With the launch of our new website comes a change in the distribution of our newsletter. Beginning with this issue the “TORCH” will be delivered electronically only.

I’m guessing most folks in my age demographic have a love/hate relationship with computers and the internet as I do. I still want my daily news delivered from Tom Brokaw, topped off by a two inch newspaper on Sundays. Instead I settle for news headlines on MSN.com and a Sunday google search for what’s playing at the local theater.

Thankfully my parents still give me a subscription to my hometown newspaper for my birthday. How is a person to wash windows, clean fish, or pot plants without them? Anyone under the age of 30 has no idea what I’m talking about.

We hope you continue to enjoy the “TORCH” in this new format and please take some time and go fishing!

*Quote from Robert C. Gallagher*
The 42nd annual State Summer Games is in the books. Highlighting this year was the performance by up and coming country music star Andy Gibson; an expanded Athlete Village; and an all day powerlifting format.

These games were held at Washington High School in Sioux Falls, May 20 - 22, 2010. This was the second of three years the games will be held in Sioux Falls.

A note to our coaches, parents, supporters and volunteers: Take a deep breath, reflect upon what you have accomplished and pat yourselves on the back. Congratulations on a job well done! You have helped increase the self confidence, physical fitness, and acceptance of every athlete who has participated in Special Olympics and we thank you for making a difference!

INSIDE THE NUMBERS

Number of athletes participants

Aquatics: 160  
Athletics: 472  
Powerlifting: 43  
Race Walking: 51  
Soccer (Skills): 92  
Soccer (Team): 82  
Volleyball: 58

Total Registered Athletes: 514  
Total Delegations: 32

We were blessed with many honored guests and speakers at the Opening Ceremonies of our State Summer Games, held at Washington High School on May 20, 2010.

Mark Ovenden has been in sportscasting since 1976 where he began his career as weekend sports anchor at WTVR in Richmond, VA. The Boston native always wanted to be a sportscaster since driving friends crazy by doing play by play of almost every game he played in as a kid! "The love of sports and gift for gab made this a natural!" He's done state football and basketball tournaments on television and a variety of radio play-by-play over the years. "It's the friendships that I've made that have made this the most worthwhile!"

Ovenden is a father of three sons who are all now married and has 2 grandsons. "When the boys were involved in high school and college sports it made my job even more fun!" Mark still loves to go to games with his sons, golf, ski, play racquetball and occasionally hunt and fish. Mark loves his job. "I'm lucky to be doing something I truly enjoy." He has been at KDLT since 1996 and in the Sioux Falls market since 1978

Our Global Messenger speaker, Correna Willuweit, lives in Sturgis with her two dogs, Troubadour MJ and Amanda Anna. She works in Deadwood at the Deadwood Trolleys.

Correna has participated in Special Olympics off and on over the past 20 years. Her mantra is 'everyone wins and nobody loses as long as you are your own champion in your heart'.

She counts her father, sister, boyfriend, and her many, many friends as blessings in her life. Correna will be one of 65 athletes from South Dakota attending National Games in Lincoln, NE this July.

After 10 years of touring the Dakota Region with the rock band Eclipse, Andy Gibson found his passion with country music. "Country music is so powerful; I'm able to write about the most important things in my life, and my deepest thoughts." Listening to just one of his songs, you will clearly feel the drive behind his unique talent, skill and qualification.

This 5-piece Country Band based out of Eastern South Dakota, has been receiving radio air play in all 50 states. The ‘Andy Gibson’ band consists of five musicians including himself, Andrea Hoogendoorn on lead/background vocals and keys, Chuck Case on drums and vocals, Brian Wheeler on bass, and Dan Witte on guitar and fiddle.
Thank You Event Directors

Aquatics Barb Sandoval
High Jump Kristen Wittmayer
Pentathlon Barb Sandoval
Powerlifting Darla Frederick, Joel Lubovich
Race Walking Jim Rickets
Shot Put Michelle Carter
Soccer (Team) Ginger Parson
Soccer (Skills) Gordon Stewart, Sadie Wolfe
Softball Throw Sammons Financial
Standing Long Jump Brittany Grode
Starter Dick Benning
Tennis Ball Throw Sammons Financial
Track Mike Hilbrands
Volleyball LeDawn Netsje
Medical Terry Truax

