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Ryan Hreljac has already laid a wreath with Prince Charles, dined with Prince Edward at Buckingham Palace, attended church with Queen Elizabeth, appeared a couple of times on the Oprah Winfrey Show, collaborated for years with Dr. Jane Goodall and received communion from Saint John Paul II. And he is still only 27 years old. His organization has helped raise millions of dollars to bring clean water to more than 900,000 people in sixteen developing countries around the world. Ryan has received numerous awards including the Order of Ontario, the Canadian Meritorious Service Medal, the Top 20 under 20 Youth Award, and World of Children's Founder Award. Ryan's work has also been featured in dozens of textbooks and hundreds of books and magazines including Time, Christian Science Monitor, People Magazine, and Reader's Digest. He is recognized by UNICEF as a Global Youth Leader and by CNN as a CNN Hero. The work of the Ryan's Well Foundation has become the story of countless people, young and old, from around the world who ignore apathy and realize that anyone – even kids in grade one – can make a difference.