Valour-IT: The Wounds Donâ€™t Have to be from a Far-Flung Battlefield

Description

A commenter on VCâ€™s â€œget out the fund rasing effortâ€• post (heh! she figured out the â€œviralâ€• tactic) had this to say:

> Cass, it isnâ€™t the fundraiser that bugs me. It is the reason, the necessity for it. We should be at peace with these kids home and making lives for themselves and their families. But the call came and they answered. We can do no less than embrace them and help them to have a life. It is a small thing we do, but having been a bedridden grouch myself, and having needed a laptop with Dragon Naturally Speaking, I know how much this means to them.
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> It wasnâ€™t until two years ago that I was able to get more function in my left arm, and begin to type again, and that was a year after I was injured.
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> The first thing the Engineer [husband] did was get me a laptop with the software. I didnâ€™t feel so isolated, hurt or angry. And you will never know how much it meant to me to be able to travel beyond my four walls and the terrible pain.
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> I have since given the laptop back to DELL, and they sent me a replacement, but they did tell me that they would rehab it for resell. I hope it went to one of ours and it gives him or her the
> ability and hope to carry on and know that life is good and sweet.

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Cricket knows the value. Thatâ€™s a testimony to the capablity of technology to lend normalcy to a broken body, and more importantly, an almost broken spirit.

In the future, if you meet/learn of someone who has suffered such injuries in life off any battle field, you know are aware of a method to restore some hope, so, spread the word around!

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