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April 17, 2008

Mayr Malool and I have been sending care packages to soldiers for years now. It started with a friend who wrote and asked me to send a card to her cousin who was in Iraq on his first Christmas away from home. I ended up sending a few boxes of cookies and snack foods as well as some cheeses and holiday-type goodies for him and his buddies to

thank me and told me how much his unit appreciated it and that

so much that I decided to do more. I asked friends and neighbors to help and asked some World War II vets I know to help me pay for my "Support Our Troops" effort began.

A friend I asked for donations was Pam Fentress, who is a member of

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acid Jaycees. Pam took my request to the Jaycees and they

donated \$500. To date they have given more than \$2,000, and

h various other friends and neighbors, we have sent 12 differen

3 care packages filled with cookies, candy, coffee, beef jerky,

d gobs of other treats from home. My Avon lady, Jeannie Fullar

zens of lip balms, antiperspirants, moisturizers and bug guard/

each time I ask for a donation! Everyone has been very supportive.

was told about a Web site called [AnySoldier.com](#) and went online to

. There you can get the names of soldiers to send packages to. I

our readers to adopt a soldier and join the rest of us in supporting

brave young Americans. For those who normally donate money to

ctions, I say use that money instead to support our troops, and by all

the politicians know that this year your money will be spent on these

Americans, as I believe that will send a message to Washington! Your

contact me if they need help in this effort at 863-699-5825.

packages we send are a small way of thanking these brave young

he sacrifices they are making everyday, the difficult job they are

in the most inhospitable places and weather. I pray that God will

and keep them in His care and bring them home to their families

I support the politicians who start wars, but I support our troops

edly and am so thankful for their bravery and their willingness to

epresent the U.S.A. in such honorable ways. God bless them all!

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