Fighting To Beat Sarcoma

First held on Nov. 7, 2006, the Ted Mullin “Hour of Power” Relay has grown from 15 teams in its first year to 166 teams in 2017-18 with more than 8,600 athletes. Over the past twelve years, participants in the “Hour of Power” raised over $738,000 for the Ted Mullin Fund for Pediatric Sarcoma Research at the University of Chicago Medicine Comer Children’s Hospital.

What is the “Hour of Power” Relay?
The set is one of the Carleton College Knights’ favorites, and the team felt it would be an appropriate memorial to Ted to run a “Leave it in the Pool” practice consisting of continuous relays, any stroke, all-out swimming, for one hour, with the objective of keeping all relays in each lane on the same length.

Simultaneously swimming the “Hour of Power” across time zones adds to the spirit and fun of the relay, but teams unable to participate at the scheduled date/times are encouraged to hold a relay event whenever possible.

The participants in the event are asked to gather donations for the Ted Mullin Fund for Pediatric Sarcoma Research at the University of Chicago Medicine Comer Children’s Hospital. Checks should be made payable to “FJC Ted Mullin Fund FSP” with the team name in the memo line, and mailed to the Ted Mullin Fund, P.O. Box 437, Winnetka, Illinois 60093-0437. All donations made to the Ted Mullin Fund at FJC are tax-deductible to the extent allowed by United States law. Donations may also be made online at www.tedmullinfund.org

We encourage participation to raise team spirit and sarcoma awareness whether or not your program is able to fund raise.

Where Does the Money Go?
Money raised acts as seed funding for the University of Chicago Medicine’s (UCM) pediatric cancer research program. The Ted Mullin Fund has supported research into novel chemotherapy/biology agents, new ways to administer chemotherapy, techniques to visualize more accurately the tumor response in the patient, novel genomics strategies to identify high-risk sarcoma patients, molecular techniques to personalize therapy to maximize benefit while reducing treatment-related toxicity, and treatments for metastatic or resistant disease that use the patient’s own immune system to attack residual tumors. Each summer, the UCM hosts Ted Mullin Fund Scholars in pediatric cancer laboratories, giving collegiate Ted Mullin “Hour of Power” participants an opportunity to advance their interest in science and cancer biology. With initial seed mony from the Ted Mullin Fund, UCM is celebrating the fifth anniversary of the Adolescent and Young Adult Oncology Program. The Fund also supports the UCM comprehensive Pediatric Cancer Data Commons that will collect standardized data from as many pediatric cancer patients as possible in one central repository and share it openly with the entire research community.

For Sarcoma Research, November 13, 2018

Sponsored by
Carleton College
Swimming and Diving
WHO: All college, high school, club or masters swimming/diving teams, and any other interested teams.

WHAT: “Hour of Power” relay in honor of Carleton College swimmer Ted Mullin, who died in the fall of 2006 from sarcoma, a rare soft-tissue cancer. Funds raised through this event support research at the University of Chicago Medicine into the causes and treatment of sarcoma in young people.

WHEN: November 13, 2018
5 p.m. Eastern/ 4 p.m. Central or
5 p.m. Mountain/ 4 p.m. Pacific
(or another date that works for your team)

WHERE: Your team’s home pool, field or venue.

HOW: Sign-up form and more information available after August 1, 2018 at http://go.carleton.edu/HourOfPower

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