



Hail, Our Conquering Hero!

"The mind can conquer any limitations which the body puts on it." So states Joe Perez, and he ought to know. Joseph Perez is accustomed to living his life on this basis. Since Joe was born with cerebral palsy, the prognosis was that he'd never walk. He did. Joe has gone from braces and crutches to take the ultimate walk. he finished the New York City Marathon in six hours and twenty minutes.

As a member of the Achilles Track Club, a special division (for handicapped runners) of the Roadrunners Club, Joe trained for seven months at the Sports Training Center of the Hospital for Special Surgery. As of now, Joe may be in the Guiness Book of Records as the first quadriplegic to ever finish a 26.2 mile marathon.

What's next, well, now Joe can get back to his first love which is weight-lifting; his present goal is to be a participant in the 1988 Olympics in Seoul, Korea as a power lifter. If anyone can do it, he can.

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