

The Armed Forces Foundation Honors Ron White at Comedy Benefit Show

Comedian Honored with The Armed Forces Foundation “Patriot Award” for Outstanding Service to the Military Community

Washington, D.C. / March 15, 2009 – The Armed Forces Foundation (AFF) honored comedian Ron White, of "Blue Collar Comedy" fame for his hard work and outstanding dedication to our troops by presenting him with The Armed Forces Foundation's "Patriot Award" at a benefit show he put on in Washington D.C.

Mr. White is a veteran of the United States Navy and has demonstrated his devotion to supporting our military community through his words and actions for years. In addition to his USO tour, his numerous visits to our wounded troops at Walter Reed Army Medical Center (WRAMC), and various other military bases, Mr. White has played a crucial role in helping the AFF achieve its mission of supporting our fighting men and women and their families. On March 15, Mr. White was joined by comedians Dave Attell, Kathleen Madigan, Alex Reymundo, Drew Hastings, and Pat Dixon for a night of comedy and charity. All proceeds from the show went to benefit the Armed Forces Foundation.

When discussing the fundraising event Mr. White said: "As a Veteran myself, I consider it an honor and a privilege to give back however I can, for the many sacrifices of these incredibly brave men and women." Armed Forces Foundation President and Executive Director Patricia Driscoll said: "It's great to be working with Ron again; you know you can count on him to put his money where his mouth is. He doesn't just talk about supporting the troops he goes out there and he does it. The Armed Forces Foundation is lucky to have such a close relationship with him."

In 2001 the Armed Forces Foundation (AFF) was established as a 501(c)3 organization under the U.S. Department of Defense's *America Supports You* program. AFF offers vital assistance to active-duty and retired personnel, National Guard, Reserve Components and military families as they cope with difficult circumstances. Through a multitude of programs the Armed Forces Foundation assists military families with utilities and rent; hotel and travel costs; holiday gifts for military children; and therapeutic recreational activities. The Armed Forces Foundation has been recognized by the President of the United States, the Department of Defense, the Department of Veterans Affairs, the Department of Education and the Department of Energy for its dedication to America's Service Members. For more information on our Foundation or to aid us in our mission please visit us at our website www.armedforcesfoundation.org.

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