

# 2017 Festival of Trees

Special Olympics  
Wyoming



## A Benefit Gala Event to support Special Olympics Wyoming

### Teddy Bear Tea

When: Sunday, November 26, 2017

2:00 to 4:00 p.m.

Where: Central Wyoming Fair Grounds; Industrial Building

What: 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 cookies; and most of all vote for the favorite tree. Having your picture with Santa completes a truly unique family holiday outing.

Why: To raise awareness for Special Olympics Wyoming programs, promote the Festival of Trees and determine the People's Choice award for favorite tree.

How: Donation of a new Teddy Bear



### Festival of Trees

When: Tuesday, November 28, 2017

6:00 p.m. Cocktails, Hors d'oeuvres  
and Silent Auction

7:00 p.m. Live Auction

Where: Central Wyoming Fair Grounds; Industrial Building

What: Our 29<sup>th</sup> annual gala 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 at 7:00 p.m. and lasts until approximately 9:00 p.m.

Goal: To raise much needed funds and awareness for Special Olympics Wyoming statewide programs while educating an audience of more than 500 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.

Format: Upon arrival, guests are greeted by Special Olympics athletes and enjoy an evening of, hors d'oeuvres, cocktails, strolling among decorated trees and a selection of auction items.

Master of Ceremonies:

Dustin Beck

Auctioneer: Malik Hegge

Auction Spotters

Ashley & Taylor Bright,  
Bob Thunselle,  
Ron Casalenda,  
Mike Burnett



### Special Olympics Wyoming

Special Olympics Wyoming is designated as a not-for-profit 501 [c](3) organization by the Internal Revenue Service.

In 2017 nearly 1,800 athletes and partners reaped the benefits of participation, including young athletes, our traditional athletes age 8 to 80+ and Unified Sports® partners.

Thousands of volunteers, family members and friends are essential to the every day success of Special Olympics Wyoming.

**Transforming lives  
through  
participation in sports.**