

## Stephen J. Czech Receives Miracle Maker Leadership Award

## at the 2012 Expect Miracles Awards



(April 9, 2012 – New York, NY) *Expect Miracles Foundation*, formerly Mutual Funds Against Cancer, is proud to announce Stephen J. Czech as a winner of the Inspirational Contributor Award at the 2012 Expect Miracles Awards presented on April 5<sup>th</sup> at *Institutional Investor's* 19<sup>th</sup> Annual Mutual Funds Award Gala at the Mandarin Oriental Hotel in New York City.

Sponsored by American Century Investments and presented by Expect Miracles Foundation, the Expect Miracles Awards recognize individuals and firms within the Wall Street community for their outstanding support, commitment, and dedication to the fight

against cancer. The Miracle Maker Leadership Award recognizes an individual at an executive or board level who has demonstrated a long-standing personal leadership role in cancer advocacy.

Czech, CIO and Managing Partner of Czech Asset Management, L.P., was awarded a 2012 Miracle Maker Leadership Award for his extensive work funding the study of DIPG brain tumors, one of the most aggressive and deadliest forms of brain tumors diagnosed in children between the ages of three and sixteen.

Czech and his wife Jennifer established The Mikey Czech Foundation ("MCF") in 2008, after their only son Mikey, age 11, passed away from a rare inoperable brain cancer. The Mikey Czech Foundation is dedicated to financing the creation and operation of a translational research laboratory for the study of DIPG brain tumors.

MCF has raised approximately \$1.5 million in the past three years and continues to raise funds to reach its \$6.0 million goal. This quarter, the MCF will be contributing \$500,000 to the Dana-Farber Cancer Institute/Harvard Medical School to fund a clinical trial that, for the first time ever, will enable oncologists to biopsy DIPG tumors and determine their molecular make up.

In addition to raising funds and contributing a minimum of 10% of his personal profits each year to The Mikey Czech Foundation, Czech personally counsels parents & families of DIPG patients and assists them with locating the best available treatments. For more information about the MCF, please visit the website at <u>www.mikeyczech.org</u>.

About Expect Miracles Foundation:

Expect Miracles Foundation, formerly Mutual Funds Against Cancer, is one of the leading advocates in the fight against cancer within the financial service industry. Proceeds benefit cancer patient care initiatives nation-wide and cutting edge research at the Belfer Institute for Applied Cancer Science at the Dana-Farber Cancer Institute. To learn more visit www.expectmiraclesfoundation.org

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