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We showed up for our Fall Classic but it felt much more like Winter Games. Not to be deterred, 297 faithful braved the wind, cold and soggy conditions to roll their way into Bocce immortality.

Participation at this event is on a steady upward trajectory since it’s inception in 2016.

A huge shout-out to the Dakota Wesleyan University baseball team for the muscle to transport and set up the courts and for the hours spent officiating the matches.

These young men displayed character beyond their tender years. Be proud DWU... you have some outstanding individuals in your midst.

Our softball players enjoyed much milder temperatures and drier conditions over the weekend as we ran, hit and slid through our 36th annual tournament.

Thank you Mitchell for hosting another outstanding event!
Although this was our 31st installment of this tournament, in many ways it was a year of firsts.

On Friday night we enjoyed our Opening Ceremony and karaoke in the intimate and cozy courtyard at the Best Western Ramkota complex.

We also discovered a very wonderful facility at the Yelduz Shrine Center where our banquet, awards presentations and dance were held on Saturday evening.

A huge THANK YOU to the Village Bowl and Al, Donna and crew for allowing us and the 517 participating athletes to share your space for three solid days. We very much appreciate you. Thank you Aberdeen for the outstanding volunteer and media support. We would also like to thank our Games Organizing Committee for the your dedication to this event. You’re the best!

Tournament Hosts
Village Bowl
Donna, Al & Staff

Organizing Committee
Kim Benning
Amy Buechler
Cate Diede
Tevan Fischbach

Bowling
Kim Benning - Announcer
Amy Buechler - Medical

Facilities
Wright & Sudlow - Barriers

Saturday Banquet & Dance
Aberdeen ABATE - Security
Academy Trophy - Spirit Award
Celebration Entertainment
Aberdeen Area Hub City Express Parents

Volunteer Hospitality
Avera St. Luke’s Hospital

Volunteers
A special thanks to Northern State University students and all volunteers who graciously donated your time and talent to us.

In Memory of Art Henninger
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The Koehler Organization
Tom & Barbara Paepke

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2018 Gert Lutz Spirit Award Winner
Brookings athlete Zeke Aquino

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Thank You!
Unified sport participant numbers continue to grow. This trend holds true for Unified bowling, with our 344 bowlers surpassing our previous record number from 2015.

In addition to our doubles competition on Saturday and our team competition on Sunday, our athletes enjoyed food, bingo and karaoke at the Unify Center on Saturday evening.

This was our 14th annual tournament.

A huge thank you to Missy Hill, Abbie Benz, Sadie Benz, Katie O’Brien and all who helped at this event for being amazing volunteers. We would also like to extend a special thank you to the staff at Eastway Bowl for once again being such gracious hosts. We appreciate you!

Our Sponsors

May someone be as kind to you as you have been to us.

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The Konechne Family
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In Memory of Jim Hornby

In Memory of Dustin Ganschow
Orthotic & Prosthetic Specialties, Inc.
Gregg & Jennifer Olson - In Honor of Noah Pierce
First Presbyterian Church, Sioux Falls - In Honor of Matt Jacobson

Thank You!
Development

The Modern Woodmen Night

The Modern Woodmen of America, in partnership with the Sioux Falls Stampede, will be hosting their annual Matching Funds Project this spring.

We are again honored to be the recipient of these proceeds. Please join us!

March 02, 2019

The annual Christmas at the Capitol display in Pierre includes nearly 100 trees that are decorated by volunteers from communities, schools, churches, nonprofit organizations and state government offices. This year’s Grand Lighting Ceremony took place in the rotunda on Tuesday, November 20th. The display was open to the public through Tuesday, December 25.

A huge thank you to Pierre resident and friend of SOSD, Dawn Hill, for securing our position as the featured tree and for decorating the tree so beautifully.

We are grateful and honored!

2018 Dale Dickmeyer Memorial Foundation Golf Tournament

The 2018 Dale Dickmeyer Memorial Foundation Golf Tournament and Silent Auction fundraiser was held on June 1, 2018 at Spring Creek Golf Course. The event was a wonderful success raising over $10,000 for local charities. These contributions will assist the organizations in their efforts to positively influence lives in the community which was Dale’s passion.

SOSD was one of three charities sharing these funds.

“We started this fundraiser to continue Dale’s legacy and celebrate the life of Teri Dickmeyer. Every year we are amazed at the generosity of our friends, family, and local businesses. We did not know what to expect when we started the tournament. We’ve exceeded our expectations and know Dale would be humbled and proud.”