Thank You Organizing Committee

Co-Games Directors Lyle Farrand, Steve Jacobson
Logistics Lisa Claus
Athlete Village Sadie Mahlen, Chad Kriech
Awards Abby Schmidt, Tori Hofer, Katie O’Brien
Volunteers Carol Jacobs
Food Service Jen Devine
Hospitality Joel Perry
Torch Run Director Joel Perry

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Thank You!
Special Olympics Healthy Athlete programs made a return visit to Athlete Village at State Summer Games. One hundred twelve athletes benefited from screenings in FUNfitness, Fit Feet, and Special Smiles. Parents, guardians, athletes, and volunteers were given tools for health care as well as available resources in their communities.

We would like to thank our Healthy Athlete coordinators for all the work and assistance they provided.

FUNfitness: Patrick Cross, PT & Patti Berg, PT USD

Special Smiles: Aaron Studer, DDS, Rapid City

Fit Feet: Valarie Rash, DPM

Also, thank you to the trained volunteers who helped with assessment. Healthy Athletes would not happen without all of our amazing volunteers!

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2010 Beef Raffle Fundraiser
The South Dakota CattleWomen donated $500 in beef certificates for the annual Beef Raffle. This year’s raffle raised $3,383, of which $1,270 was sent back to our local programs.

President Lisa Dorschner announced the beef certificate winners during the Opening Ceremonies of Summer Games.

$50  Donnie Hagstrom - Clark, SD
$50  Ardith Knippling - Gann Valley, SD
$50  Dave Reinert - Gillette, WY
$125  Cathy Grubb - Belle Fourche, SD
$225  Mary House - Pierre, SD
Our 27th annual State Basketball Tournament was held in Mitchell on March 5th and 6th. A record number 502 athletes participated in Team, Unified, Skills, and Cheerleading. It was a wonderful weekend filled with dancing, camaraderie, and intense competition.

Thank you Billie Kelly, Kevin DeVries, Trevor & Tonya Meaney, Ron Sullivan, Knights of Columbus, and the community of Mitchell for organizing and hosting this event... YOU’RE THE BEST!
Heroes Behind The Badge

This holiday blood drive is a friendly competition between the Sioux Falls Fire Rescue and Sioux Falls Police Department to see who can recruit the most blood donors. As their charity of choice, the Police Department made a $150 donation to SOSD. A huge thank you to the Police Department for your on-going support of Special Olympics!

The Torch Run began in 1981 when Wichita, Kansas, Police Chief Richard LaMunyon saw an urgent need to raise funds for and increase awareness of Special Olympics. The Torch Run has evolved into the largest grassroots fundraiser and public awareness vehicle for Special Olympics.

At its most basic level, the Torch Run is an actual running event in which officers and athletes run the “Flame of Hope” to the Opening Ceremonies of local Special Olympics competitions, State Games, National, and World Games.

At its most fully developed, the Torch Run initiative encompasses a variety of fundraising vehicles in addition to the Torch Run itself. Our local law enforcement personnel host multiple fundraising projects each year, including Polar Plunges, T-shirt sales, Truck Convoys, Tip-A-Cops, and various other zany endeavors.

Thank you
Law Enforcement Torch Run!

Penney War

This was the 4th consecutive year the students at Axtell Park Middle School have participated in this contest, raising $1,909 for SOSD. We would like to thank and recognize Officer Doug Simmons for his outstanding work on this event.

Tip-A-Cop

This annual fundraiser was held earlier this year at Red Lobster in Rapid City and Texas Roadhouse in Sioux Falls. Law enforcement personnel trade their handcuffs and badges for menus and aprons “waiting tables”, asking patrons to make a donation to Special Olympics South Dakota.

The Red Lobster donation was $2,000, with the donation from Texas Roadhouse totaling $2,117. Thank you Red Lobster and Texas Roadhouse staff and management.

