

## The History of Station WBVS

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> During WWII, there were 3 types of hospitals, Field, Station, and  
> General Hospitals. My Dad was in a jeep accident in Iceland and was  
> in a Station Hospital. His name was Wayne Barney and the VS stands for  
> vital signs.

> Hence, Station Wayne Barney's Vital Signs or Station WBVS.

> My Dad's Head injury was quite severe to the point where he had to  
> learn to walk and talk all over again.

> The Doctors at that time gave him 6 months to live and he lived to be  
> 72 years old. He had a metal plate in his skull and lived with severe  
> headaches. I watch him have a seizure when I was 17. He said, "I  
> never wanted you to know about these."

> Some days he could barely get out of bed, some days he would be  
> whistling down the stairs at 5:30 a.m.

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> One of the best experiences in my life was working with my dad in  
> the water. We would go to Wescott's Beach with my Mom and he would use  
> me as a weight, or put his hands in the sand and kicks his legs in the  
> water and then explain that his headache was going away. I have to  
> say, he would never go in if there were alot of people in the water.  
> I think might be a fear that someone would drown you if there are  
> to many people around.

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> What I am doing now is raising funds to build a pool for Ft Drum.  
> It is a Therapy Pool much like the type of work I did with my Dad,  
> because I knew 1st hand what we did many years ago.

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> I also have been working with a therapist on Ft. Drum, also Major  
> Davidson of Logistics, along side with Sundance Pools who will be  
> putting the pool in for me.

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> The water is only chest high. Included is a removable treadmill at  
> one end for some who needs just to run for an hour but doesn't need  
> wear and tear on their body. It is made for 1 soldier and 1 therapist  
> at all times. Keep in mind also, there is a glass wall, so if the  
> soldier needs to have time to himself he can ask the person to go on  
> the other side. He or she is still being watched, but has some privacy.  
> At this point, We have purchase all the stereo equipment and wire,  
> 10 ipods, klipsh indoor outdoor speakers for the rooftop, & the  
> treadmill. Now we need \$70,000. for the rest of the pool. We have just a  
> few months left.

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> We are having the Groundbreaking within the next week or two.

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> Thanks for all you do.

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> Love Sheila

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