

Mountain Climber Bo Parfet Climbs for Kids

KALAMAZOO, Mich. – On Saturday, July 24 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., mountain climber Bo Parfet is stepping up at the Bronson Athletic Club to raise funds for three local charities: the Bronson Health Foundation, the Kalamazoo Nature Center and Specialized Language Development Center. He chose these charities due to their focus on helping kids overcome obstacles and achieve their dreams.

Parfet will use the StepMill® and Precor™ AMT fitness equipment to simulate a climb of Mt. Manaslu in Nepal, which at 26,781 feet (8,163 meters) is the world's eighth tallest mountain. Classified as a professional ski mountaineer, Parfet has traveled the world while conquering the Seven Summits (the highest mountains on every continent). He plans to climb Mt. Manaslu in September.

To donate or register to get sponsors and climb alongside Parfet, call the Kalamazoo Nature Center at (269) 381-1574. For more information, call the Bronson Health Foundation at (269) 341-8100.

The Bronson Athletic Club is located at located at 6789 Elm Valley Drive in Kalamazoo.

The Bronson Health Foundation, a 501(c)(3) charitable organization, was established in 1983 as a means for the generosity and kindness of individuals and organizations to connect with Bronson Methodist Hospital and support its healing mission. The Bronson Health Foundation is located at 301 John Street in Kalamazoo and can be reached at (269) 341-8100.