Aberdeen Athlete Matt Bosch

LETR Director Sgt. Joel Perry

Sioux Falls Athlete Kent Mulholland

Red Lobster

South Dakota
This past year will go down as a record breaker. Four new plunges were added, bringing our total to 10. The number of plungers has increased from under 500 in 2009 to 956 in 2010! The best news of all is donations doubled over last year to $256,578!

A huge thank you to our plunge organizers, sponsors, and participants. We will be back next year bigger and better than ever… look for a plunge near you!
SPEARFISH
When: March 13, 2010
Plungers: 106
Donations: $19,675.00

BROOKINGS
When: March 20, 2010
Plungers: 43
Donations: $24,386.00

WATERTOWN
When: March 27, 2010
Plungers: 122
Donations: $35,980.00

MITCHELL
When: March 27, 2010
Plungers: 23
Donations: $10,316.00
VERMILLION

When: April 11, 2010
Plungers: 44
Donations: $9,247.00

Sunny
Calm
75°

SIoux FALLS

When: April 17, 2010
Plungers: 199
Donations: $34,783.00

Sunny
Calm
72°

YANKTON

When: April 18, 2010
Plungers: 108
Donations: $27,335.00

Sunny
Calm
67°

ABERDEEN

When: April 24, 2010
Plungers: 83
Donations: $25,375.00

Rainy
Breezy
45°
**Save the Date**

**Bash to the Colonies**

- **Location:** Lewis & Clark Lake  
  Yankton, SD  
- **Date:** August 28 – 29, 2010  
- **Description:** Sailboats race the length of Lewis and Clark Lake in Yankton. All day event for all types of sailboats. Bring your lunch, binoculars, and camera! Over 50 boats are expected.

**Directions:** 1st entrance into Marina & Resort 4 miles west of Yankton on Hwy 52  
**Admission:** Free  
**Everyone welcome.**  
**For more information:** 605.665.2680  
www.bashtothecolonies.com  
**All proceeds to benefit SOSD**

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**Harley Raffle**

Law Enforcement Torch Run Officers are selling ONLY 350 chances to win a 2010 Harley Street Glide. Call Jim at 605.691.4026 to reserve your ticket ($100 each). The drawing will take place on September 11, 2010.

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**Snuggie Walk**

- **What:** 2nd Annual Snuggie Poker Walk  
- **When:** September 18, 2010  
- **Where:** Sioux Falls  
**www.snuggiepokerwalk.com for more information**  
**Join us for a fun event and win prizes!**  
**For the benefit of Special Olympics South Dakota**

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**Fire Truck Pull**

- **When:** September 18, 2010  
- **Where:** Vermillion  
**Other:** Call Todd Bradwisch for more information 605.496.1177

**JOIN THE FUN!**

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**Friday, September 24, 2010**

**Fairgrounds (Armory) Sioux Falls**

- **4:00 pm - 8:30 pm Truck Registration**  
- **4:00 pm - 6:45 pm Poker Tournament Registration**  
- **7:00 pm Poker Tournament Play**  
  - 5:00 pm - 9:00 pm Food & Beverage Provided  
  - Must Be 21 Years To Play * ID Required  
  - Pre-Registration Due 9/14/10  
  - $40 Pre-Registration Donation  
  - $50 After 9/14/10 & Day Of Tournament Donation  
  - $20 Add-On Donation  
  - Chip counts are 4,000 Initial - 2,000 add on  
  - Bring a friend & receive $500 in additional chips  
  - Blinds will start out at 25 - 50 and will increase every 15 minutes until there is a final winner  
  - GRAND PRIZE! Laughlin, NV trip for two

