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“Life Without a Limb is Limitless”

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Dear Brothers and Sisters,

Are you a veteran? If so, thank you for your service. Do you know a veteran? If so, please thank them for their service. At each National Convention the Auxiliary to the APWU works on a Human Relations Project. For the 2014 Convention in Chicago, we have chosen the Wounded Warriors Amputee Softball Team. (WWAST) This team represents some of the nation’s bravest and most determined heroes, soldiers and veterans.

In 2011 Sports Illustrated printed an article about these amazing young men. Following is an excerpt from this article. “Every member of the WWAST is a war veteran who sacrificed a part of himself in Afghanistan or Iraq. Before they were in the military they were high school or college baseball players and they have fought through devastating injuries and exhausting, sometimes excruciating rehabilitation to make it back from the battlefield to the ball field. In the process they are proving to everyone, including themselves, that despite missing limbs they are still the same focused, physically capable men they have always been.”

The mission of WWAST is to raise awareness, through exhibition and celebrity softball games, of the sacrifices and resilience of our military. They travel around the country playing only able bodied teams. At first they may be underestimated but that doesn’t last long. We feel that this team is such an inspiration that we want to start raising money now to help them with their travel expenses and whatever else they may need to be able to continue helping other veterans. Veterans who may have the same disabilities, so that they may show them that “Life without a limb is limitless.” For more information and a look at all they have accomplished I encourage you to check out their website at www.woundedwarrioramputeesoftballteam.org.

We are very excited about this project and do hope that we can count on your support. We will be accepting donations from now until and during the 2014 Convention. Checks may be made out to: **Auxiliary to the APWU** and sent to: **Trisa Mannion, Treasurer, Auxiliary to the APWU, 3038 Cloverdale Court, Grand Junction, CO 81506**

Yours in Solidarity,

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