A huge “Thank You” to the Dale Dickmeyer Memorial Foundation for this generous contribution. Save the date for next year’s event: Friday, May 31, 2019.

SOSD has graciously been chosen as a recipient of a $50,000 grant commitment in 2019 from the SD Council on Developmental Disabilities. The grant will be used to help grow the Unified Champion Schools (UCS) programming across the state.

Unified Champion Schools brings youth with and without intellectual disabilities together through education and sports and related initiatives that provide them with knowledge, attitudes and skills necessary to create and sustain school communities that promote acceptance, respect, and human dignity for all students.

Julie Briggs, VP of Outreach for SOSD states, “The grant will make a huge impact on our UCS program in developing new and existing schools in South Dakota.”

Please Keep Us in Mind with Your Estate Plans

- You can name Special Olympics South Dakota as a beneficiary in your will.
- You can name Special Olympics South Dakota as a beneficiary in your insurance policies.
- You can name Special Olympics South Dakota as a beneficiary in your retirement accounts.
- You can even donate appreciated stock today without any capital gains to report… a huge tax savings!

Contact Darryl Nordquist, President/CEO for more info

I Choose to Include

I pledge to look for those who are left out, lonely or bullied.
I pledge to overcome the fear of difference and replace it with the power of inclusion.
I #ChooseToInclude

Spread the Word: Inclusion 03.06.19
Volunteers do everything there is to do for Special Olympics and more. They are fundraisers, cheerleaders, administrators, food handlers, chauffeurs, chaperones, trainers, coaches, publicists, policy makers, trash collectors and friends.

You serve without salary, without recognition, without honors or awards. Special Olympics could not do without you - your devotion, your work and your love.

Each year it is the pleasure of Special Olympics South Dakota to recognize our Outstanding Award Winners. These individuals and groups contribute their time, talents and resources in support of SOSD. They are the driving force behind our success.

So “thank you” volunteer! You represent the highest values of the human spirit. You get your thanks, not in money or words or praise, but through what you do for Special Olympics and our athletes.

2018 AWARD WINNERS

**Spirit of a Champion Award - Noah Pierce, Sioux Falls Fireworks**

Noah participates in basketball, softball, bocce, bowling, soccer and track and field. He is a busy man. This wasn’t always the case for Noah. Before he started Special Olympics he was merely a spectator at his brothers sporting events. He was hesitant at first, but once he got a taste of the action he was hooked.

Over the past seven years Noah has grown tremendously. He is more confident and outgoing these days and he has made a lot of new friends through his participation in Special Olympics.

Noah is currently attending Augustana University in the Augie Access program and this past winter he completed an internship at SOSD. He proved himself to be hard working and dependable.

Noah is not only a fabulous person, he is a tremendous athlete. At the 2014 USA Games in New Jersey he scored 17 points in the semi-final game alone. His team eventually won the silver medal.

This summer his softball team won the gold medal at the 2018 USA Games in Seattle.

Congratulations, Noah. You are a inspiration to us all.

NOMINEES:
- Michael Foote, Spearfish Peaks
- Micah Kallhoff, Sioux Falls Fireworks
- Mike Murfield, Sioux Falls Fireworks
- JR Rowcliffe, Rapid City Flame
- Ammee Schwender, Spearfish Peaks

**Don Baker Award - Dakota Beverage, Sioux Falls**

Dakota Beverage has been a partner of Special Olympics South Dakota since 2008. They have been an amazing partner in providing signage and banners through their sign shop for countless fundraising events as well as competitions.

Over these past 10 years Dakota Beverage has donated over $100,000 in cash and in-kind support. The monetary total of their gifts is huge, but their willingness to produce advertising items for us at literally a moments notice has been invaluable. They are simply a wonderful partner.

Dakota Beverage has gone above and beyond in support of our mission. Many thanks to the entire team at Dakota Beverage!

NOMINEES:
- Cathy Grubb, Belle Fourche

**Ron Stewart Award Coach Of The Year - Cort Hansen, Sioux Falls Fireworks**

Cort has been a Special Olympics volunteer since he was 14 years old. He has always had a passion for helping and making a difference for those in need. He is a gifted teacher and coach.

On the playing field, Cort gets the most out of his athletes and Unified partners, while never losing sight of the true meaning of Special Olympics… sportsmanship, effort and joy.

Cort has excelled in the roles of Unified partner as well as a Coach. But even more importantly, over the past nine years he has developed into a passionate advocate for those with disabilities. He invites athletes to join him for community events, for lunch and to his home to just hang out.

Cort, you are truly a leader in this inclusion revolution and we are honored to present you with this award.

