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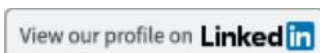
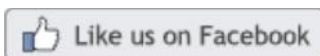


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#### Dear Sonya,

I want to extend a big congratulations to our Advisory Board Member and King of Rugby 7's **Waisale Serevi**. Serevi was inducted last week into the [IRB Hall of Fame](#) after a presentation in Hong Kong. Serevi was instrumental in working with the IOC to return Rugby to the 2016 Olympic Games. Congratulations!!



President Sonya  
and King of  
Rugby 7's  
Waisale Serevi

March saw a new community center in New York City implement our Netball education programs and Houston Shooting Stars were busy running clinics for school students. There were 2 tournaments during the month: Crusaders Atlanta had their 6th annual rally, which featured the youth who recently graduated from our GoGirlGo! program and were the first Netball recipients of the Presidential Active Lifestyle Awards, all receiving a badge and signed certificate by President Obama; and International Day was hosted by the Los Angeles Waves which saw various nations compete and the criteria is that each nation had to dress in attire representing their country. You can watch the video [here](#).

We welcome [CallidusCloud](#) back as a platinum sponsor for Netball America for 2013 and look forward to seeing them again at the US Open. Also, a reminder for those expatriates who need assistance in obtaining bank accounts, credit cards etc to contact our sponsor [Advancial Credit Union](#) and just mention Netball. Read below on offers from our other sponsors CSU Fitness and Knockout Sportswear.

If you haven't done so already this will be your last **chance to win a roundtrip plane ticket for 2** anywhere American flies in the continental US, Caribbean, Canada and Mexico. So click [here](#). The ticket will be drawn at the upcoming Houston fundraiser.

We're also excited that our GoGirlGo! and youth programs are kicking off across Atlanta. This is all possible to the grants we received from the Women's Sports Foundation and the NFL team - the Atlanta Falcons.

Be sure to check the [calendar](#) for upcoming events.

Yours in Netball

Sonya Ottaway, President, Netball America  
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## NEW YORK NETBALL YOUTH CHAMPIONSHIPS

Netball America is proud of the work we have achieved in getting the youth of New York playing Netball. Our partnership with the New York City Housing Authority (NYCHA) is one we cherish and you can learn more about our program with NYCHA [here](#).

We are proud to announce the first annual NYCHA Spring Youth Championships for u/12 and u/18's. To help provide the youth with a great experience we need assistance for this event. It runs from 6 to 8pm on Friday May 31 in Manhattan. Please [email us](#) if you can help out.



The poster is for the NYCHA Spring Youth Netball Championships. It features a red background with white and blue text. At the top left are the logos for Netball America and the New York City Housing Authority. The main title is 'NYCHA Spring Youth Netball Championships' in large, bold, white letters. Below the title are two photographs of netball games in progress. To the right of the photos is a text box explaining that netball is similar to basketball but without dribbling, with a smaller ball and basket, no backboard, and designated court areas. The event details are listed: Friday May 31, 2013, Time: 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm, Location: Manhattan, NY. Contact information is provided as info@netballamerica.com. At the bottom, it states 'Open to: Under 12 & Under 18' and includes the website www.NetballAmerica.com.

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# NYCHA Spring Youth Netball Championships



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**Time: 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm**  
**Location: Manhattan, NY**

**Contact:**  
**[info@netballamerica.com](mailto:info@netballamerica.com)**

**Open to:**  
**Under 12 & Under 18**

**[www.NetballAmerica.com](http://www.NetballAmerica.com)**

## EMPOWERING ORPHANED GIRLS

One of the key initiatives of Netball America is giving back to the community. We do this through a variety of partnerships and one such partnership is with the [African Soul, American Heart Boarding School for Orphan Girls](#) located in the Republic of South Sudan.

The youth here are learning Netball and utilizing our



Netball America equipment we sent to them. They find it is a great sport all can participate in and they aim to spread the game throughout their county so they can set up local competitions. We will keep you updated of their progress.

