

## **Christmas Can Cure Comes to Park City this December**

***Utah mountain town is second host for non-profit giving wounded warriors and their families a Christmas to remember***

**Park City, Utah** – Two selected wounded warriors and their families will visit Park City, Utah December 18-22 for a simulated Christmas holiday, courtesy of Christmas Can Cure and in partnership with the Wounded Warrior Project. Christmas Can Cure (CCC) was formed to reenergize and renew the memories, meaning and possibilities of Christmas for military families. The event was conceptualized and created in 2008 by the Carrier Family of Jackson, New Hampshire where two wounded warrior families were embraced by the small town last year.

CCC has picked up momentum beyond its New Hampshire beginnings. Gerald Carrier and his family are proud to announce Park City as the second host town for Christmas Can Cure. The Carriers will be joined by very close friends, the Lee family, who will head up the efforts in Utah.

“We’re very excited to have the Park City community on board as our second host town for many reasons. Not only is it one of the great ski towns, but it’s also home to the National Ability Center (NAC), the world’s premier rehabilitation and outreach facility for many men and woman living with disabilities,” said Gerald Carrier. “The NAC is excited to provide special programming for the Warriors. Thanks to the tremendous response and performance from our Mt. Washington Valley residents last year, this effort has the opportunity to expand to other communities and help more of our Wounded Warriors,” he continued.

Carrier’s son, Andre, who calls Nevada home, and Andre’s long-time friend, Greg Lee, have been busy coordinating efforts in Park City. The two recruited the help of friend and New Englander, Chris Waddell, a former Middlebury College ski racer, to introduce the program to Park City, where he now lives.

“Chris is both a local contact and a true inspiration. He is a five-time Paralympic gold medalist, and recently became the first Paraplegic to summit Mt. Kilimanjaro substantially unassisted,” notes Andre.

“Like the Mount Washington Valley the people of Park City have embraced with open arms the idea of providing an idyllic Christmas to deserving Wounded Warriors,” said Andre.

He added that during a recent organizing trip in Park City, “We have found some wonderful partners to help us make Christmas unforgettable for the Warriors and their families.” Andre and Greg Lee have found an accommodations partner in Resorts West, one of Park City’s premier lodging providers; restaurant and activity partners are joining daily.

Carrier emphasized how fantastic it is watching Greg and the Lee family build on the CCC vision. “Who would have thought a year ago that we’d now have a CCC West, but now we do and it could not be in better hands.”

For more information or to get involved, contact [info@christmascancure.org](mailto:info@christmascancure.org).

**About Christmas Can Cure**

Christmas Can Cure (CCC) is a 501c3 (application pending) formed in 2008 by the Carrier family of New Hampshire. The organization seeks to give military families in need the opportunity to experience a perfect Christmas. With the help of the Wounded Warrior Project, Christmas Can Cure gives selected wounded warriors and their families a Christmas to remember. Many veterans have spent one or more Christmas's deployed on active duty; wounded veterans may have spent Christmas in a rehabilitation hospital. CCC was formed to reenergize and renew the memories, meaning and possibilities of Christmas. CCC also seeks to provide a vehicle to help grateful citizens show their thanks to the men and women who have sacrificed so much in service to our country. For more information, visit [www.christmascancure.org](http://www.christmascancure.org).

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