

Festival of Trees 2009

A Benefit Gala Event to support Special Olympics Wyoming Information Sheet

Teddy Bear Tea

- Date of Event: Sunday, November 29, 2009
1:00 to 3:00 p.m.
- Description of Event: As a “sneak peek” to the Festival of Trees, this is an afternoon to bring children together to visit with Santa Claus; add a new Teddy Bear to the “Teddy Bear Tree”; enjoy strolling through the decorated trees; sip hot tea; eat warm cookies; and most of all vote for your favorite tree. Various seasonal entertainment will fill the afternoon to complete a truly unique family holiday outing.
- Goal: To raise awareness for Special Olympics Wyoming programs, promote the Festival of Trees and determine the Peoples Choice award for favorite tree.
- Tickets: Donation of a new Teddy Bear.

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- Date of Event: Tuesday, December 1, 2009
6:00 p.m. Cocktails, Hors d' oeuvres and Silent Auction
7:00 p.m. Live Auction
- Description of Event: Our 21st annual event is an auction of fully decorated Christmas trees, wreaths, stockings, and items donated by individuals or local businesses. The event begins at 6:00 p.m. with a silent auction, cocktails and hors d' oeuvres, the live auction begins and lasts until approximately 10:00 p.m.
- Goal: To raise much needed funds and awareness for Special Olympics Wyoming statewide programs while educating an audience of more than 600 guests about the mission of Special Olympics Wyoming.
- Tickets: \$50.00 per person or \$75.00 per couple.
- Sponsorship: Sponsorships for this event range from decorating an auction item up to a \$25,000 Platinum sponsorship. Trees are purchased and decorated by a company, organization or individual and auctioned off to the highest bidder.
- Location: Boys & Girls Club of Central Wyoming • 1701 K Street • Casper
- Format: Upon arrival, guests are greeted by Special Olympics athletes and enjoy an evening of entertainment, hors d' oeuvres, cocktails, strolling among decorated trees and a selection of auction items.
- Master of Ceremonies: Brian Scott
- Auctioneer: Dan Sullivan
- Auction Spotter: Ashley Bright
- Sponsors: Numerous corporate sponsors will kick start the event. Our hope is that all expenses associated with the event will have been covered through “sponsorship donations” made in advance.

Special Olympics Wyoming

Mission	The mission of Special Olympics is to provide year-round sports training and competition in a variety of Olympic-type sports for children and adults with intellectual disabilities, giving them continuing opportunities to develop physical fitness, demonstrate courage, experience joy, and participate in the sharing of gifts, skills and friendship with their families, other Special Olympics athletes and the community.
Who we are:	Special Olympics Wyoming is designated as a not-for-profit 501(c)(3) organization by the Internal Revenue Service. Special Olympics Wyoming provides year-round opportunities for sports training and athletic competition for children and adults with intellectual disabilities. Currently over 1000 athletes and thousands of volunteers, family members, and friends take part in the activities of Special Olympics Wyoming.
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