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Hollywood Knights Celebrity Basketball Team Scores with Service Members in Italy

ARLINGTON, Va. – The **Hollywood Knights Celebrity Basketball Team** will travel to Italy on a USO/Armed Forces Entertainment tour, October 13 – 22. Comprising eight of today's most recognizable television, film, and music personalities, the team will compete against our nation's finest in four tournament games, sign autographs and participate in meet and greets. The celebrity lineup will include:

- **Ryan Cabrera:** Pop rock musician who has released three albums, which included the Billboard Top 40 hit "On the Way Down"
- **Michael Copon:** 'Mathayus' in the feature film "The Scorpion King 2: Rise of A Warrior" and also co-starred on the hit television series "One Tree Hill"
- **Wesley Jonathan:** Starred as 'Gary Thorpe' for four seasons on the hit TV series "What I like About You" and in the feature films "Roll Bounce" and "Crossover"
- James Kyson Lee: 'Ando Masahashi' on NBC's "Heroes"
- Johnny Pacar: Starring in the ABC Family Channel series "Make It or Break It" and "Flight 29 Down"
- Justice Smith: Starring in the second season of the NBC series "American Gladiators"
- **Travis Van Winkle:** 'Trent' in the box office hit "Friday the 13th" and also co-starred in feature films "Transformers" and "Meet the Spartans"
- Wolf: A well known professional athlete starring in his second season of the NBC series "American Gladiators"

"Teaming with the USO to bring our support and the spirit of competition to troops is as exciting for us as it is for service members," said Michael Mirisch, Hollywood Knights CEO. "It's a win, win for everyone."

Formed in 1978, the Hollywood Knights basketball team (www.HollywoodKnights.com) has brought together countless celebrities to support worthy causes, raising both awareness and funds. Top of the list of charities they support is the USO. This trip marks the third tour for the Knights, in March 2009 the team traveled to Hawaii, where they touched the lives of more than 1,900 service members and their families.

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