NOMINEES:
- Leslie Antonsen, Pierre
- Peggy Heckel, Spearfish Peaks
- Amy Jobgen, Rapid City Storm
- Kelsey Klosterman, Brookings Area
- Tracey Steinbach, Spearfish Peaks
Jackson has become a steady presence at most area and state events held in the Black Hills Area. His volunteer roles are diverse. At his very first event, he distributed lunches, umpired and prepped fields... and that was a single days effort. We must have gotten him good because he came back the following day and he’s been back for many, many events since. At the area basketball tournament he ran skills, refereed, managed the referees, took photos and helped clean up at the end. He literally sees a need and fills that need without being told. If that’s not enough, he can be counted on to recruit volunteers at a moments notice. Jackson is reliable, cheerful and enthusiastic. When he’s helping, you can literally leave him in charge and know the job will be done well. Plus, he will have lots of fun doing it.

Congratulations, Jackson. We are very lucky to have you on our team!

NOMINEES:
• Bob Arnold, Sioux Falls
• Nicole & Todd Craig, Rapid City
• JD & Laura Young, Belle Fourche

For the past five years, folks at Visit Spearfish have been our Volunteer Clearing House for our State Summer Games. This is a huge undertaking.... dealing with event coordinators and approximately 400 volunteers, plus being in charge of the volunteer registration and distribution of volunteer t-shirts is very challenging.

Also, Visit Spearfish has been donation $1000 per year in support of these Games.

The following is an excerpt from a correspondence with Executive Director Mistie Caldwell. This is a testament to this organizations dedication to our cause.

“Thank you for trusting Spearfish again to host SOSD’s State Summer Games. Over two days of competition there was a grand total of 467 volunteer shifts filled. Our office logged 36.5 hours in volunteer coordination efforts. I have reached out to the group in Vermilion and have offered to meet with them to help them develop a process for volunteers.”

The support we receive from this group is phenomenal and it’s fair to say no one does it better. Thank you Visit Spearfish!

NOMINEES:
• Chesterman Co / Coca-Cola Bottling Co, Sioux Falls
• Colton Nickelson, Spearfish
• Culvers of Spearfish, Spearfish
• Spearfish Middle School Student Council, Spearfish

Jason was the president of the Parkston Area team for many years. He still plays an important part for the team by heading up the polar plunge.

Jolyn is the current HOD and an amazing one at that. She is organized, devoted and makes sure all coaches and athletes know the rules and are in compliance with all requirements.

Tyler is Carly’s big brother. As a high school student he never missed a practice or event. With college and work Tyler is a busy man, but he comes around whenever possible. He’s even turned his friends into Carly supporters and Special Olympics champions.

And they do it because of Carly. Carly is fun, unselfish, dependable and polite. She is growing up to be independent, social and very talented. Carly not only has the support of her immediate family, but she is very fortunate to have a large, supportive extended family.

Thank you for being a champion for Carly and Special Olympics South Dakota.

NOMINEES:
• Fred Rauscher Family, Aberdeen
• JD Young Family, Belle Fourche
SPECIAL OLYMPICS SOUTH DAKOTA

MORE 2018 AWARD WINNERS

Unity Award - TeaLayna Hill, Belle Fourche

Tea has been a Unified partner and a champion for inclusion for the past 6 years, first at Belle Fourche High School and now at the University of Wyoming. Her commitment to Unified sports and people with disabilities played an important role in her high school becoming a Unified Champion School.

While in high school, Tea was a driving force behind the STWTETW campaign, Polar Plunges and getting her classmates with ID involved in school culture and events. She isn’t the type of person to do these deeds for any reasons other than she truly cares about the well being and happiness of those with disabilities.

Tea was a Unified partner in basketball, bocce and bowling and was a coach/mentor in all other sports. And what a role model! One of her classmates asked Cathy Grubb, “How can I get more involved in Special Olympics? I want to be just like Tea!”

This past July, Tea attended the 2018 USA Games in Seattle as a Unified partner. She was double gold medalist in sport of Unified Bocce Doubles and Unified Bocce Team.

NOMINEES:
- Jill Deuter-Maliske, Brookings
- Mikey Kocer, Sioux Falls

Congratulations to Spearfish Peaks Athlete Trevor Tridle for being selected to represent South Dakota and the USA at the Special Olympics World Games Abu Dhabi 2019!

Please show your love for Special Olympics by nominating the deserving people in your life for a 2019 SOSD Outstanding Award!

