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******PRESS RELEASE****WALLA WALLA POLICE DEPT******
3rd Annual “Battle of the Badge” Charity Baseball Game is Saturday

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Local law enforcement and firefighters will square off once again for the “Battle of the Badge” charity baseball game. Over the past 2 years, this event has raised over \$49,000 for local charities.

Tickets sales are once again approaching a complete sellout, with fewer than 600 tickets left as of May 22nd. Tickets are only available at the Sweets Shoppe on Main Street and may not be available at the gate on game day.

Law enforcement took the title the first year, with Fire winning last year. Both teams have been working hard in hopes of settling the score in this 3rd game.

Even though it was Fire’s win last year, it was a play by the Law Enforcement team that garnered national attention. City of Walla Walla Firefighter Jay Jones had hit deep into center field in his 1st at bat when Walla Walla County Deputy Sheriff Richard Schram made a diving catch for the out. The play was captured by KEPR news anchor Terry Chick and received national attention as it climbed to number one on ESPN’s “Top 10 Play of the Day”, remaining on the list for several days.

Firefighters chose the Walla Walla Valley Disability Network as their charity for this year’s game. Their mission is to improve the quality of life for persons with disabilities and their families in the Valley through access and support.

The law enforcement team will be playing for the Mom’s Network. Their Facebook page states they promote moms, families, and a family-friendly community.

With sellout numbers the past 2 years, volunteers from both charities will be assisting Sweets employees to better serve the large crowd of fans.

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