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OPEN YOUR HEART When Imerman Angels founder **JON IMERMAN** was diagnosed with cancer at age 26 in 2001, he had the best circumstances for a bad situation: great doctors and a strong support network of family and friends. But he didn't have someone to talk to who had gone through the same thing. When Imerman recovered, he decided to do something about that for others. Founded in 2003, Imerman Angels matches cancer fighters with cancer survivors, preferably those who had the same type of cancer, underwent similar treatments and are roughly the same age. Where the relationship develops from there is up to the pair. "One of the greatest benefits is putting fighters in contact with living proof of someone that's beaten it," says Imerman. The organization has been steadily gaining steam—often with high-profile events at clubs like Le Passage and Rockit—and continues to expand its services across the country. "The most beautiful part," says Imerman, "is when a fighter becomes a survivor." www.imermanangels.org, 312.643.5560.

CHARITY RUNNERS-UP: **FAYE'S LIGHT** provides much-appreciated free spa services to those undergoing treatment for cancer. www.fayeslight.org, 708.431.3643.
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