



## **Sandpearl Resort Unites With Troop Rewards To Give Back**

*Sandpearl Resort gives vacations to military service members beginning on Memorial Day*

**CLEARWATER BEACH, Fla. – May 2013** – Sandpearl Resort is teaming up with Troop Rewards, a Tampa-based nonprofit organization that provides recovery vacations to returning U.S. soldiers and their families. The resort will provide five military service members who were deployed during Operation Iraqi Freedom and Operation Enduring Freedom in Afghanistan complimentary four-night luxury vacations starting on Memorial Day.

“This is such a great way to honor, remember and reward the servicemen and women who have served and defended our freedom in Iraq and Afghanistan over the last ten years,” said Tom Burkett, Troops Reward’s Executive Director. “To be able to team up with such a beautiful and inspiring resort is the icing on the cake.”

Eric Waltz, Sandpearl Resort’s General Manager, enjoys partnerships with local community organizations to support causes that leave a strong impact.

“We feel this quality time with their families is something that they will always cherish and we want them to know how much their service is appreciated when they come back home,” Waltz said. “We’re honored to host them at Sandpearl Resort and will do everything we can to ensure a memorable vacation experience including adding a few perks like a VIP tour of the Clearwater Marine Aquarium and a sunset cruise aboard the Kai Lani.”

### **About Sandpearl Resort**

Sandpearl Resort is a grand beachfront retreat nestled away in the quiet quarters of Clearwater Beach, Florida. Situated along a 700-foot expanse of pristine Gulf Coast beach, this fresh resort blends eco-conscious luxury with unparalleled amenities and features 253 guest rooms and suites, a lagoon-style beachfront pool with private cabanas, unique lifestyle enrichment programs, fine & casual dining, a full-service spa featuring signature pearl treatments, plus state-of-the-art meeting & event space. This timeless destination maintains a deep regard for the environment, and as a result, the eco-luxury resort is recognized as the first Silver LEED Certified resort in Florida, and one of 15 worldwide. Both the Sandpearl Resort and its signature restaurant, Caretta on the Gulf, are AAA Four Diamond Award recipients, and the resort was also recently included in Travel + Leisure’s “500 World’s Best Hotels 2012.” Follow Sandpearl on Facebook at [www.Facebook.com/ClearwaterFlorida](http://www.Facebook.com/ClearwaterFlorida) or on Twitter @SandpearlResort and @SandpearlSpa. For more information, call (877) 726-3111 or visit [www.sandpearl.com](http://www.sandpearl.com)

### **About Troop Rewards**

Troop Rewards is a Florida nonprofit dedicated to providing recovery and RnR vacations and other rewards to U.S. Service members who were deployed in Operation Iraqi Freedom and Operation Enduring Freedom in Afghanistan to aid in their reintegration to civilian life back home. You can follow them at [Facebook.com/RewardTheTroops](http://Facebook.com/RewardTheTroops) or on Twitter @TroopRewards. If you would like to learn more or make a donation to this worthy cause, please visit them at [www.TroopRewards.org](http://www.TroopRewards.org)

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