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Donors Make All Things Possible

By André Nicholson

The gift of giving is probably one of the most precious things that anyone can do for another person. When times are hard and things seem hopeless, who do you turn to for assistance?

For servicemembers and/or their families, they turn to the Walter Reed Society (WRS). The Walter Reed Society has been in existence for 14 years and was created to benefit Walter Reed Army Medical Center (WRAMC) and its educational, patient, treatment, and research activities. Since its inception the Society has grown to a membership of more than 700 people.

In 2004, the WRS established a fund to assist servicemembers being treated at WRAMC. The fund was created with the support of corporate and private donors and is titled the WRS Warrior/Family Support Fund. During this short period, the Society has granted more than \$1.5 million toward assisting servicemembers and/or their families. In 2009 alone, the WRS granted more than \$200,000 to servicemembers and/or their families.

None of this support would be possible without the generous donations made by several organizations and individuals over the past few years. These donations have allowed the WRS to assist with things such as airfare, child-care expenses, clothing, physical therapy, funeral expenses, lodging expenses, mortgage/rent payments, and a list of others.

For every dollar that is given out in support of a servicemember and/or his or her family, much more is given back to the Society in the form of gratitude from those very people whom it aims to help.

Save the Date

WRS Annual Meeting

You are cordially invited to the Walter Reed Society's Annual Meeting. The new WRS coin (below) will be on sale for \$7 each, along with other memorabilia.

When: Sunday, May 2, 2010

Time: 11:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

Where: Mologne House, WRAMC

RSVP: By April 26, call (202) 782-6607.

Cost: \$30



Artwork: Ellen Lee
John's Phoenix



‘Can you hear me now?’

A check for \$10,000 is enough to make anyone listen, and Col. (Ret.) Allan Glass, first vice president of the Walter Reed Society, (left) accepted the generous donation from Verizon Wireless on behalf of the Society earlier this year. The check was presented by the Washington Regional Manager, Michael Maiorana. Verizon Wireless is one of several corporate donors that have donated to the WRS.

Volunteer Appreciation

The Army Volunteer Corps at Walter Reed Army Medical Center will host its Annual Volunteer Recognition Luncheon on April 23, 2010 to celebrate volunteer service. Volunteer Appreciation Week is April 18-24 and it is a time to thank all the volunteer services at WRAMC. The luncheon begins at 10:30 a.m. in the MWR Conference Room, Delano Hall (Bldg. 11, Second Floor). Due to space limitations, the invitation is extended to people who volunteer at WRAMC only. RSVP can be sent to darla.hines@amedd.army.mil or call 202-782-5877.

Certificate of Appreciation

The Walter Reed Army Medical Center’s Medical Center Brigade, awarded the Walter Reed Society with a Certificate of Appreciation for outstanding service and support to the soldiers of the Medical Center Brigade.

WRS Collectible

This year the WRS collectible will recognize and honor our nation’s military families. Especially in a time



of war military families are asked to sacrifice even more and their loved ones are often deployed repeatedly for several months at a time. The collectible at \$20 each will be available early in the fall for holiday giving.



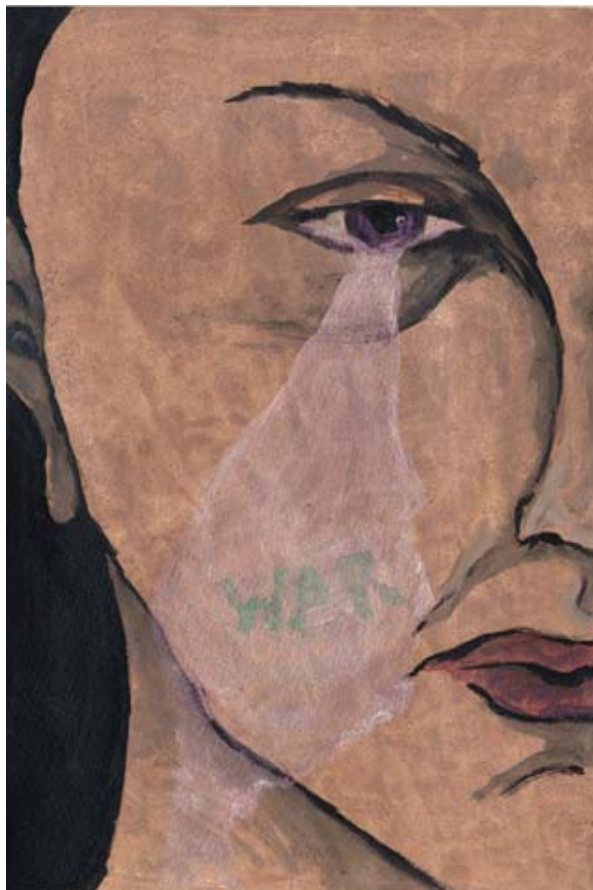
Art of War

“Wounded in Action: An Art Exhibition of Orthopaedic Advancements,” is an exhibit of art works inspired by experiences with the wounds of war. The exhibit will have its first major installation at the National Museum of Health and Medicine, Washington, D.C., and the University of Maryland, Baltimore in May 2010, after a one-week installation on Capitol Hill. “Wounded in Action” is organized by the American Academy of Orthopaedic Surgeons.

It celebrates those who have had orthopaedic injuries as a result of serving our country during a time of war. From World War II to Korea to Vietnam, from the Gulf War to Afghanistan to Iraq, thousands of uniformed servicemembers have suffered extreme and severe musculoskeletal injuries. Their stories are told through the art on display in the installation.

The exhibit also recognizes orthopaedic surgeons who, throughout history have risked their own safety to care for servicemembers, to save lives and limbs, to advance medical treatments, and to conduct research and learn from war in order to better treat those who sustain orthopaedic trauma.

For more information about the museum visit: www.nmhm.washingtondc.museum/index.html and go to www.woundedinactionart.org for information about the exhibit.



Art work by Diane Taylor

WRS Membership, Donations

Annual Dues-\$25; Two-year Membership-\$40; Life-time Membership-\$500. Donations are tax-deductible. Your support enables the Society to sponsor activities at WRAMC and to assist wounded warriors and their families. Send checks to The Walter Reed Society, P.O. Box 59611, Walter Reed Station, Washington, D.C. 20012-9611, along with your: Name, Mailing Address and E-mail Address. Please indicate: I do ___ do not ___ want my name and address in the directory distributed to Society members.



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of our wounded warriors
and their families.



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