

CURE Champion Provides Life-Changing Surgery for 11 Children

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LEMOYNE, PA, September 18, 2013 **/24-7PressRelease/** -- CURE International announced that Michael May of Cynthiana, Kentucky has been named the winner of the inaugural CURE Champion Team. Michael set a goal of \$1,000, and with the help of the CURE celebrity fitness trainers, he not only met his goal, but, along with his team, raised more than \$12,000, which funded the life-changing surgeries of eleven children in CURE hospitals in the developing world.

Michael May is himself a hydrocephalus survivor who has endured over 10 surgeries to treat his condition. "Michael really embodies the spirit of the whole Champion program, and we are proud to name him the winner of our very first Champion team," said Joel Worrall, CTO for CURE International. "He's overcome hydrocephalus and used that as a platform to help others with the same condition. He's really making an impact with his life, and that's what CURE Champion is all about."

As the winner of the first CURE Champion team, Michael will travel to the Dominican Republic in November with CURE Celebrity Coach John Carter to visit a CURE hospital and meet some of the children who have received needed surgeries there.

The second CURE Champion team kicked off on September 9, 2013 and will run through December 10, 2013. CURE Champion is designed to help individuals attain their fitness goals while simultaneously raising money for life-saving and life-changing surgical needs of disabled children in developing countries. Team members are connected with children who require treatment through CURE and given a customizable webpage to promote and manage their campaign. When the fundraising goal has been achieved, a team member and coach will be randomly selected for a goodwill trip to a CURE Hospital to meet with patients and their families. CURE hospitals are located in Afghanistan, Dominican Republic, Ethiopia, Kenya, Malawi, Niger, Uganda, United Arab Emirates, and Zambia. The Tebow CURE Hospital is also currently under construction in the Philippines.

Three highly respected fitness coaches have signed on to assist the Champion Team 2 members meet fitness goals. Coaches will provide inspiration, and motivation, as well as training tips to assist team members in their quest to meet their fitness goals. Coaches for the second CURE Champion team are: • Eugene DePasquale, Auditor General, Pennsylvania and accomplished collegiate athlete • Jon Carter, fitness industry icon and star of his own workout videos • Amanda Mason, certified exercise specialist and acclaimed surf fitness trainer.

The nationwide campaign is open and accepting applications from any individual hoping to achieve a fitness goal while using the ultimate motivation of changing the lives of children in

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need. To sign up, visit <http://cure.org/champion>.

More about the Champion Fitness Coaches

Eugene DePasquale Born and raised in Pittsburgh, PA, Mr. DePasquale currently serves as the state of Pennsylvania's 51st Auditor General. An accomplished collegiate athlete and a member of the Pittsburgh Central Catholic High School's Quad A State Championship, Auditor General DePasquale is now known as the leading voice for government reform and accountability. In addition to being the first legislator to post his expenses online, Mr. DePasquale refused pay raises, returned unused dollars to the state budget and led efforts to end special privileges for legislators.

John Carter John Carter's mission is to help, motivate, inspire, and encourage others to live a healthier and happier life. He has been published in over 50 fitness magazines, including a recent feature in Men's Fitness magazine. John also has a growing fitness community with over 95,000 members. He has appeared on national television and stars in his own fitness DVDs. CURE and John Carter are excited to help you achieve your fitness goals as well, helping children live a life free from their correctable disability. <http://www.johncarterfitness.com>

Amanda Mason Based in Chicago and Costa Rica, Ms. Mason is recognized as a leading surf fitness trainer. Focused on discipline and the confidence gained when the body and mind are strong, Ms. Mason's experience spans areas of personal and group training, fitness classes, sports specific training, healthy promotions, wellness education, rehabilitation, health management and patient care. A 2007 graduate of Indiana University, Ms. Mason earned a Bachelor of Science degree in Kinesiology with a minor in Public Health.

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CURE International's mission is to heal the sick and proclaims the kingdom of God. It is the largest provider of reconstructive surgery to disabled children in the emerging world. Since opening the doors of its first surgical teaching hospital in Kijabe, Kenya, in 1998, CURE's focus on bringing healing to developing nations has resulted in more than 2 million patient visits and over 147,000 surgeries to correct physically disabling conditions. CURE has also trained more than 6,600 medical professionals, raising the standard of care in the countries where it operates. Please visit <http://cure.org> for more information.