Special Olympics Maryland Area Memo March 24, 2023

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Welcome

If there are any members of your area's leadership who are not currently receiving the Area Memo, please send their names and email address to <u>jabel@somd.org</u>.

Shout out a volunteer

This memo's shot outs go to ...

Shout out to Chris King and Mike Malinoski for all your work in starting the bocce program in Cecil County! Very exciting to be offering another sport training and competition opportunity, and it couldn't be done without all your work to make it happen. Thank you both!

Please use the link below to submit your shout outs! https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/LV88QG9

Spring Area Director Meeting- Register Today!

We're just a few weeks away from our Spring Area Director webinar and meeting. Please use the links below to register!

Webinar	3/27	https://somd.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZUqf-Chpz4pGdNMnwFFNFU85nH-		
	7:00pm	<u>eFyf6PsL</u>		
Meeting	4/1	https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/8P5M7TJ		
	9:00am			

NEW FOR THIS MEETING: Because members of our Development Department will be on-site to talk about topics including: Area Program Grant Writing, Collaborative Fundraising, and Fundraiser risk management, please share this meeting with your Fundraising Coordinators! Their section of the meeting will be approximately 9:00am-11:30am. They are welcome to join us for lunch and then we'll continue with just Area Directors/Assistant Area Directors for the remainder of the meeting.

(NEW) Jersey Mike's Day of Giving

It's almost time for Jersey Mike's Day of Giving! Special Olympics Maryland is excited to partner with 11 stores across the state where 100% of sales from those stores on March 29 will support Special Olympics Maryland!

Partner stores this year are:

- Baltimore: 3611 Washignton Blvd. Suite 100
- Baltimore 7976 Honeygo Blvd
- Clinton: 8797 Branch Ave.
- Dundalk: 1401 Merritt Blvd, Suite 1
- Dunkirk: 10107 Ward Road
- Edgewater: 11 Lee Airpark Dr. Suite 400
- Glen Burnie: 6640 Ritchie Highway
- La Plata: 105 Drury Drive, Suite A
- Salisbury: 1405 S. Salisbury Blvd
- Waldorf: 3728 Crain Highway, Unit 103

(NEW) 2023 Brave in the Attempt Talks

Six speakers from Special Olympics Maryland and other external agencies will take to the stage on June 20th, 2023 from 6pm-8pm for the First Lady presents Brave in the Attempt Talks.

The talks are 5-7 minute TED-Talk style presentations around a common theme.

This year's theme is **"Lead the Way"** where speakers will share their experience in leadership and how they or others Lead the Way.

This year's speakers include Clara Scholz, Charles Gaines, Alexea Wentz, Matt DiGilio, Abby Knight and Dominique Palmer.

We are happy to host this year's talks at the Jim Rouse Theatre 5460 Trumpeter Rd, Columbia, MD 21044 in Howard County.

There will a short reception at 6pm followed by the talks at 7pm.

Tickets are FREE but we request that you reserve them through our ticketing system to help us have a better understanding of size of crowd that night.

Ticket sign up available here https://support.somd.org/event/2023-brave-in-the-attempt-talks/e458207

(NEW) JTCC Spring Tennis Clinics

FREE tennis clinics are still taking place at the JTCC in College Park! These are great opportunities for athletes and Unified Teammates of ALL abilities to get on court! No previous tennis experience is needed----come join the fun!

All Sessions are on Sunday from 4:00-5:30

Pre-Registration is required. Just the JTCC Form Below https://jtcc.clubautomation.com/calendar/event-info?id=72463&style=0&isFrame=0.

(UPDATED) Pre-Season and Pre-Competition Webinars

The dates and time for Pre-Season webinars have been set for the upcoming seasons. Please share this info with your coaches and sports volunteers.

Sport	Date/Time	Registration / Recording Link		
Basketball	Tue, Dec 6	Recording: <u>www.youtube.com/watch?v=HZSK6DkTYQI</u>		
Athletics (T&F)	Wed, Mar 22	Recording: https://youtu.be/XtB6GcKyyME		
Bocce	Wed, Mar 22	Recording: https://youtu.be/5e9Ud9jjE2I		
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Cheerleading	7:00-8:00 pm	https://somd.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZUkdO2oqz8qG9xdS80uunhCoVhgkPIMAYW1		
Softball	Tue Apr 18	https://comd.zoom.us/mooting/register/t7V/cuurgz/u/ct22gu/ZEgN/CdgE7ugl/f7u//p		
SUILDAII	6:00-7:00 pm	https://somd.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZYkcuugqz4vGt32qwZ5qNCdglE7uqLf7yWn		
Swimming	Mon Apr 10	https://somd.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZwtd-Cupz8oE9KZa-dlCIDGj-CCVwN0LMfj		
Swimming	6:00-7:00 pm			

Pre-Season Coaches Webinars (slides from recorded sessions are available on the respective CRP)

Pre-Competition Coaches Webinars (slides from recorded sessions are available on the respective CRP)

Sport	Date/Time	Registration / Recording Link		
Basketball	Wed, Mar 21	Recording: https://youtu.be/p1zDdqPTs3k		
Athletics (T&F)	Thu Jun 15	https://somd.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZcucO6tpj0oHdXEnETohS0iPlxb8XvF5OvS		
Athletics (T&F)	7:00-8:00 pm			
Bocce	Thu Jun 15	https://somd.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZcvcuugrj0qHdCluXQZWHnCWuc-9yQHaPhR		
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Cheerleading	Wed Jun 14	https://somd.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZMrd-mhrTlqEt2dfYaty_BD-BP8-0G8De6R		
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Softball	Wed Jun 14	https://somd.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZAqcOmspj4iG9z3KU3hYVqUdw59K15Ebkgi		
	6:00-7:00 pm			
Swimming	TBD			

Sports Department Contacts – Assigned Sports

Your Area Director and Area Leadership should always be your first point of contact. However, should you have questions regarding a specific sport, coach education, or competition, please work with the corresponding Sport Director.

•	Melissa	Anger,	Senior	Sports	Director
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 Basketball Soccer
 - Cheerleading Softball Flag Football Tennis

Locally Popular Sports: Volleyball, Cross Country Skiing

- Ryan Kelchner, Sports Director
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 - AthleticsGolfBoccePowerliftingDistance RunningSnowshoeing

Locally Popular Sports: Dance, Equestrian Sports, Floor Hockey

- Elizabeth Kramer, Sports Director
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Alpine SkiingKayakingBowling (10 pin)SwimmingCyclingSwimming

Locally Popular Sports: Figure Skating, Sailing, Short Track Speed Skating, Duckpin Bowling

If you have questions regarding multi-sport events, or USA/World Games, please contact:

• Steve Bennett, Senior Director, Competitions

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Summer Games	Fall Sports Festival	USA Games
Winter Games		World Games

If you have questions regarding High School Unified Sports (IUS) training and competition, please contact:

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 IUS Athletics (T&F)
 IUS Outdoor Bocce
 IUS Indoor Bocce
 IUS Strength & Conditioning

Overall Sports Leadership (any sports/competition questions that aren't related to a specific sport)

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Questions?

If You Have Any Questions on Any Other Non-Sports-Related Issues, please contact a member of the Local Programs Team

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