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RACER/ACTOR, SCOTT ELROD, TO SHARE WINNING CONCEPTS WITH KIDS AT VENICE, CA, BOYS & GIRLS CLUB

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

WHO:

Racers Who Care spokesracer and actor, Scott Elrod is scheduled to inspire a group of children at the Venice, CA, Boys & Girls Club to believe in themselves and believe in their dreams on **Tuesday, April 9, 2013, at 4:00 p.m.** Elrod is a member of Racers Who Care's Board of Directors.

WHERE:

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SCOTT ELROD:

Scott Elrod was born in Bitburg, Germany into a military family. His father was an U.S. Air Force pilot. After living in the Philippines and other areas around the world, Scott set down roots in the United States where he discovered a love for racing motorcycles.

Scott joined the Air Force, became an air traffic controller and earned his private pilot's license. After six years in the military, he realized he wanted more and retired the blues and started a marketing company with a friend, then later started up a mortgage company as well. Just recently, he started up a concierge service for owners of exotic vehicles, www.autoconcierge.co.

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The memory of seeing Tom Cruise in "Top Gun" (Scott's father, a retired Top Gun pilot, actually flew an A-4 in the movie) made him realize acting had always been in the back of his mind, so Scott relocated to Los Angeles in April 2004 to pursue a career in acting. After a handful of acting classes he secured a manager and an agent, and was cast for parts on "CSI: New York" and "Days of Our Lives". In 2006, Scott took a role on My Network TV's "Desire", an American telenovela (playing the part of the blind Daniel Lenton). The show didn't last long but he refers to it as "great on-the-job training".

In December 2006, while auditioning for a role on the CBS series "NCIS", Scott crossed paths with a casting director he had worked with previously who asked, "Why aren't you on Men in Trees?" "Never heard of Men in Trees", Scott said. Next thing he knew, the director was on the phone with Scott's agent, and in January 2007, Scott met with the creator, producers and casting agent. The next day, Elrod's manager called, saying, "Pack your bags, you're going to Vancouver, Canada." The rest is history.

After that, Elrod played in several TV films and series, such as Hallmark's "Uncorked" (opposite Julie Benz), "Hellhounds" (directed by Rick Schroder), the hit series "Castle" and the ABC pilot, "True Blue" (directed by Peter Horton). In 2009, Scott also made a guest-appearance in Above & Beyond's Oceanlabs music video "Lonely Girl" which reached #1 on the iTunes dance album chart in the US.

Leading roles in feature films like "Tricks of a Woman" (awarded Best Picture at the Monaco International Film Festival), "Death and Cremation" (opposite Brad Dourif and Jeremy Sumpter), a supporting role in "The Switch" (opposite Jennifer Aniston and Jason Bateman), and "The Allure of Love" (opposite Jenny McCarthy and Charles Malik Whitfield) on Royal Caribbean's "Allure of the Seas", introduced him to a wider international audience. Most recently, Scott appeared in the Academy award-winning movie, "Argo", and on the television show, "NCIS: LA."

Scott has many years of professional car and motorcycle racing experience. His recreational interests include flying, snowboarding, racing cars, motorcycles, scuba diving and much more. He keeps in shape with kickboxing, lifting weights and running. In his spare time, Scott likes to hang out with his friends and his yellow Lab, "Harley".

BOYS & GIRLS CLUB OF VENICE, CALIFORNIA:

The Boys & Girls Club of Venice is one of over 4,300 Boys & Girls Clubs nationwide. Upholding national guidelines for program content, delivery and quality, a growing number of Boys & Girls Clubs now provide programs over three million youth across our country and in military bases overseas. The Club's primary mission is to enable all young people, especially those who need the Club most, to reach their full potential as productive, caring, responsible citizens. The Club provides kids a safe place to learn and grow, ongoing relationships with caring, adult professionals, and life-enhancing programs and character development experiences.

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WHY:

The Quick Tips on Winning in Life presentations are an avenue through which professional racers can give back to the communities where they live and race, by inspiring, affirming, empowering, and fueling the dreams of children and teens.

Quick Tips presentations center on key universal truths RWC calls Quick Tips on Winning in Life, applicable to all children and teens regardless of age, cultural background, or life experience: find something to do in life that you really love, study, learn the art of teamwork, find a mentor, take the long view, be flexible with your dreams and goals, avoid the path of least resistance, and more.

Racers Who Care, Inc. is a West Hollywood, California-based 501c3 charitable corporation, founded in 1993, that works with auto, boat, motorcycle, truck and snowmobile racers dedicated to making a positive difference for our next generation. In Southern California, and throughout the U.S. in communities surrounding their tracks, RWC's racers have unforgettably impacted kids with exciting observations on how to succeed, presented by people who have -- very publicly, and in a field perceived as ruthless, tough and unforgiving.

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