

# 2012 PAN AMERICAN CHAMPIONSHIPS

## 3 LOCAL SOUTHERN ONTARIO YOUTH CLIMBERS REPRESENTING CANADA

Charle, Sam and Courtney have been accepted to represent Canada and participate in the 2012 Pan American Youth Championships in Santiago, Chile in mid-November.

These awesome kids have worked very hard throughout the 2011/12 season in order to qualify for this event. Competitive climbing is a relatively new sport in Canada and as such, receives no government funding. All travel and related expenses must be paid by the individual athletes through self funding or donation/fundraising. The expenses to compete in Chile are over \$3000 per climber.

For these young Canadians to qualify to compete on the international stage is difficult enough and requires a great deal of dedication to the climbing discipline.

Any donation, however small, to overcome the financial hurdle is a great way to support these Canadian kids as they compete on the international stage and beyond.

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***Let's help these three great kids show the Americas what kind of talent comes from Canada***



#### **Charle - Age 15**

The experience of competing at the International level is one which every competitive climber hopes to achieve. In August Charle represented Canada in the World Youth Climbing Championships in Singapore. Charle now has the opportunity to once again compete at this level and will bring her enthusiasm and love of sport with her throughout the journey.



#### **Sam - Age 12**

This past year, the 2011/12 season, Sam placed 1st in many local competitions, was awarded the Provincial Championship for Difficulty, and finished the Ontario Series with an overall placing of 2nd. He has also competed at the National level for the past two seasons. He is training with an increased vigour and enthusiasm as he prepares for this amazing opportunity.



#### **Courtney - Age 12**

Courtney has earned first place in the Canadian National Climbing Championships over the last three years in her respective division. In 2010 Courtney competed in the 2010 Continental Climbing Championships, and was one of only three Canadians that had won a medal. Courtney knows what to expect at this level of competition, and has been training hard to meet the challenge.