Nomination forms are due in the SOSD office by May 21, 2019. Look for a form at your Area and State Games. Forms can also be found on our homepage at www.sosd.org.

Special Olympics Unified Champion Schools

Special Olympics Unified Champion Schools is a comprehensive program of the Unified Schools strategy that combines Unified Sports, Inclusive Youth Leadership and Whole School Engagement to create opportunities for social inclusion and athletic competition.

Want to help foster social inclusion in your school?
Contact Julie Briggs
jbriggs@sosd.org / 605.331.4117

2019 Scarf Project

- Primary color is gray (any shade)
- Crafters choice of up to two accent colors
- All winter wearables will be loved (i.e. scarves, hats, mittens, head bands)
- Our goal is 500 pieces
- Due date is March 1, 2019

SAVE THE DATE!

What: Unified Sports Rivalry Series Basketball Game
When: January 18, 2019
Where: Barnett Center, Aberdeen
Time: Halftime of both Northern vs Augustana women’s and men’s basketball games
Women 5:30 pm tip-off
Men 7:30 pm tip-off

Congratulations to Spearfish Peaks Athlete Trevor Tridle for being selected to represent South Dakota and the USA at the Special Olympics World Games Abu Dhabi 2019!
2019 World Games Final Leg Runner Selected

As an important part of the World Games, the Law Enforcement Torch Run Final Leg® for Special Olympics will heighten awareness and take the message of Special Olympics to every corner of the United Arab Emirates on this extensive run leading up to the World Games in Abu Dhabi. Law Enforcement officials and Special Olympics athletes, unified together as a part of the Final Leg Team, will serve as true Guardians of the Flame™ and promote the powerful messages of inclusion, acceptance, and ability every step of our Final Leg journey to promote the 2019 World Games.

The Law Enforcement Torch Run Final Leg will kick off on March 3, 2019 and end on March 14, 2019. Out of a pool of law enforcement, Alexandra Lux was chosen to represent South Dakota as one of the Final Leg runners. Lexi has been a great advocate for Special Olympics South Dakota and Law Enforcement Torch Run events for many years. She has been a part of the Northern Hills Polar Plunge as well as Tip A Cop planning committee, completed multiple South Dakota Torch Runs, helped coordinate a united bowling event in Spearfish, sold LETR Shirts and Pigskin tickets, and has volunteered at numerous Special Olympics events. Officer Lux currently works at the Spearfish Police Department. Next time you see Lexi, make sure to congratulate her!

Prizes for 2018 included:

2018 was once again another successful year for the Pigskin Madness Raffle! 2,263 tickets were sold and over $45,260 was raised for Special Olympics South Dakota!
In 2018, the LETR hosted two Tip a Cop fundraisers across South Dakota. October 25, the Applebee’s in Spearfish allowed us to host an event that helped raise over $2,300! The Sioux Falls at Texas Roadhouse also hosted an event on December 18 & 19th.

Tip a Cop allows law enforcement officers to put down their handcuffs for the night and volunteer as special “servers” at local participating restaurants. These officers, along with the help of local athletes, assist in serving drinks and clear tables while working for “tips” for Special Olympics South Dakota.

The goal for 2019 is to host several Tip a Cop fundraisers at various restaurants across the state. These events are held throughout the year and are a great way to support Special Olympics South Dakota while enjoying a delicious meal!

If you have interest in hosting one of these events in your area, please let us know.

It was another great year for both of our Truck Convos! The Sioux Falls Convoy was held on September 21-22 followed by the Rapid City Convoy on September 28-29. These annual events unite Law Enforcement personnel and truck drivers in an effort to raise funds and awareness for Special Olympics athletes.

Sioux Falls had another great year with the event being held at the W.H. Lyon Fairgrounds in Sioux Falls. Along with the actual convoy, multiple activities were held during this two day celebration, including a Texas Hold’em tournament, lead truck bidding, truck show, live auction, raffles and award presentations. 187 registered truckers payed a minimum of $100 to participate on the new route around Sioux Falls, and helped raise over $70,000 for Special Olympics South Dakota. This was our largest convoy to date in South Dakota.

The 5th Annual Rapid City Convoy was held at its new home at Black Hills Harley-Davidson and was a huge success! 87 registered drivers helped raise over $31,000 for Special Olympics South Dakota. The route was from Black Hills Harley-Davidson down Deadwood Ave., to Omaha St. then back using both interstates. We know everyone had a great time and can’t wait to make next year’s event even bigger, better and louder!

Thank you to all of the participants and their families, sponsors, Law Enforcement Torch Run officers, athletes and their families, and wonderful volunteers who helped make the 2018 Truck Convos in South Dakota the 2nd largest Truck Convoy in the world!

