



Seminole Spirit

April 2008



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MARK YOUR CALENDARS

April 3 - Management Team & AIC Meeting
April 13 - Bowl-A-Thon
May 16-17 - Summer Sports State Games

April 7 - Golf Season Begins
April 26 - Swimming Family Meeting
May 31 - Swimming Season Officially Begins

April 12 - Summer Sports Area Games
May 1 - Management Team & AIC Meeting

SUMMER SPORTS UPDATES

Good luck to our athletes traveling to Orange County on April 12, 2008 for the Summer Sports Area Games at Freedom High School from 8-3pm. HAVE A GREAT TIME!!

COUNTY GAMES A SUCCESS- March 15, 2008

Over 30 athletes enjoyed a perfect day of competition and fun at Lake Mary High School. Athletes competed in Track, Cycling, Tennis, and Soccer. **A Big Thank you goes out to everyone who made this day possible:** Lake Mary High School- Principal, Mr. Karns, Asst. Principal, Mr. Urichko, Doug Peters, Frank Schwartz, Girls Softball Team, Lake Mary Vice Mayor, Sanford Herald and Lake Mary Life, Lions Club, Matt Levy, SOFL, All the great volunteers, coaches, and Management Team!

GOLF

Golf is scheduled to begin on Monday, April 7, 2008 at Sweetwater Country Club at 5:30pm. To join, please contact Coach Sal LoPorto at 407-834-4380 or portoboss@netzero.com

SWIMMING

Swim season is scheduled to start on Saturday, May 31, 2008 at the RDV Sports Plex in Maitland from 8am-10am.

IMPORTANT INFORMATIONAL MEETING for parents, athletes, & families: Saturday, April 26, 2008 at Eastmonte Park from 9am-10am. We will have a meeting to discuss some changes for this upcoming season since our swim team has grown so large. Please come to this meeting to share your opinion with us. If you cannot attend, please let us know. *We hope you join us this season.*

Questions: Nin El-khoury, 407-929-7254 or Swimming@SpecialOlympicsSeminoleCounty.org

PUBLIX TORCH SALES

We are proud to announce that we raised \$10,800 through the Publix Torch Sales in January. Thanks to all who helped!

ATHLETE OF THE MONTH: Apryl Hankerson

VOLUNTEER OF THE MONTH: Tennis: Coach Jim and Coach Driss

HAPPY BIRTHDAY- APRIL

Esther Benitez, Christian Colon, Joseph Coombs, Joanne Counelis, Melody First, Monica Hernandez, Terry Juhl, Hope Lloyd, James Moore, Katherine Moricca, Kellie Mortensen, Mitchell Omana, Greg Ortt, Thomas Parenty, Pamela Scribner, Michael Scrimenti, Rafael Vandestreek, Patricia Wittick

2008 BOWL-A-THON

Join us on Sunday, April 13, 2008 from 3-5pm. Sign up deadline has passed, but late registrations are accepted until the day BEFORE the event (without guaranteeing you a T-shirt). Volunteers still needed. Contact Nin: 407-929-7254 BowlAThon@SpecialOlympicsSeminoleCounty.org
Don't miss out on the fun!!

"FALL CLASSIC" SPORTS STARTING IN JUNE

Bowling, Gymnastics, Powerlifting & Softball

Specific start dates will be provided in next month's newsletter. If you are interested in **coaching** or **volunteering** with these sports, please contact us because we will be scheduling planning meetings through the month of April. Contact: 407-263-8043 or FallClassic@SpecialOlympicsSeminoleCounty.org

RECENT GRANTS- THANK YOU!

SOSC would like to extend a special thank you for two recent grants. One was from the Hilton Foundation for \$7,500 (thanks to the help of Babita Hilton) Another was from Universal Orlando's UGive program for \$500 (thanks to Jennifer Green-Bourque) *Thank you Hilton Foundation, Universal Orlando, and all of our other great sponsors & donors!*

NATHANIEL'S HOPE: SATURDAY, JUNE 7, 2008

Join us at the Nathaniel's Hope Buddy Stroll at Lake Eola. To sign up, visit our website or contact: Kevin, 407-257-7730 or KLajeunesse@SpecialOlympicsSeminoleCounty.org

MANAGEMENT TEAM

Next meeting will be on Thursday, May 1, 2008 at Parkside Fellowship Church in Longwood from 6-8pm.

ATHLETE INPUT COUNCIL EVENTS & MEETING

Each athlete is important and we need your help! Come and join the council. Our next meeting will be on Thursday, May 1, 2008 at Parkside Fellowship Church from 6-8pm.

SHRINERS CIRCUS

Tickets are going **fast** for the Shriners Circus at the UCF Arena on Saturday, April 12 and Sunday, April 13. As of March 24, we had the following tickets left:: 13 for Sat. 1:30pm, 7 for Sun. 1:30pm, 13 for Sun. 5:30pm. For free tickets, please contact Debbie Taylor at 407-699-4776 or DTaylor@SpecialOlympicsSeminoleCounty.org

**Please note that tickets are reserved for SOSC athletes and their families*



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