward the flank. As the crew of the disabled tank dismounted, Sgt. Barfoot killed 3 of them with his tommygun. He continued onward into enemy terrain and destroyed a recently abandoned German fieldpiece with a demolition charge placed in the breach. While returning to his platoon position, Sgt. Barfoot, though greatly fatigued by his herculean efforts, assisted 2 of his seriously wounded men 1,700 yards to a position of safety. Sgt. Barfoot's extraordinary heroism, demonstration of magnificent valor, and aggressive determination in the face of pointblank fire are a perpetual inspiration to his fellow soldiers.

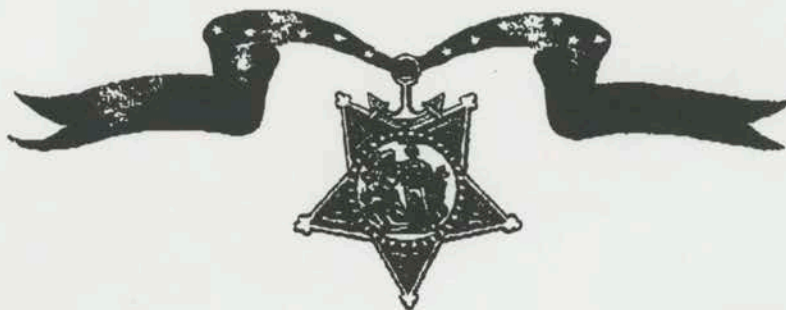
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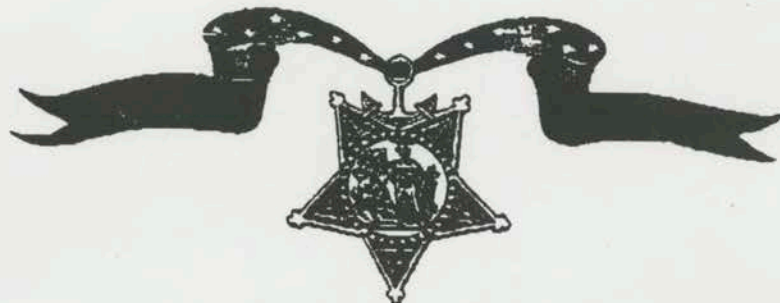
The President of the United States in the name of the Congress takes pleasure in presenting the Medal of Honor to

BUSH, RICHARD EARL
CORPORAL, USMC.

for service as set forth in the following

Citation:

“For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity at the risk of his life above and beyond the call of duty as a Squad Leader serving with the First Battalion, Fourth Marines, SIXTH Marine Division, in action against enemy Japanese forces, during the final assault against Mount Yaetake on Okinawa, Ryukyu Islands, 16 April 1945. Rallying his men forward with indomitable determination, Corporal Bush boldly defied the slashing fury of concentrated Japanese artillery fire pouring down from the gun-studded mountain fortress to lead his squad up the face of the rocky precipice, sweep over the ridge, and drive the defending troops from their deeply entrenched position. With his unit, the first to break through to the inner defense of Mount Yaetake, he fought relentlessly in the forefront of the action until seriously wounded and evacuated with others under protecting rocks. Although prostrate under medical treatment when a Japanese hand grenade landed in the midst of the group, Corporal Bush, alert and courageous in extremity as in battle, unhesitatingly pulled the deadly missile to himself and absorbed the shattering violence of the exploding charge in his own body, thereby saving his fellow Marines from severe injury or death despite the certain peril to his own life. By his valiant leadership and aggressive tactics in the face of savage opposition, Corporal Bush contributed materially to the success of the sustained drive toward the conquest of this fiercely defended outpost of the Japanese Empire. His constant concern for the welfare of his men, his resolute spirit of self-sacrifice, and his unwavering devotion to duty throughout the bitter conflict enhance and sustain the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service.”



The President of the United States

in the name of

The Congress

takes pleasure in presenting the

Medal of Honor

to

FLUCKEY, EUGENE BENNETT

Rank and organization: Commander, U.S. Navy, Commanding U.S.S. *Barb*. **Place and date:** Along coast of China, 19 December 1944 to 15 February 1945. **Entered service at:** Illinois. **Born:** 5 October 1913, Washington, D.C. **Other Navy award:** Navy Cross with 3 Gold Stars. **Citation:** For conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity at the risk of his life above and beyond the call of duty as commanding officer of the U.S.S. *Barb* during her 11th war patrol along the east coast of China from 19 December 1944 to 15 February 1945. After sinking a large enemy ammunition ship and damaging additional tonnage during a running 2-hour night battle on 8 January, Comdr. Fluckey, in an exceptional feat of brilliant deduction and bold tracking on 25 January, located a concentration of more than 30 enemy ships in the lower reaches of Nankuan Chiang (Mamkwan Harbor). Fully aware that a safe retirement would necessitate an hour's run at full speed through the uncharted, mined, and rock-obstructed waters, he bravely ordered, "Battle station—torpedoes!" In a daring penetration of the heavy enemy screen, and riding in 5 fathoms of water, he launched the *Barb's* last forward torpedoes at 3,000-yard range. Quickly bringing the ship's stern tubes to bear, he turned loose 4 more torpedoes into the enemy, obtaining 8 direct hits on 6 of the main targets to explode a large ammunition ship and cause inestimable damage by the resultant flying shells and other pyrotechnics. Clearing the treacherous area at high speed, he brought the *Barb* through to safety and 4 days later sank a large Japanese freighter to complete a record of heroic combat achievement, reflecting the highest credit upon Comdr. Fluckey, his gallant officers and men, and the U.S. Naval Service.

