

# The Torch Bearer

The Newsletter of the Law Enforcement Torch Run to Support Special Olympics Wyoming



## Summer 2017

### 2017 Torch Runs

We braved the snow and the heat, we honored our athletes, and remarkably brought the Flame of Hope to our 2017 Summer Games despite the weather!



Thank you!

THANK YOU!



### And now it's Summer!

#### Tip a Cop

Those Cheyenne officers are something else!  
Another successful year with more than \$ 9,000 raised –  
Wow –  
Thank you!



#### Bridger Valley Style

Uinta County Officers teams up and sold Hamburgers – a lot of Hamburgers! Again, thank you!



## Program Activities

### Golf Clinic

- Tuesday, July 18<sup>th</sup>, 3:30 to 5:00 pm in Casper – the Golf Clinic is designed for athletes and golfers without an intellectual disability interested in playing Unified Sports® Golf. Our Unified Sports Golf Tournament has teams of two playing a nine hole alternate shot competition. All Golfers are welcome!



### Summer Sports Classic

- Friday, August 4<sup>th</sup> and Saturday, August 5<sup>th</sup> in Casper



We are adding Bocce this year, FOP in Casper will be cooking lunch on Friday. Volunteers in all capacities are needed, please contact [Regan Diller](#) if you are available or interested.

## Fundraising Opportunities

### Pigskin Madness

#### Weekly Giveaway – 17 Weeks

Highest .....	\$ 200
Second Highest .....	\$ 100
Third Highest .....	\$ 80
Fourth Highest .....	\$ 60
Fifth Highest .....	\$ 40
Sixth Highest .....	\$ 20
Lowest .....	\$ 20

Pigskin Madness is a \$ 20.00 game of chance!

Each Ticket has four randomly selected professional football teams for each of the 17 weeks of regular season play.

At the end of every week, all the scores on your ticket are added together, and several tickets with the highest (and lowest) total scores win cash prizes. This

year we have added a year-end bonus of \$ 500 for the overall total high points

Raffle sales close Wednesday, September 6<sup>th</sup>. For a ticket order form, click [here](#).



### Fire Truck Pull

**WHAT A one-day event with teams competing to pull a Fire Truck fifteen feet in the fastest time.**

**WHEN Saturday, August 26, 2017, 10:00 am**

**WHERE Frontier Mall Parking Lot - Dell Range Blvd. - Cheyenne**



#### HOW

- Each team consists of 10 people.
- Each team will have a Special Olympics athlete assigned to them as their 'manager.'
- Divisions will be determined by weight
- Each team pays a \$ 250 entrance fee to compete. All fees are donated to Special Olympics.
- Teams have the option to pay a basic entrance fee or set-up a First-Giving page and collect pledges.

#### RULES

- Teams are placed in divisions by weight ~ each team will be weighed at Registration.
- The pull is 15 feet.
- The winner is based strictly on time.

### T-Shirts



Our Merchandise opportunities are a great way to support fundraising efforts and promote Law Enforcement has with Special Olympics Wyoming.

Albertsons and Safeway Stores across the west are collecting funds for Special Olympics and people with disabilities in the month of July. Stop by your local store and let them know we appreciate their support. Better yet – take an athlete with you!



## And... There are lots of opportunities through the fall

- Area I Fall Tournament in Lander – Friday, September 22<sup>nd</sup>.
- Area II Fall Tournament in Green River – Saturday, September 16<sup>th</sup>.
- Area III Fall Tournament in Cheyenne - Thursday, September 21<sup>st</sup>.
- Area IV Fall Tournament in Sheridan – Friday, September 22<sup>nd</sup>.
- Area V Fall Tournament in Casper – Saturday, September 23<sup>rd</sup>.
- State Fall Tournament will be held in Casper, October 4-6<sup>th</sup> offering competition in Cycling, Tennis, Soccer, and Bowling



## More fundraising opportunities:

- World's Largest Truck Convoy Saturday, September 16<sup>th</sup> in Cheyenne
- Indian Taco Feed ~ October in Douglas
- Pancakes Dinners?
- Strikes for SO?

## Special Olympics Wyoming Thanks the 2017 Sponsors Law Enforcement Torch Run Sponsors

### Guardian of the Flame



### Silver Medal



### Bronze Medal

Traders Publishing ☆ Lollypops – Saratoga, Wyoming  
Memorial Hospital of Converse County ☆ Wyoming Otolaryngology  
Salvation Army ☆ Uinta County Meth Coalition ☆ Short Powerline Service

### Torch Run Council

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### 2017 Summer Games Opening Ceremonies



We encourage you to reach out to the Torch Run Council for support and ideas.