

Will to Wheel

World's Longest Wheelie—in a Wheelchair!

"Strength does not come from physical capacity. It comes from an indomitable will"

Mahatma Gandhi



Eliza McIntosh, an East High School senior, WILL set a new world record for the longest continuous wheelie in a wheelchair on October 8, 2011. Her attempt is part of her effort to highlight ABILITIES and raise support for Utah's FIRST nationally-competitive high school wheelchair basketball team (the Junior Wheelin' Jazz).

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Saturday, October 8 at 8:30 a.m. at the

East High track, located at 1350 East

Sunnyside Ave., SLC

Eliza is no stranger to competition. She has qualified three times for the National Debate Championships, was the 2011 4A state

champion in oratory, the 2011 state Class C Chess Champion and 2010-2011 Na-

tional Wheelchair Association All-American First Team. In only two seasons, Utah's FIRST nationally-competitive wheelchair basketball team finished 6th place at the National Competition in a field of over 50 teams. Individual team members are required to raise their own money for custom sports chairs and travel to regional competitions and the National Wheelchair Basketball Tournament. Eliza spent over \$6,000 in personal funds to participate last year. She wants to make Wheelchair Basketball more accessible to everyone.

Eliza began playing wheelchair sports at the age of 8. She helped carry the torch for the 2002 International Paralympic Winter Games held in Salt Lake City. Now she's on a mission. "Spirit in Motion is the motto for the Paralympic movement. I want everyone to feel what that means. I want those in wheelchairs to know about the opportunities in sports that are just waiting for them. Not all the kids have the money to participate, I want to change that."

Eliza is asking individuals and companies to give their support by making pledges for each quarter mile she completes in her "Will to Wheel" Wheelie Event. The current world record is 10.016 miles. Come walk part of it with Eliza as she wheels, Saturday, October 8 at 8:30 a.m. at the East High track (located at 1350 East, Sunnyside Ave., SLC). Eliza has informally broken the record during practice. The effort lasted 3 hours.

Tax Deductible Donations may be made at www.jr.wheelinjazz.com

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Pledges may be made by contacting Eliza directly.

Every dollar donated goes directly to the Junior Wheelin' Jazz program.

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