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Two hundred veterans with physical disabilities to be introduced to competitive and recreational sports that can enhance their health and well-being

Sacramento, California, September 16, 2008—This Saturday, the Department of Parks and Recreation's Access Leisure - Paralympic Sports Sacramento program and Soldiers' Angels Northern California will jointly host ***Thank You For Your Service***, a special event that will highlight competitive and recreational sports that can enhance the health and well-being of veterans with physical disabilities. In addition, the event will help raise \$100,000 by the end of this year in athletic scholarships for veterans with disabilities. ***Thank You For Your Service*** will take place on **Saturday, September 20th**, from **10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at River Cats Independence Field - 2450 Meadowview Road**.

Saturday's event will feature a wheelchair softball competition between veterans, activities within the fully-accessible, zero-entry Pannell Meadowview Swimming Pool, and instructional clinics on U.S. Paralympics-sanctioned sport events: Basketball, Bocce Ball, Cycling, Swimming, and Field Events—Javelin, Shot Put, Discus. There is no fee to attend this event.

Details

Event Name: ***1st Annual Thank You For Your Service***
Visuals: Veterans with physical disabilities competing in a wheelchair softball competition, learning about and trying out competitive and recreational sports that can enhance their health and well-being.
Date: Saturday, September 20th
Time: 10 a.m. – 2 p.m.
Location: River Cats Independence Field, located at Pannell Meadowview Community Center - 2450 Meadowview Road

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