## USA TEAM TRIALS

We are now accepting applications for you to become a part of the most elite Netball Squad in the USA. [Applications are now open](#) for athletes, coaches and managers for our representative and national squads - both adults and youth. The teams had a successful 2012 which saw the teams play in front of over 10,000 people at the homes of the WNBA Seattle Storm, WNBA Atlanta Dream and in Houston, Atlanta and Las Vegas. The first ever American Team represented the USA in South Africa at the World University Championships and our partnership with the Oprah Winfrey Leadership Academy Girls led the team to a special treat in visiting the school and working with their students. Be sure to catch up and watch their [interviews](#).



2013 squad camps will be held across the USA and this year we are excited to open our camps up to the u/18 and encourage middle and high school students to apply. Teams will be competing in various tournaments across the USA, and we have been invited to send our open ladies Team USA and collegiate Team USA to Canada in the summer. So [sign up](#) today!!

## HOUSTON FUNDRAISER

Join us in Houston on Saturday evening **April 20th, 7-10pm** for a fun filled evening featuring American Idol finalist [Michael Johns](#). We are excited to be a guest of the Houston Lonestars Australian Rules Football Club at the Karbach Brewing Co. Tickets are limited and must be purchased in advance [here](#).



**Houston Lonestars Australian Rules Football Club**  
**and Netball America** Invite you to a night of  
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\$25**

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**2032 Karbach Street**  
**Houston, TX 77092**

**When: Saturday, April 20th 2013 7pm - 10pm**

*Includes Beer provided by Karbach Brewery and  
Entertainment provided by Aussie 'American Idol' star Michael Johns  
Non-alcoholic drinks will be provided. Food available for purchase on site.*

**Purchase Tickets at: [www.netballamerica.com](http://www.netballamerica.com)**



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When my daughter turned a year old I decided I had to stop using the excuse "I just had a baby" and do something about dropping those last 10lbs of baby weight. Problem was, as a working mother with a toddler I had no time! When CSU opened up within walking distance from our home in Berkeley I decided to give it a try. One look at the owner Kelli's amazing body told me this woman knows what she is doing. I had never done TRX and was a little awkward at first, but I am now hooked!

The TRX class is only 30 minutes and is a full body work out! In just a month of classes I've lost 4 lbs and feel like the baby flab is slowly melting away. My husband even told me the other day, "your butt feels tighter" which are the sweetest words a woman suffering from a severe case of "mom butt" can ever hear. Do yourself a favor and check it out. I'm so glad I did! (I think my husband is too)

## GOLDEN OLDIES WORLD NETBALL FESTIVAL

How exciting is it to have the opening ceremonies at Sea World, San Diego, California!! Well 70 teams from across the globe will have the chance to find out on October 6. These teams will be participating in the largest Netball event ever held globally. It's not too late to register so [contact us](#) now if you are interested - only requirement is players need to be over 35 years of age, however we need volunteers and officiators for the event. You can read more about the festival [here](#).

For those participating who want new Netball kits be sure to contact [Knockout Sportswear](#) to assist with uniforms, tracksuits and other training gear including netball sport bags. You can view uniform designs [here](#). For teams wanting to arrive earlier/stay later and need further assistance with group bookings for domestic flights, accommodation, cars etc. please email [Tania](#).



## U.S. OPEN NETBALL CHAMPIONSHIPS

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# U.S. OPEN Netball America Championships



**McEachern High School**  
2400 New Macland Rd  
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November 8-10, 2013



Welcome to McEachern High School

**Member Clubs:**





[www.NetballAmerica.com](http://www.NetballAmerica.com)

## EVENT HAPPENINGS



*NZ Mascot getting a cuddle from the Oz Mascot 'Puddy' at International Day*



*President Sonya, American Idol Michael Johns, former tennis pro Torrey Gambill wishing Bryan Bros*



*Atlanta Youth after their games at Crusaders ATL Rally*

*good luck at the BNP  
Paribas Open*

**SAVE THE DATE**

**National Umpire Theory Exams: May 27 to June 3 and September 30 to October 6. [Register today.](#)**

**Houston Fundraiser: April 20th**

**Netball Clinics in North Carolina: April 24th to 26th**

**New York Youth Championships: May 31st**

**Gems Tournament, Atlanta: June 8th**

**New York Summer Camps: July & August**

**Golden Oldies Festival: October 6th to 13th**

**CallidusCloud U.S. Netball America Open, Atlanta: November 8th to 10th**

Happy Playing!

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