**Saturday, September 25, 2010**

**Truck Convoy (Fairgrounds) Sioux Falls**

$100 donation per truck

**A.M.**

- 6:30 - 8:45  
  - Registration  
  - Pancake Breakfast

- 8:45 - 9:30  
  - Welcome & Presentations

- 9:30 - 10:00  
  - Lead Truck Bidding

- 10:00 - 10:15  
  - Trucks Line Up

- 10:15  
  - Trucks Leave

- 11:30 - 12:00  
  - Medal Presentations

**P.M.**

- 12:00 - 1:00  
  - Lunch

- 1:00  
  - Truck Show Judging

- 12:45 - 1:15  
  - Presentations

- 1:15 - 2:30  
  - Auction

- 2:30 - 3:00  
  - Raffle

- 3:00 - 3:45  
  - Truck Show & Awards

**Win a HP Laptop with a wireless HP 3 in 1 printer! Tickets are $5 each or 3 for $10. Contact The State Office**
The second anniversary of the 40th Anniversary Challenge Match Campaign will be 8/08/10. A decision was made to continue the campaign until completion. At the time of this publication, $484,281 of the $500,000 goal has been matched with cash and future pledges. Athletes, coaches, volunteers, board members, and staff sincerely thank all those that have given to the campaign. You have truly made a difference in the lives of every one involved with Special Olympics across the state of South Dakota!

Call Darryl at 605.376.8613 if interested in assisting with Match completion.

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Thank you for your contribution!
Special Olympics would like to thank Bryan and Dana Kouri and Dudley Deffenbaugh for coordinating a spectacular open house event. The event was held at the new Kouri home built by Deffenbaugh Homes. The event featured food, beverage, music and a chance to win a home improvement package valued at over $11,000!

Thank you to our committee members:
Bryan Kouri, Dudley Deffenbaugh, Denise Baar, Suzanne Jamison-Brude, Beth Jamison

Thank you to our host sponsors:
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KOURI OPEN HOUSE benefiting SOSD and National Games

Thank you for your contribution!

Estate Planning
“I would love to help Special Olympics athletes for many years to come.”

Are you aware of the many ways you can give the joy and pride of Special Olympics even when you are gone? Leave your legacy. Consider Special Olympics in your estate planning.
Contact Darryl Nordquist, Development Director for more information.

Take a LEAP!
The Special Olympics South Dakota Life Enhancement Assistance Program (LEAP) is an income assistance program. Participants, through their local groups, can qualify for financial assistance to selected events. The program’s goals are to increase participation in SOSD events by helping local groups with expenses related to their team’s participation.

LEAP support is now being offered at SOSD’s six state events. Through continued support of our donors, LEAP will expand as a partnership program with local groups across the state in an effort to get more participants involved in SOSD’s many beneficial events.

LEAP is a Community Reinvestment Act (CRA) eligible program. If you would like to know more about the LEAP program from either a donor standpoint or local group support, please contact Darryl Nordquist, Development Director of SOSD.

Take a LEAP and join us at our next event!

Office Project
SOSD is busting at the seams! Our current office space has served its purpose over the past years but we have outgrown it. SOSD is in the process of searching for a larger, safer office. If you would like to know more about how you can help SOSD with its future plans, contact Darryl Nordquist, Development Director at 605.376.8613

Thank you Raven Industries for donating this spectacular arch!
The 2010 Special Olympics Global Congress was held over four days from 6 June – 10. Leadership from 174 Special Olympics Programs from 139 countries around the world gathered in Marrakech, Morocco to chart the course for the future of the Special Olympics movement. One of the participants was our very own Denelle Wilson. “This was an incredible experience,” said Wilson, “Meeting so many new people, including Her Royal Highness Princess Lalla Amina was awesome.”

Over the past 10 years, Special Olympics has grown rapidly, having tripled the number of participating athletes to nearly 3.5 million and now having Programs established in more than 170 nations worldwide. That growth brings challenges and opportunities which were addressed through this Global Congress. The Congress provided a unique forum to unite and engage Special Olympics leadership in a serious global dialogue about how to sustain quality growth of the movement.

The 2010 Global Congress was a defining event for Special Olympics as the emerging five pillars of the movement were explored: sports and competitions, building communities, fans and funds, movement leadership and sustainable capabilities. “We are excited to be able to bring together our leadership from all corners of the world,” said Special Olympics Chairman and CEO Timothy Shriver, “This is an incredible opportunity to ignite a spark within our movement by sharing ideas and best practices to further our reach and to gain respect and acceptance for our athletes as we look to support the more than 200 million people worldwide who have an intellectual disability.”

