



## Entrepreneur E. Davon Kelly Challenged 45 Young Men to take on the Mantle of Leadership during the Second Annual 13th Man Summer Classic

*The Summer Classic Leadership and Empowerment Camp was held for 2.5 days at the Greenbelt Marriott where 45 young men focused on life skills and activities that encourage them to be accountable for their actions and decisions, now!*

GREENBELT, MD, July 28, 2016 **/24-7PressRelease/** -- Entrepreneur, E. Davon Kelly kicked off the second annual [13th Man Summer Classic](#) with the rallying cry, "Why Me? Why Now? Why Not!" The nonprofit organization returned to the Greenbelt Marriott on July 21st with a group of 45 young men, ages 12 to 17, for the two and one-half day leadership development program.

Excited by requests from participants to add another day, the 13th Man Founder, Davon Kelly responded, "This year, we found our rhythm and created a program that balanced substantive educational seminars with activities that included golf and basketball clinics. Our participants' favorite seminar focused on financial management and concluded with a unique marketplace competition that required them to make economic decisions based on a set of practical scenarios."

The 13th Man was built around the mentoring tenet that 'each one, teach one'. Throughout the weekend, these mentors accepted this challenge. Our Mentor Panel included entrepreneurs, attorneys, IT and sales professionals, and a pastor who shared sage advice, and personal and professional insight through a meaningful exchange of questions and answers. The mentors then dined with their perspective mentees enjoying a three-course meal while continuing their enlightening conversation.

The 13th Man also provides quarterly workshops and weekly tutoring to help strengthen skill sets and provide consistent mentoring throughout the year. The Summer Classic, which is free to all participants (including food and lodging), is supported by an annual Charity Golf Outing and generous donations from the community. The fundraiser will be held on September 26th at the Country Club at Woodmore. For more information about sponsorship or to register, please visit our [website](#), or contact our office at 301.429.8807.

**About The 13th Man:** Our mission is to provide the building blocks to help young men become victorious over the obstacles that stand between them and their chance at lifelong success. The 13th Man provides enrichment activities throughout the year to catapult potential sideliners into superstars! For more information about how you can support our efforts and/or participate in the upcoming Charity Golf Outing (September 26th at the Country Club at Woodmore), please visit: <http://the13thman.org>.

Davon Kelly is the Founder of [the 13th Man](#). He is President and CEO of [NOVAD Management Consulting](#) and the owner of [My Barber's Lounge](#). An Associate Basketball Coach at Episcopal High School, he shares his wisdom and experience both on and off the court in his book, [From Courtside to the Boardroom: A Legacy in the Making](#). All proceeds from the book benefit the 13th Man.