



The 13th Man Continues Legacy of Developing Boys into Men at 5th Year at Annual Leadership Enrichment Camp and Launches 4th Charity Golf Outing to Support Programs

Celebrating the 5th year of creating the next generation of leaders that are civic and community minded, and academic focused. The 4th Annual Charity Golf Outing will be held on September 16th to raise funds to support this outstanding organization.



LANDOVER, MD, August 06, 2019 **/24-7PressRelease/** -- In 2015, when E. Davon Kelly conceived his legacy organization, [the 13th Man](#), he could not imagine how deeply he would impact the lives of more than 300 young black men. The 13th Man is the manifestation of a question that was posed to the successful entrepreneur and CEO of [NOVAD Management Consulting](#): What will be your legacy? "I remember the first year when 42 young men signed up for this adventure. Now, we have a second chapter in Charlotte, NC (established in 2017). This year, between the two chapters, we hosted 128 young men who were eager to participate in the 4-day, life-changing exploration of leadership and empowerment, 45% returned from previous years. I am proud of the young men that have participated in The 13th Man – every year define my legacy."

Davon Kelly is an avid believer that for many young men, athletics is a forum that embraces their energy, raw talent and innate need to belong to and excel at something where they can succeed. Over the last five years, Kelly has fine-tuned his "winning combination" of leadership lessons and team sports. A former high school and college basketball athlete since 2003, he has taught the value of sportsmanship as an assistant varsity basketball coach at Episcopal High School in Alexandria, VA.

The fifth Annual 13th Man Summer Classic was held at the Marriott Conference Center in Hyattsville, Maryland from July 25th to July 28, 2019. Since its inception, young men between the ages of 12-18 have received free lodging, meals, and a program focused on empowerment, development and leadership engagements. The 13th Man strives to create the next generation of well-rounded leaders that are civic and community minded, and academic focused. The organization accomplishes this goal by instilling leadership skills, providing mentoring, personal development, and enrichment activities throughout the year. A cadre of alumni members return to help photograph, chaperon, and lead teams during the Summer Classics program.

The highlights of the [Summer Classics](#) (a must-see video) include:

How Can You Help?

1. Make a [donation](#);
2. Help this organization go viral by posting our videos and sharing this success with your business and social networks;
3. Support the 13th Man Annual Charity Golf Tournament, at Norbeck Country Club in Rockville, MD on September 16th. Sponsorship opportunities and registration are available at the website. Please visit [the 13th Man](#) or at (301) 429-8807.

- **LEADERSHIP SESSIONS:** Participants ask business and civic leaders about career, personal life lessons, and goals.
 - **Leadership Topics:** Commanding the Room; Starting Your Own Business; Effective and Successful Leadership; Overcoming Life's Challenges; Making the Next Step to Becoming a Man
 - **Motivation:** Panel of leaders from the Civil Rights Movement and daily inspirational speakers
 - **Teambuilding:** Terrapin Adventures (an outdoor obstacle course)



- **ENRICHMENT ACTIVITIES:** SkyZone, Block Party with 3 video vans, and a talent show.
- **MENTORING:** Many of the participants do not have male role models in their lives. The 13th Man has a strong mentorship component: men helping boys and young men to become MEN.
 - Four-course dinner the last night of the program hosted by a table mentor from a variety of industries: Law, Real Estate Development, IT, Education, Business, and Law Enforcement.
 - Every evening ends with a session called **Guy Talk** that provides an opportunity to ask questions and express feelings in a safe place.

About The 13th Man

The 13th Man was founded by E. Davon Kelly in 2015. There are two chapters: Washington, DC (2015) and Charlotte, NC (2017). The free [Summer Classics \(the energy is palpable\)](#) the 13th Man's signature event, are held in the spring (Charlotte) and summer (DC). The programs focus on life skills and enrichment activities that encourage participants to become leaders in their communities and learn how to be accountable for their actions and decisions. The 13th Man is financially supported by sponsors and the annual 13th Man Charity Golf Event.

For more information, contact the 13th Man at 301.429.8807 or visit [the 13th Man](#).

About EDK Companies

Headquartered in Landover, Maryland, [NOVAD Management Consulting](#) employs over 125 nationwide. NOVAD's services include project and program management, process re-engineering, loan servicing and financial advisory services. The award-winning My Barber's Lounge opened in Greenbelt in 2012 and Forestville in 2013. The Barbershops were recipients of the 2013 Best of Gazette newspaper's award, Steve Harvey's Neighborhood Award for Best Barbershop in 2014 and the 2016 Greenbelt Small Business Excellence Award. Salon DK opened in 2017 in Bowie, Maryland. The 13th Man is also supported by Davon Kelly's inspiring book, [From Courtside to the Boardroom: A Legacy in the Making](#).