For those interested in purchasing a Truck Convoy calendar, please contact the Special Olympics South Dakota State Office at 800-585-2114. The calendars are in and can be purchased for $15 each. Get them while they last!

For all things Truck Convos, please check us out here:

www.sdconvoy.org

2019 Torch Run Contacts

James Smit of Belle Fourche is still our Director for the South Dakota LETR program for 2018-2019. Please feel free to contact the individuals below for anything LETR related.

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Asst. Director Jon Cole
Vermillion Police Department
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Todd Bradwisch
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Amy Crawford
Asst. Torch Run Liaison
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Plane Pull

2018 marked the first ever Plane Pull for Special Olympics South Dakota and really proved to be a memorable one for everyone who participated. We had 10 strong and brave teams of 10 members each who pulled a 65,000 lb. aircraft to help raise $20,000 for Special Olympics South Dakota. This ultimate man (and woman) vs. machine event was held at Maverick Air Center Saturday, July 14.

We are already getting plans together to make our 2019 event is bigger and better than ever! Many teams after the event had described this team building experience as something unforgettable fun that will be most definitely be a yearly competition for them to take part in. Are you strong enough to pull a plane at next year’s competition Saturday, June 22, 2019?

For those interested in purchasing a Plane Pull calendar, please contact the Special Olympics South Dakota State Office at 800-585-2114. The calendars are in and can be purchased for $15 each. Get them while they last!
Tommy’s Lanes in Watertown and Village Bowl in Aberdeen hosted a Halloween themed Strikes for Special Olympics event this past October. Participants were asked to pay or raise a minimum of $40 per person in Watertown and $50 in Aberdeen and in return received food and drink, Halloween goodies, a t-shirt, three games of bowling and shoe rental. The event also included door prizes, music, and fun!

We are looking forward to bringing even more Strikes for Special Olympics events to various bowling alleys across the state of South Dakota in 2019. Hope that everyone can join us for a bowlin’ good time! For more information on these events, check out our website at www.firstgiving.com/sosd.

2018 International Law Enforcement Torch Run Conference
In November, 11 law enforcement officers and two SOSD staff traveled to the Las Vegas, NV to attend the International Law Enforcement Torch Run Conference. The South Dakota Law Enforcement Torch Run program raised $563,608 in 2017 and was awarded at the International Conference with the Emerald Level of Excellence.

We want to give a huge THANK YOU to all the law enforcement who have helped the South Dakota LETR program continually increase awareness and funds for Special Olympics South Dakota from year to year! The success and achievements of the program are all in thanks to you!

2019 Torch Run T-shirts
Our next iteration of Torch Run T-shirts will be ready for sale in January, 2019. The shirts are cotton, short-sleeved and will be $15 a shirt and $20 for dry-fit. Please contact Amy or Todd at the State Office at 605-331-4117 to order your shirt today!

The 23rd Annual event is a friendly holiday blood drive pitting the Sioux Falls Police Department against the Sioux Falls Fire Department to see who can recruit the most blood donors.

The contest kicks off December 26, 2018 and runs through January 4, 2019. The public is encouraged to visit either Sanford Medical Center (333-6444) or Avera McKennan Hospital (322-7111) donor rooms and designate their blood donation to the department of their choice. Donors will receive a specially designed “Police” or “Fire” t-shirt (while supplies last), a $5 certificate compliments of Texas Roadhouse and a certificate for a free Taco John beef taco as well as a ticket for a home game to the Sioux Falls Skyforce.

As the charity of choice for the Sioux Falls Police Department, Special Olympics South Dakota will receive a donation of $700.00 if they should win.

Last year, it was the Sioux Falls Police Department claiming victory, coming away with 530 donations versus the Sioux Falls Fire Department with 518 donations. That means a total of 1,048 donations were collected during the campaign. Wow!

Donors must be at least 17 years old (16 years with a signed parent consent form), weigh 110 lbs or more and be in good general health. It is recommended that a person eat and drink plenty of fluids prior to donating blood.

Please bring an ID with you at the time of donation. For more information call 605-331-3222 or visit www.cbblifeblood.org.

Please come out and give a pint of blood and help save a life and help support Special Olympics South Dakota in the process.
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**Date:** Saturday, January 5, 2019
**Time:** 9:00 am - 4:30 pm (If not interested in the Coaches Education clinics, arrive at 11:15 am and leave at 2:15 pm)
**Local:** Unify Center
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In Honor of Tea Hill
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