According to Wilson, “There are many exciting things ahead for Special Olympics. I feel so fortunate to be a part of this wonderful movement!”

KILIAN COMMUNITY COLLEGE MAKES CLASSY DONATION

The best gifts aren’t necessarily the biggest ones, but often are the unexpected ones that come from the heart. My friend Kristy attends Kilian Community College. This spring she called, explaining her small group from her Introduction to Business class was required to design and sell a product. Proceeds were to be donated to a non-profit and we were their choice. She assured me, however, not to expect much.

When all was said and done, this group set a new sales record for this assignment, presenting us with a check for $400! We had arranged for Kristy and her classmates to come to the office for a check presentation. To my surprise school President Mark Millage and class instructor Stacy Peters-Walters also made the trek. Their support of their student’s work and their respect for Special Olympics is impressive and heart-warming. Thank you Kilian for a class act!

PS: Cookie mix in a jar
For the second consecutive year SOSD had the good fortune to participate in Project UNIFY—a year-long U.S. national project, funded by the U.S. Department of Education. Its goal is to activate youth around the country in an effort to foster respect, dignity and advocacy for people with intellectual disabilities.

Promoting Acceptance and Inclusion
For over 40 years, Special Olympics has changed the lives of people with intellectual disabilities through sport. One major Special Olympics initiative is to promote acceptance of people with intellectual disabilities, while working to eliminate prejudice and discrimination.

Rapid City Central High School
Sixteen dedicated students volunteered to develop and implement the program. Some major accomplishments include:
- Talked with all incoming freshman and their parents regarding the use of the R-word.
- Planned and conducted three “Hat Days” for students and school personnel. These served as social integration opportunities for students with intellectual disabilities, as well as fundraisers for SunCatcher, a local Special Olympics Equestrian program.
- Five student leaders played on two Special Olympics Unified Basketball Teams.
- Disseminated information regarding the R-word, and assisted over 300 students in taking the on-line pledge to end its use.
- Speaking teams comprised of individuals with intellectual disabilities, parents, and siblings spoke to over 165 students sharing personal stories regarding teasing, inclusion, the R-word, and hopes and dreams. Student leaders served as panel facilitators.

Thank you Rapid City Central Principal Mike Talley, administration, and teachers. Your support and belief in our work was paramount to our success.

The biggest thanks goes to the 16 student leaders and their advisor, Steph Nesselhuf, who poured their time, talents, and passion into making a difference in their school. You have been tremendously successful my friends and I applaud you… Bravo!

The following is a partial reprinting of an article appearing in the Rapid City Central school newspaper Pine Needle.

Project UNIFY is a student-based organization dedicated to stopping the use of the R-word (retarded). What people don’t realize is that using the R-word, even without the intention of hurting someone, is very hurtful to those with intellectual disabilities, and even to those who know someone with special needs. Volunteers are trying to teach others it is insensitive to use such words, even if you don’t mean it in that way!

Project UNIFY’s mission is to make the student body aware of such inappropriateness through various activities such as handing out flyers, arranging video contests, promoting the pledge to “End the Word,” and more.

This school year was a major stepping stone for Project UNIFY. Highlights included hat days sponsored by Project UNIFY throughout the school year. All money raised was donated to SunCatcher Therapeutic Riding Academy and their Special Olympics Equestrian program.

Many fliers promoting Project UNIFY and its mission were passed out to students and parents at the in-coming freshman spaghetti feed. These same fliers are available as book marks in the school library.

Five Project UNIFY student leaders, along with 11 Special Olympics athletes played on two Unified Basketball teams. These teams participated in the Black Hills Area Tournament on February 12, 2010.

Six student leaders and five staff members, including Mike Talley, Tim McGowen, Jared Vasquez, Mandy Hennis, and Mike McCauley braved the cold and were participants in the Polar Plunge on February 27, 2010. Despite the ridiculous costumes and freezing cold water, all the money raised went to Special Olympics, making the day a success.

