



# Christopher Jurevich's Emerald Star Project Care Packages for Active Military

in coordination with VFW Post #9242 (Hollister)

**Bring donations to 4H Achievement Night 10/28**  
**Drop off locations: McAbee Feed & Nino Real Estate**

What the Troops Ask For (updated Friday, August 2018 from overseas)

*(Our dining facility has stopped carrying some of these items, and our BX has stopped as well. Thank you as always for your outstanding support! ~v/r MSgt Matt ----)*

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• \$25 VISA and M/C gift cards (gives them maximum flexibility, for WIFI, etc)</li><li>• Personal hygiene items(unscented whenever possible)</li><li>• Wet wipes, individually wrapped</li><li>• Disposable razors (men's and women's)</li><li>• Chap sticks</li><li>• Body wash, lotion, face wash, mouth wash, deodorant, Q-tips, shampoo, conditioner</li><li>• Foot powder and the like</li><li>• <b>Feminine products</b> (unscented whenever possible)</li><li>• Small packs of napkins and tampons</li><li>• Female version of body wash, lotion, razors, face wash, mouth wash, deodorant, Q-tips, hair de-tangler, face moisturizer, shampoo, conditioner</li><li>• Small grooming kits</li><li>• Laundry PODS packed in a sturdy plastic or metal container.</li><li>• Sunscreen</li><li>• Magazines, Coloring books</li><li>• Colored pencils</li><li>• <b>Fun posters</b> and calendars for dressing the place up</li><li>• AA batteries</li><li>• AAA batteries</li><li>• Movies and music on thumb drives only ("USB devises are cool to send movies and current shows on in digital form! Just please keep them virus free.") <b>CDs, DVDs, and tapes are useless.</b></li><li>• Taco sauce packets (Taco Bell)</li><li>• Red Pepper flakes (Round Table Pizza)</li></ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Beef jerky</li><li>• Hard candy</li><li>• Gum – all flavors</li><li>• Protein Bars (Quest/Mission 1/Combat Crunch; cookies and cream/chocolate)</li><li>• Protein Mixer Bottles/Shakers</li><li>• Multi-tools</li><li>• 3M Sticky Wall Hooks</li><li>• Hand Sanitizer</li><li>• Cookies, crackers</li><li>• Corn nuts</li><li>• Rice Krispy Treats</li><li>• Slim Jims</li><li>• Granola and other snack bars</li><li>• Nuts other than peanuts in re-sealable containers</li><li>• Dried fruits in re-sealable containers</li><li>• Tins and packets of flavored coffee and cappuccino</li><li>• Breath mints</li><li>• Liquid creamers in little plastic cups with a foil top packed in a sturdy plastic or metal container.</li><li>• 2 GB + USB memory sticks (thumb drives) (blank)</li></ul> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>No-No's</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• No pressurized product (aerosol shave cream etc.)</li><li>• No cocoa</li></ul> |
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## What the troops say:

### Care Packages Make a Huge Morale and Effectiveness Difference!

- ❖ "Our base has also stopped the re-supply of candy and snacks at our dining facility, due to budget cuts and mission needs."
- ❖ "Our boxes are not handled nicely and are stacked in containers about 20 deep so you can imagine what the bottom one may look like when we finally get it."
- ❖ "Books, sadly who reads anymore. Bored troops still do, but not in great numbers. Popular series and authors are best, romance novels are not that great unless someone asks for them."
- ❖ "Please do not send troops a lot of melty things like chocolate from 1 April to 1 October. **Chocolate Bunnies and Peeps die in the mail in alarming numbers.** We currently have 2 solid 3 pound blocks of gummy bears."
- ❖ "Any female Hygiene products would be greatly appreciated: body wash, lotion, razors, panty liners, face wash, mouth wash, deodorant, tampons, Qtips, hair detangler, face moisturizer, shampoo, conditioner, baby wipes. Any of the above would be greatly appreciated! Thank you!"
- ❖ "Mint, butterscotch, and cinnamon disks are the **last things to be eaten** from a box of candy, or at least there's always those 3 items that are last in the bottom of the community candy box."
- ❖ "**Beef Jerky rules!** Slim Jims are ok too, but not if you are on a diet."
- ❖ "**Dried fruits and tree nuts are awesome!** No peanuts. Think almonds, cashews, cranberries, cherries, and blueberries."
- ❖ "**Easy open cans or pouches** of things -- not everyone has a can opener"
- ❖ "Pre-loaded visa or other such cards to pay for WIFI (about \$50 a month)"
- ❖ "**Liquid creamers are AWESOME** (little plastic cup with a foil top), but they make a terrible mess if they are busted, so need to be in a sturdy outer (plastic, metal) container."
- ❖ "**Laundry PODS are awesome** since I have to do my own laundry here. They make a terrible mess if they are busted, so need to be in a sturdy outer (plastic, metal) container."

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