

George Martin

Olathe Trailblazers



Hometown: Olathe

Sports: Basketball, Track and Field, Swimming, Soccer, Volleyball, Softball

Awards/Honors: Inducted into SOKS Hall of Fame in 1995. Current member of SOKS Board of Directors. Grand Knight in KFC 7909 Prince of Peace and current historian for KFC 7909

Activities: Member of Kiwanis, Knights of Columbus, Prince of Peace greeter and usher

Employment: Worked for Hy-Vee for 20 years

Career Goal: To be a shift manager at Hy-Vee

People I admire: My mom, Sue Elliott (SOKS) and Lisa Michaels (Hy-Vee)

More About Me: I am from a family of 6 (I have 5 sisters) and have 14 nieces and nephews and 2 great nieces

Groups I have talked to: Stanion Wholesale Charity Golf Classic, Torch Run Kick-Off, Judged at the KC Polar Plunge

What being a Global Messenger means: *The opportunity to motivate others with my story and meet a variety of athletes and others.*



George's personal strengths

Presence

You were born to be at the front of the room telling stories and taking the lead. Other people watch you and listen to you.

Relating

You like friendships and keep them for a long time. You widen the circle of friends for yourself and others

Achieving

You have more energy and goals than other people. You love a sense of accomplishment.

Global Messengers are Special Olympics Kansas athletes who tell their story and spread the message and vision of the movement. Each messenger completed the StrengthsExplorer® program to identify their personal strengths. Then with 12 hours of classroom training learned speaking skills, and built confidence in their ability to make presentations. Each was required to give a 5-7 minute graduation speech to family and friends. **George's personal strengths are reflected above.**

For more information regarding the Special Olympics Kansas Global Messenger program, or to request a Global Messenger for your event, please contact Public Relations, pr@ksso.org.