WWP News & Media: Veteran Group Outings, Charity Events, Helping Vets

## Magician Hosts Go-Kart Race to Support Veterans' Charity

LAS VEGAS, Dec. 6, 2017 /PRNewswire-USNewswire/ -- Whether it's young entrepreneurs, college students, or corporate executives, the supporters of Wounded Warrior Project<sup>®</sup> (WWP) come from all walks of life. Big or small, their support enables WWP to connect wounded veterans with programs and services that empower them to live their lives on their terms. Recently, Las Vegas-based magician Mike Hammer hosted a celebrity go-kart race to raise awareness and support for the warriors WWP serves.

Mike's father served in the military – in 1958, he was deployed to Korea. That service, along with Mike's prior philanthropic work in the Las Vegas community, moved him to give back to WWP.

"I first heard of Wounded Warrior Project when I volunteered my time to meet up with some wounded veterans and show them close-up magic," Mike said. "I performed card tricks and some other tricks I like to do during acts. We got to talking about our backgrounds, and they spoke of their service. I was very impressed with the stories of these veterans and what they had been through. I wanted to do something for them and make a difference."

The racing event featured "America's Got Talent" contestant "Tape Face," Lance Burton, Robin Leach, Flavor Flav, Dirk Vermin, and many other notable local celebrities. The race pitted them against each other in a fun, family-friendly race, with bragging rights to the winner. Attendees enjoyed food and performances from Mike and other entertainers.

"One of the most amazing guests we had was a World War II veteran who was one of the original Tuskegee Airmen, Lt. Col. Theodore Lumpkin," Mike said. "I was so proud that we were able to raise some funds and awareness for a great veterans' charity like Wounded Warrior Project."

Thanks to generous donors, WWP is able to serve warriors by connecting them with one another and their communities and focusing on mental and physical health and wellness, financial wellness, independence, government relations, and community relations and partnerships.

To check out Mike's act in Las Vegas, visit <a href="https://mikehammershow.com/the-show">https://mikehammershow.com/the-show</a>. And to learn more about how WWP's programs and services connect, serve, and empower wounded warriors, visit <a href="http://newsroom.woundedwarriorproject.org">http://newsroom.woundedwarriorproject.org</a>.

## **About Wounded Warrior Project**

Wounded Warrior Project<sup>®</sup> (WWP) connects, serves, and empowers wounded warriors. Read more at http://newsroom.woundedwarriorproject.org/about-us.

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