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## **Support U.S. Troops at Veteran's Day Celebrity Bartending Event in Palm Beach**

LAKE WORTH, FL (Nov. 2, 2015) – Palm Beach County veterans and radio personalities will become mixologists for the evening at a Nov. 11 fundraiser for Forgotten Soldiers Outreach, a nonprofit organization that since 2003 has sent more than 350,000 “We Care” packages to U.S. troops overseas.

The Veteran's Day event is being held from 5-7 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 11 at Nick & Johnnie's, 207 Royal Poinciana Way, Palm Beach, with all tips benefiting Forgotten Soldiers Outreach.

Celebrity bartenders will include retired U.S. Major Gen. Wayne P. Jackson; Former Sgt. Corey Goltz, U.S. Army 3<sup>rd</sup> Ranger Battalion; Former Officer Chad Jenkins, U.S Army 75<sup>th</sup> Ranger Regiment; Lorna O'Connell, from 100.3 FM Legendsradio.com; and Dia, from South Florida's 95.9 the Palm.

Guests will have the opportunity to sign cards and write notes of encouragement for some of the current recipients of the monthly “We Care” packages that Forgotten Soldiers Outreach will send to our troops for the holidays.

Author Tori Eversmann will be there signing copies of her book, *The Immortals*, donating 25% of that evening's sales to Forgotten Soldiers Outreach. Her debut novel explores the experiences of women in a New York town who come together to support each other on their emotional journeys as Army wives. Though the book is fiction, Mrs. Eversmann writes from personal experience. She is married to retired First Sergeant Matt Eversmann, a decorated military leader who survived capture in Somalia, and whose story was immortalized in the film *Black Hawk Down*. “

“We are so excited about the ‘A Hero's Toast’ celebrity bartending event, to be able to honor our veterans and those who serve, on this special day,” said Lynelle Zelnar, executive director and founder of Forgotten Soldiers Outreach. “Freedom is not free, and this offers a great way for the community to ‘toast’ our heroes and give thanks. As more and more of our soldiers deploy overseas, the need for financial support to ship our ‘We Care’ packages becomes more essential.”

Zelnar expressed thanks to Nick & Johnnie's for hosting the event, and to all the celebrities for donating their time. “Most importantly,” she said, “thank you to all who have served, serve and will serve our great country.”

Guests also can buy tickets that evening for A Hero's Toast, the inaugural champagne brunch for Forgotten Soldiers Outreach, set for Dec. 8 at The Colony hotel in Palm Beach.

For more information, please visit [www.forgottensoldiers.org](http://www.forgottensoldiers.org).

**Caption:** A Hero's Toast committee members met at Forgotten Soldiers Outreach headquarters recently to finalize plans for the Nov. 11 and Dec. 8 fundraising events. They are, from left, Lisa Archer, James Sugarman, Joyce Reingold, Theresa LePore, Lynelle Zelnar and Cheryl Clopton. Not pictured: Carmine Tirone, Maureen Tirone and Nancy Rollins

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**About Forgotten Soldiers Outreach:** Since 2003, Forgotten Soldiers Outreach, a non-profit organization, has provided over 350,000 “We Care” packages including letters of encouragement to deployed service members serving in the U.S. military. Our primary focus is to provide men and women who receive little or no support from the home front with monthly “We Care” packages. Forgotten Soldiers Outreach is committed to our U.S. servicemen and women in all world theaters, for as long as they are deployed.