March 3, 2010 was Special Olympics “Spread The Word To End The Word” day. CHS participated by setting up a Project UNIFY booth with laptops during lunch. Students took an online pledge to stop using the R-word. Participants were given t-shirts, lanyards, or stickers. Anyone can still take the pledge by visiting www.r-word.org and click “Pledge And Be Heard”.

Central High School is the only school in the state to be given this opportunity.
E ach year U.S. Bank recognizes their organization’s most exceptional employee volunteers. In addition to recognition as an outstanding volunteer, each winner is honored through a financial contribution to the organization cited in their nomination.

Full- or part-time employees who have been employed at U.S. Bank for at least one year are eligible to be nominated.

Congratulations to our very own Sadie Mahlen, winner of the Five Star Volunteer Award!

Sadie was approached by Special Olympics about two years ago to join the State Summer Games Planning Committee. Since she’s joined, she’s brought on two U.S. Bank employees to volunteer on this committee.

She has also recruited over 10 U.S. Bank employees to use their volunteer days assisting with the Area and State Summer Games!

One of Sadie’s featured projects has been Athlete Village. The Athlete Village is a place for athletes to enjoy music, games, food, and several workshops promoting healthy life-styles. Sadie and the rest of her planning committee have worked with many local businesses arranging for donated items that were utilized in Athlete Village.

Sadie brings a fresh vision to the Games. She understands the need for new ideas and new Planning Committee Members to ensure there are enough people to help implement these ideas.

Sadie truly believes in the mission of Special Olympics. She feels Special Olympics is an amazing non-profit organization that gives people with intellectual disabilities the chance to compete with joy and pride. Sadie spends numerous hours working on Athlete Village in the months leading up to Summer Games. She uses her Volunteer Day and several vacation days during the games…over 100 hours annually.

“I got involved with Special Olympics about a year and a half ago when I was asked to join the State Games Planning Committee.” Said Mahlen. “Being involved with this organization has been truly rewarding. I couldn’t ask for a better organization to be involved in, and to help give a little something back to. I’m honored that I was chosen as a Five Star Volunteer Award winner, and am pleased that Special Olympics South Dakota will receive the donation! I can’t wait to see you all at next year’s State Games!”

ATHLETES RECEIVE HIGH SCHOOL LETTERS

At the May 26 awards ceremony in Rapid City, thirteen Central High School, Douglas High School and Stevens High School athletes received a total of 24 letters and pins for their triumphs in spring basketball, track, aquatics and soccer.

“It is a proud day for our kids and their families when they can wear their letter jackets to school and be recognized by their classmates and teachers for their extraordinary efforts and accomplishments,” says Dr. Mark Harlow, Sports Director of Special Olympics Black Hills, serving Rapid City and its surrounding communities.

Twenty-one athletes have received a total of 56 letters since the program began in 2009. The requirements are not easy to meet. The athletes must attend all practices (except for illness or emergency), attend both the Area and State games, and, show good participation, sportsmanship, and teamwork at practices and games. “We are very grateful to Stevens, Central, Douglas and Custer high schools for helping to make this opportunity available to our Special Olympics student-athletes. We look forward to collaborating with all other Black Hills area high schools on a program of this type,” continued Dr. Harlow.

To make sure athletes of all ages were recognized at the awards ceremony, Certificates of Participation were presented to those not receiving high school letters. The athletes, coaches, volunteers and their families enjoyed a great dinner and celebration!

Note: Thanks to the forward thinking of Coach Missy Hill and Athletic Director Gene Brownell, these guidelines were originally established by Aberdeen Central’s Special Olympics program.

If interested in implementing such a program in your school, contact the State Office.

Pictured are, front from left: Elizabeth Sterling, David Williams, Rachel Grant, Michael Haiback, Nathaniel Miller, Alyssa Flannery, Sheldon Griffith, Jeffrey Schorry; back row Monica Burgess, Coach Dr. Mark Harlow, Coach Lillie Pendleton, Jack Lynass, Steve Schirber.

Thank you Monica Burgess for contributing this story.
Congratulations Athletes and Coaches!