**THANK YOU VERY MUCH. IT'S A
PRIVILEGE TO ACCEPT THIS
AWARD, AND TO BE IN THE
COMPANY OF SO MANY TRUE
PATRIOTS.**

**AND I'M NOT JUST TALKING
ABOUT THE MEDAL OF HONOR
RECIPIENTS, OR THE MANY OTHER
MEMBERS OF OUR ARMED FORCES
HERE TONIGHT. ALTHOUGH, NO**

**DOUBT ABOUT IT, EACH OF THEM IS
A PATRIOT, AND EACH IS A HERO IN
MY BOOK.**

**I'M ALSO TALKING ABOUT THOSE
WHO GIVE FREELY OF THEIR TIME
AND MONEY TO THE U.S.O. FOR
OVER THE PAST 50 YEARS, JUST
ABOUT ANY PLACE IN THE WORLD
WHERE YOU FOUND AMERICA'S
MILITARY MEN AND WOMEN, YOU
ALSO FOUND THE USO.**

**AND, AS YOU WELL KNOW, YOU
CAN ALWAYS FIND A GREAT MANY
MILITARY MEN IN THE
WASHINGTON, D.C. AREA. I KNOW
THEY ARE GRATEFUL FOR THE
WORK AND THE COMMITMENT OF
THE HUNDREDS AND HUNDREDS OF
MEN AND WOMEN WHO
VOLUNTEER THEIR TIME TO THE
METROPOLITAN U.S.O.**

**NO DOUBT ABOUT IT, U.S.O.
STAFFERS AND VOLUNTEERS ARE
ALSO PATRIOTS IN MY BOOK.
AND WHEN I TALK ABOUT
PATRIOTS, I'M ALSO TALKING
ABOUT THOSE OF YOU HERE
TONIGHT WHO PAY YOUR TAXES,
WHO BELONG TO ORGANIZATIONS
LIKE THE ROTARY AND THE PTA,
WHO OBEY THE LAW, WHO RAISE
THEIR FAMILIES, AND WHO PASS**

**ALONG TO THEIR CHILDREN THE
VALUES THAT MADE AMERICA
GREAT: VALUES LIKE HONESTY,
HARD WORK, AND CIVILITY.**

**PRESIDENTS AND POLITICIANS
COME AND GO, BUT THOSE ARE
THE PATRIOTS...YOU ARE THE
PATRIOTS...THAT HAVE ALREADY
KEPT AMERICA MOVING FORWARD.**

**FINALLY, I DO WANT TO SHARE
WITH YOU SOME MEMORIES FROM**

**A TRIP I MADE LAST YEAR TO
EUROPE, FOR THE 50TH
ANNIVERSARY COMMEMORATION
OF D-DAY.**

**IT WAS A REMARKABLE
JOURNEY. AND WHILE I ENJOYED
THE TIME I SPENT WITH MY FELLOW
VETERANS, WHAT MOVED ME
MORE WAS TALKING WITH THE
CHILDREN AND GRANDCHILDREN
THAT MANY BROUGHT WITH THEM.**

**IT'S HARD TO IMAGINE YOUR
FATHER AS A 18 OR 19 YEAR
OLD...AND IT'S ALMOST
IMPOSSIBLE TO IMAGINE YOUR
GRANDFATHER AS A 18 OR 19
YEAR OLD. BUT THE FAMILIES
THAT VETERANS BROUGHT WITH
THEM WERE DOING JUST THAT--
MANY FOR THE FIRST TIME.**

**THEY REALIZED WHAT THEIR
FATHERS AND GRANDFATHERS HAD**

**DONE...THEY UNDERSTOOD THAT
THEY HAD RISKED THEIR LIVE FOR
DEMOCRACY..AND I THINK MANY
OF THEM WENT HOME MUCH
PROUDER OF OUR COUNTRY AND
MUCH MORE PATRIOTIC THAN
BEFORE THEY MADE THE TRIP.**

**THEY UNDERSTAND--AS WE ALL
DO HERE THIS EVENING--THAT
AMERICA IS THE GREATEST
COUNTRY ON EARTH, AND**

**WORKING TOGETHER AS
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