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Wounded Warrior Amputee Softball Team

July 2017



WWAST Players at Canal Park in Akron, Ohio on July 15, 2017

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Dear Friends,

The WWAST participated in three events over the last thirty days. In our first event, the WWAST played in the Sam McQuade Sr./Budweiser Charity Softball Tournament on June 23-25 in Bismarck, North Dakota. This is the USA's Largest non-profit, single weekend, slowpitch softball tournament that brings together players, families and fans from all over the United States and Canada. The team battled all weekend and went 5-1 overall earning third place against 48 other teams in their division! The WWAST then headed to Brainerd, Minnesota on July 7-9. Friday started with a visit to the Brainerd Miracle League game where WWAST Players and staff cheered on the participants. Then on Friday night, the Brainerd community came out in force for the exhibition game with over 2000 people in attendance! The team then played in the "Hopper" softball tournament on Saturday and Sunday. Continuing this eventful schedule, the WWAST then travelled to Akron, Ohio on July 14-16. A



Upcoming Games and Events

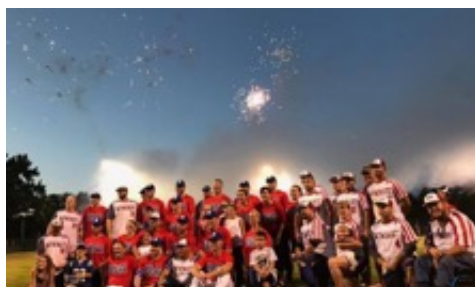
August 5
Topeka Town Park
505 East Lake St.,
Topeka, IN
6:30 PM - 3 Games vs.
Local All-Star Teams

August 26
Donovan Stadium at Murnane Field
898 Rose Pl, Utica, NY
1:00 PM - Game 1 vs.
TBD
2:30 PM - Game 2 vs.
TBD
4:00 PM - Game 3 vs.
TBD

September 3
Neuroscience Group Field at the Fox Cities Stadium
2400 N Casaloma Dr,
Grand Chute, WI
10:30 AM - Game 1 vs.
Joey's Bar
12:30 PM - Game 2 vs.
Local Celebrities/Athletes

September 8

reception on Friday night and a visit to MAPS Air Museum were a great start to the weekend. On Saturday night, the WWAST played in a doubleheader against a local celebrity team and against Team Red, White, and Blue. The WWAST would like to thank everyone - the event organizers, sponsors, and fans who made these events such a great success.



September 8
Bill Davis Stadium
560 Borrer Drive,
Columbus, OH
7:00 PM - vs. Ohio State
University Celebrities

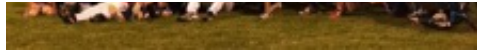
September 9-10
Berliner Park
325 Greenlawn Ave,
Columbus, OH
Tournament
Games Times TBD

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Our Mission

To inspire and educate others while enhancing the health and welfare of Wounded Warrior Amputees.



Additional pictures from the Bismarck, Brainerd, and Akron Events

The WWAST has two events over the next thirty days. In our first event, we will be travelling to South Bend/Topeka, Indiana on August 4-6. On Saturday morning, there will be a mini-Kids Camp in South Bend followed by three games that evening against local All-Star teams in Topeka. The WWAST then returns to Utica, New York on August 25-27. On Friday night, the team will host another mini-Kids Camp followed by a dinner with the kids. On Saturday, the team will play three games against sponsors and local first responders. We hope to see as many of our fans as possible at these events!

WWAST Schedules for 2017 and 2018

Be sure to check out our schedule for 2017 at the following link:

http://woundedwarrioramputeesoftwareballteam.org/?post_type=tribe_events. Keep checking back as additional information about events is added frequently.

If your community is interested in hosting the WWAST for an event in 2018, please contact our Executive Director, Dennis Wince, for details (dennis@thewwast.org).

WWAST Alumni Kids Camps

We are continuing planning for our first ever Alumni Kids Camp on September 28-October 1, 2017. This event will take place at Ballparks of America (<http://www.ballparksofamerica.com/>) in Branson, MO and is for the kids that participated in one of the first three Kids Camps in Orlando, Louisville, or Mission Viejo. Former Major Leaguer, Jim Abbott, has been named as our honorary chairperson for this event. Abbott, who was born without a right hand, was an All-American pitcher at the University of Michigan. Highlighting his career was his time spent with the United States Olympic Team in 1988 where they claimed the Gold Medal, in addition to throwing a no-hitter for the New York Yankees versus Cleveland on September 4, 1993. His career included roster spots on the Angels, Yankees, White Sox, and Brewers spanning from 1989 to 1999.

These life-changing events are only made possible by donations from people like you! If you would like to donate to our Alumni Kids Camp, you can do so at this link: <https://www.gofundme.com/WWASTalumni>.

Supporting the WWAST

You can support the WWAST through direct donations, supporting through the Amazon Smile Program, and through purchases of WWAST Gear through our online store. Your generous support will help send a young amputee child to a life changing camp, fund important amputee related medical research, provide medical equipment to veterans, and allow America's favorite team to compete, inspire and educate children, veterans and families all around the country. As a reminder, the WWAST is not affiliated with other Wounded Warrior charities (e.g. Wounded Warrior Project, etc.). Also, since our inception over 85% of our donations have supported programs helping Wounded Warrior Amputees, amputee children, and medical research.

Direct Donations

Please consider making a tax-deductible donation to the WWAST. No amount is too small. You can earmark your donation for a specific upcoming event or for our Kids Camp or Alumni Kids Camp. If you are looking for a meaningful gift for a friend or relative, then please consider donating in their name to the WWAST. Please make your contribution to WWAST today at:

<http://woundedwarrioramputeesoftballteam.org/wwast-donors-sponsors-overview/>.



Amazon Smile

You can support the WWAST through your purchases at Amazon.com with the AmazonSmile program. Amazon donates 0.5% of the price of your eligible AmazonSmile purchases to the charitable organization of your choice. AmazonSmile is the same Amazon you know - same products, same prices, same service. It can be used with Amazon Prime as well. To do this sign-on to your Amazon account through this link: <https://smile.amazon.com/>. When it asks you to enter your charity just type, Wounded Warrior Amputee Softball Team, and then start shopping! It is that easy.

Support the WWAST Online Store

Check out our online store! Summer is here and you NEED to have the latest WWAST gear to stay and look cool. Your purchases will be helping to promote America's favorite team as well. Click on the link to check it out: <https://www.cagear.com/wounded-warriors-amputee-softball/>. Also, be sure to look for our online store vendor, CA Gear, at upcoming WWAST events.

Connect with the WWAST - Push for 30,000 "Likes" on Facebook!

Earlier this year YOU helped us to surpass 25,000 "Likes" on our Facebook page. We are now pushing for 30,000 "Likes"! We are only 2,000 away.....Help us to reach our goal by clicking the "Like" button on Facebook. Once on the page, you can invite your friends to "Like" us as well! You can also "Follow" us on Twitter @WWAmpSoftball. In addition, continue to connect with us on our website (www.thewwast.org) and help get the word out to all your friends about the WWAST by having them sign-up for this newsletter.

A Message from Our Fans

"The Brainerd community was honored to have recently hosted the Wounded Warrior Amputee Softball Team. What a tremendous inspiration these individuals and organization are. To see and talk with anyone from the WWAST is a great experience. The message 'Life without a limb is limitless' is now a big part of Brainerd community as are the WWAST. It was a patriotic and moving weekend. We can't wait to have the WWAST back again. God Bless the USA!"

-Eryk Haapajoki
President, This One's for Hop
Event Organizer, Brainerd, MN

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