**AQUATICS**
C: Mike Markley - Aberdeen
C: Cindy Markley - Aberdeen
Kathie Herrera - Vermillion
Jarod Markley - Aberdeen
Chelsea Popham - Watertown
Wade Uhrich - Aberdeen

**ATHLETICS**
C: Rich Mulholland - Sioux Falls
C: Missy Hill - Aberdeen
C: Cathy Grubb - Belle Fourche
Matthew Bosch - Aberdeen
Josh Johnson - Aberdeen
Kent Mulholland - Sioux Falls
Chana Sandoval - Sioux Falls
Amethyst Schwender - Belle Fourche
Dottie Wagner - Sioux Falls
Victor Weigel - Aberdeen
Laura Zahn - Aberdeen

**POWERLIFTING**
C: Joel Lubovich - Sioux Falls
Josh Brenden - Sioux Falls
Andrew Maffett - Brookings
Matt Jacobson - Sioux Falls
Chad Rapp - Sioux Falls

**5V5 SOCCER TEAM**
C: Michelle Boadwine - Sioux Falls
C: Tim Soyer - Sioux Falls
C: Suzy Gehring - Brookings
Betsy Daniel - Brookings
Grady Heffner - Huron
Fabian Hernandez - Sioux Falls
Jordan Hopper - Huron
Courtney Lee - Brookings
Heath Mays - Sioux Falls
Nick Mills - Sioux Falls
Laura Risty - Brookings
Adrian Seymour - Brookings
Zack Winters - Bryant

**UNIFIED BASKETBALL TEAM**
C: Steve Jacobson - Sioux Falls
C: Danelle Wilson - Sioux Falls
Athletes
Dale Brondel - Mitchell
Scott Goldammer - Mitchell
Matt Hasner - Watertown
Jesse Johnson - Sioux Falls
Tim Schellhouse - Sioux Falls

Unified Partners
Emily Anderson - Yankton
Devrin Clark - Mitchell
Andrew Jacobson - Sioux Falls
Michael Jacobson - Sioux Falls
Ann Just - Sioux Falls

**BASKETBALL TEAM**
C: Brian Jacobsen - Hayti
C: Tina Smith - Sturgis
C: Barb Sandoval - Sioux Falls
Jacob Anderson - Yankton
Mallory Bingham - Aberdeen
Donny Buchanan - Sioux Falls
Ashley Clark - Canton
Jenny Duchscherer - Canton
Kyle Duke - Yankton
Jacob Pratt - Aberdeen
Kory Quitsch - Redfield
Dawn Ruhlman - Brookings
Correna Willuweit - Sturgis

**BOWLING**
C: Jim Boadwine - Sioux Falls
Mike Gosmire - Sioux Falls
Cody Kollars - Sioux Falls
Carla West - Spearfish
Marla West - Spearfish

Medical
Amy Buechler - Warner

WHAT: 2010 Special Olympics USA
National Games
WHEN: July 18 - 23, 2010
Opening Ceremonies: July 18, 2010
Closing Ceremonies: July 23, 2010
WHO: General
3,000 athletes from 50 states
1,000 coaches and official delegates
15,000 family members and friends
8,000 volunteers
30,000 spectators

South Dakota
65 athletes
18 coaches

**SOFTBALL TEAM**
C: Tod Bradwisch - Harrisburg
C: Jessie Kuchenmeister - Brookings
C: Brett Spencer - Brookings
Thy Chum - Mitchell
Sarah Faue - Sioux Falls
Scott Gulbranson - Brookings
Emily Gustaf - Sioux Falls
Erin Gustaf - Sioux Falls
Chad Hanten - Brandon
Gary Hettich - Rapid City
Kim Hettich - Rapid City
Chris Leslie - Sioux Falls
Ricky Oye - Brookings
Jennifer Rice - Brookings
Rich Riter - Sioux Falls
JR Rolcifife - Rapid City
Allison Schivitz - Sioux Falls
Derek Smith - Mitchell

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Contact Darryl Nordquist, Development Director 605.376.8613
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