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Veteran and his brother give back to the troops

From staff reports

An upcoming festival will satisfy a Cadillac craving while helping out soldiers overseas.

Soldiers R U.S., a nonprofit organization, has been raising money through charity events the last six years with the proceeds going toward care packages for soldiers. Benjamin Moline, chairman of Soldiers R U.S. and the marketing and entertainment

director of Windy City Media, helped organize the inaugural Route 66 Cadillac Music Fest, to take place this weekend.

Moline, a veteran himself, knows troops appreciate the packages helping boost their morale while they are away from home.

Although this is the first time Moline is doing the Cadillac Music Fest, it is something he would like to see continue in the future.

Matt Moline, Benjamin's brother, is on

the Board of Directors for Soldiers R U.S., and is happy to be a part of this event.

"I like doing non-for-profit events because it's more about giving back to others and in this case, the troops," Matt Moline said. "They are putting their lives on the line and this is a great way to give back to them."

Matt Moline hopes to continue this fest as a way to help the soldiers and to also help out local businesses by giving them marketing with the event.

Route 66 Cadillac Music Fest

WHAT Live music, Cadillac car show, contests, bean bag tournament and food and drinks

WHEN Noon to 8 p.m. Saturday
WHERE William Tell Banquets, 6201 W. Joliet Road, Countryside, in the parking lot