

From the Editor

Some celebrities jump on bandwagons when it's the popular thing to do, hoping to garner more publicity for themselves or their newest project. Then, there are true patriots like Gary Sinise. We recently discussed with him why he commits so much of his time to supporting the military and their families. He volunteers from his heart, and does not bring along an entourage and cameras wherever he goes. Check out our exclusive interview on page 8.

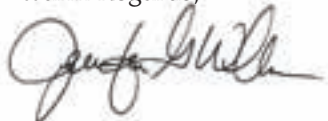
Gary Sinise and other celebrities have been volunteering with the USO for nearly 70 years. We take a look back at the origins of the organization and where it stands today, on page 12.

With summer fast approaching, military families are looking to PCS or take a much-needed vacation. Check out our special summer travel package, with tips on getting the best military discounts to finding great getaways near your current or upcoming duty station. We also discuss vacationing with pets—should you take them with you or leave them behind? We look at what to do in either situation. Our special summer travel coverage starts on page 14.

Did you know that current and former military athletes competed in this year's Winter Olympics in Vancouver? Check out our newest feature, Your Sports, where we take a closer look at these dedicated athletes.

As always, feel free to contact me at JenniferW@AmeriForce.net with any story ideas you'd like to see in our magazine.

Warm Regards,



Jennifer G. Williams, Editor



Gary Sinise is known for his many roles, including Lt. Dan Taylor in the 1994 movie *Forrest Gump*. His current starring role is as Detective Mac Taylor on *CSI: NY*, which airs on the CBS Television Network. Cover photo by Matt Dinerstein/CBS ©2007 CBS Broadcasting Inc. All Rights Reserved.



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