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JEFF FISHER TO BRING ANNUAL CHARITY SOFTBALL GAME TO ST. LOUIS
Coach Fisher Will Host "Jeff Fisher & Friends" Celebrity Softball Game at GCS Ballpark on Thursday, July 26, 2012

ST. LOUIS, Mo. – St. Louis Rams Head Coach Jeff Fisher will host the St. Louis region's inaugural "Jeff Fisher & Friends" Celebrity Softball Game on Thursday, July 26, 2012 at 6:30 p.m. at GCS Ballpark in Sauget, Il. The event, which will include a little league game, home run derby and post-game fireworks show, will benefit five charities: The BackStoppers, The Snowman Fund, Mercy Ministries, Wounded Warriors Project and Catch-A-Dream Foundation.

Before coming to St. Louis, Fisher hosted an annual softball game in Nashville to benefit charity and engage fans. It is important to Fisher that he continues the tradition in St. Louis.

"In my short time in St. Louis, I have been impressed with the charitable spirit of the folks that I have had the opportunity to meet," said Fisher. "I have always believed in the power of sport to raise awareness and funds for charities and as head coach of the Rams, that commitment will continue. The softball game will be a fun night at the ballpark for families and a great way to kickoff training camp. I think the fans will enjoy seeing their favorite Rams in a different environment."

Celebrities currently confirmed include Danny Amendola, 'Dre Bly, Tom Brandstater, Jo-Lonn Dunbar, Cortland Finnegan, Bradley Fletcher, Brandon Gibson, James Laurinaitis, Murphy Lee, Quintin Mikell, Brit Miller, Quinn Ojinnaka, Austin Pettis, Robert Quinn, Rodger Saffold and Darian Stewart. In addition to the participating celebrities, the Rams cheerleaders and team mascot Rampage will be available for autographs and photos.

The evening's activities will begin at 5:30 p.m. with a little league game followed by a celebrity home run derby at 6:30 p.m. The softball game will get underway at 7:30 p.m. and will conclude with a grand fireworks display.

General admission tickets are on sale for \$10 through the Gateway Grizzlies ticket office at www.gatewaygrizzlies.com/tickets.

Sponsorships are available by calling 314-781-5233 or visiting www.stlouisrams.com.

About the charitable beneficiaries:

*Started in 1959, **The BackStoppers, Inc.**, provides needed support and financial assistance to the spouses and children of all local and county police officers, firefighters, publicly-funded paramedics and EMTs and volunteer fire protection units, who have lost their lives performing their duty.*

*Founded in 2010, **The Snowman Fund's** mission is to raise awareness of and funding for research that one day will stop the progression of Wolfram syndrome. Wolfram syndrome is a terminal form of diabetes that results in the degradation of the nerve cells in the eyes, ears and brain, and in 60% of the cases, causes death before the patient's 30th birthday.*

***Mercy Ministries** exists to provide opportunities for young women to experience God's unconditional love and life-transforming power. They aim to serve young women from all socio-economic backgrounds, ages 13-28, who face a*



combination of life-controlling issues such as eating disorders, self-harm, drug and alcohol addictions, depression and unplanned pregnancy. Mercy also serves young women who have been physically and sexually abused.

Wounded Warrior Project (WWP) *serves military service members who incurred service-connected wounds, injuries, or illnesses on or after September 11, 2001 and their families.*

Catch-A-Dream Foundation *provides once-in-a-lifetime dream hunting and fishing trips to children across the United States and Canada, age 18 and younger, who suffer from life-threatening illnesses. Through these adventures, and exposure to outdoors-minded people who care, the program instills in these children a message of encouragement at a time when they need to know that hope does, indeed, exist.*

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