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Special Olympics Kansas would like to wish all of our athletes, families, volunteers and corporate partners a very Happy Thanksgiving. May all the good things in life be yours not only at Thanksgiving, but throughout the coming year.

Changes to the 2018 State Competition Schedule:

State Bowling will be moving to a summer sport. The Regional events will be scheduled in late June/early July and the State competition will move to late July/early August in Kansas City. State Softball and Golf will be October 6 - 7, 2018 in Wichita.

Moving the outdoor sports of Softball & Golf out of the heat of summer and replacing them with an indoor sport (bowling) is beneficial to athletes, coaches and all participants. A decision will be made in early 2018 with regard to where soccer, bocce and volleyball will fall in the new schedule.

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Thank You Jeff!

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Police Department, will end his term as the State Director of the Kansas Law Enforcement Torch Run (LETR) for Special Olympics



Kansas on December 31, 2017. During his tenure, the Kansas LETR has seen tremendous growth, expanded into new regions, and renewed its passion for Special Olympics athletes.

His dedication isn't ending in 2017 once he steps down as State Director. Captain Bragg will still serve an active role on the Executive Council in the past State Director position. He will also continue to serve on various committees, participate in fundraising events, and give out high fives at Special Olympics Kansas events. Special Olympics Kansas would like to thank Jeff for his tenure and we look forward to working with him for many, many more years to come!

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Thank You Josh!

Topeka/Shawnee Special Olympics athlete, Josh Alters, will end his term as athlete ambassador to the Kansas Law Enforcement Torch Run (LETR) for Special Olympics Kansas on December 31, 2017. Josh was the first athlete to hold this position. He has done a

great job defining the role, encouraging all members of the LETR to push harder, and representing all Special Olympics Kansas athletes at various events.

The LETR Executive Council have enjoyed Josh's smile and laugh at their quarterly meetings. He has also provided insight into what the athletes of Special Olympics Kansas want to see at their Opening Ceremonies and our signature Torch Runs. Lastly, let's not forget the fun at the International Conference and the D-Backs game!

But luckily for Special Olympics Kansas, Josh isn't one to sit idle. He has a new role within Special Olympics! He will serve as the Athlete Liaison to the Special Olympics Kansas Board of Directors.

EVENT CALENDAR



December is Tip a Cop Month

Visit one of these locations for a great meal with your local law enforcement officers. Patrons are encouraged to tip Officers after their meal.

PAPA JOHNS

40% Off Your Entire Regular Menu Price Online Order, Plus an additional 10% of purchase price Donated back to Kansas Special Olympics.

Go to www.papajohns.com
Enter Promo Code: KSSO
Valid Monday, Dec 4 through Sunday, Dec 10 at all KC Metro Stores.

Join Topeka PD at Red Robin

6230 SW 6th Street,
Topeka, 66615
Wed., December 6th
4:30 – 8:30 p.m.
15% of sales will be donated to SOKS

Butler County Officers will be at Bubba's 33

412 S. Towne East Mall Dr.,
Wichita, KS 67207

The Kansas LETR would like to congratulate Josh on his new role and wish him all the best! [Home](#)



#Giving2Play on #Giving Tuesday

Give to PLAY Sports: Special Olympics supports 5 million athletes in 170+ countries

Give to PLAY Healthy: Special Olympics provides 1.9 million health exams to athletes worldwide

Give to PLAY Unified: Nearly 1.5 million people take part in Special Olympics Unified Sports

This Giving Tuesday, Nov. 28th, your gift will be matched \$ for \$.
Please consider a holiday donation today.



Get into the holiday spirit with Brookdale Senior Living and decorate a Gingerbread House for SOKS!
To reserve your gingerbread house today, call 913-248-1500 or email Allison Barth at abarth@brookdale.com

Decorating Party is on **December 7th**
4-6:30PM Brookdale Shawnee at 11400 W. 65th St.

[Click on the link for more details](#)

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Don't Forget the Town Hall Events!

Come and share your thoughts on whether SOKS is meeting your needs and how you think we could do better. When you RSVP please include details of topics you would like to discuss.

Metro

Monday, November 20th 6:00pm-8:00pm

Location: Down Syndrome Guild of Greater KC (5960 Dearborn St.,

Wed., December 6th
4:00 – 9:00 p.m.

Prairie Village Police Department will be at Johnny's Tavern

83rd and Mission Road,
Prairie Village, KS 66208
Thurs. December 7th
5:00 – 9:00 p.m.

Join Riley County PD at Texas Roadhouse

200 Manhattan Town Center, 66502
Thurs. December 7th
5 – 9:00 p.m.

Goodland PD Officers will be Baristas at Clark Crossing

223 E. 10th Street,
Goodland, 67735 from
8:00 a.m. – Noon
Start Fri, December 8th
with a great cup of
coffee and good
company!

Salina PD will be "serving" patrons at Martinelli's

158 S. Santa Fe Avenue,
Salina, 67401
Thurs. December 14
5 -8 p.m.

Visit either PIZZERIA LOCALE Overland

Park location

11875 W. 95th St or
6455 W. 135th St
Thursday, Dec. 14th
4 – 9:00 p.m.

Mention this fundraiser at the register and 50% of

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Please RSVP to Chris Burt: burtc@kssso.org or 785-760-3519 ASAP

SouthEast

Wednesday, November 29 1:00pm-3:00pm

Location: American Legion in Pittsburg (2815 N. Joplin St.)

Please RSVP to Chris Burt: burtc@kssso.org or 785-760-3519 by

Tuesday, November 21st.

West

Date: Saturday, December 16 in Wakeeney and Dodge City

Contact Terri Price for more information pricet@kssso.org or 913.236.9290

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The Finish Line Youth Foundation wants to help make all Special Olympics athletes feel **#SOunstoppable** this holiday season but they can't do it without you! Visit your local Finish Line from 11/15 to 12/31 to participate - Kansas has four stores:

Oak Park Mall, Overland Park, Legends Outlets, Kansas City, Towne West Mall, Wichita and Towne East Mall, Wichita, [or just click on the link to participate.](#)

NOMINATIONS ARE STILL BEING ACCEPTED FOR MAKING A DIFFERENCE AWARDS. PLEASE CONSIDER RECOGNIZING A COACH, FAMILY, INDIVIDUAL OR BUSINESS THAT HAS MADE A DIFFERENCE TO YOUR ATHLETE OR TEAM!

Shopping Through Amazon?

When you do your shopping at AmazonSmile, Amazon donates 0.5% of the purchase price to Special Olympics Kansas, Inc.

Bookmark the link: <http://smile.amazon.com/ch/48-0890981> and support us every time you shop!

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As you gather with friends and family at Thanksgiving, issue a challenge to take the "Plunge" together. [Sign up today.](#)

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iFly Promotion for National Disabilities Day December 3

Athletes, members of their family, coaches and volunteers will receive discounted flights for \$39.95. Flyers will receive a pre-flight training session, all the necessary flight gear (suit, helmet, goggles), two flights (one minute each) and a free photo. Each flyer will be assisted by specially trained flight instructors during the event with extra accommodations based on participant needs. Contact Kate for

details 913.236.9290 Ext.
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buengerk@kssso.org
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