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WELCOME TO 2014 STATE FALL GAMES

Welcome to State Fall Games, our very first year in Hall County and Gainesville!

The Special Olympics Georgia family is thrilled to be a part of Hall County, “The Jewel of North Georgia,” this year and the next two years. Right from the start, the community has provided so much for the athletes competing this weekend: financially supportive businesses, two county parks and a golf course for competition, and volunteers’ time to make these games great. We thank the generous and impactful Games Organizing Committee volunteers who have organized an exciting weekend for us all.

More than 2,100 athletes, unified partners, and coaches, who have traveled from across the state, will compete in bocce, cycling, golf, and softball. They’ve practiced so hard for these Games and are ready to do their personal best in competition.

We know you’re bound to catch some of these moments. Please share them with your friends and families on Instagram, tag us on Facebook or tweet us @SOGAchampions.

This year’s successful Games are also due to the support of this year’s presenting sponsor Mattel and other corporations, volunteers, donors and foundations. To the Hall County and Gainesville communities, thank you for your efforts and dedication to SOGA’s mission. We’ll see many of you as Fans in the Stands this weekend.

Athletes, thank you for showing us all what determination and putting everything you can into a sport can do for the spirit of Special Olympics Georgia.

Good luck, athletes. Just do your best and have fun.

Sincerely,



Georgia Milton-Sheats, Chief Executive Officer



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LAW ENFORCEMENT TORCH RUN



The Law Enforcement Torch Run (LETR) is the largest annual fundraising effort to benefit Special Olympics Georgia (SOGA). This signature event plays a significant role in SOGA's annual fundraising and awareness.

LETR involves law enforcement officers from across the state who work year-round to raise funds and awareness for SOGA athletes and have set another record raising more than \$800,000 in 2014! In addition, officers also run the Flame of Hope across the state in the annual Torch Relay in May. Officers carry the Flame of Hope into the Opening Ceremony of State Winter, Summer, Masters Bowling, and Fall Games each year. The top five fundraising departments have the honor of carrying the Flame of Hope during the games and lighting the cauldron.

The Presenting Sponsor of the Law Enforcement Torch Run is Publix Super Markets. Each January for three weeks, Publix associates sell torch icons in their stores to raise money.

Special Olympics Georgia would like to congratulate our top 5 fundraising departments for this calendar year:

1. Johns Creek Police Department
2. MARTA Police Department
- 3. Gwinnett County Sheriff's Office**
4. Kennesaw Police Department
5. Marietta Police Department

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Purchase your torch icons at your neighborhood Publix during the first three weeks in January 2015 at the checkout register!

Be sure to check out and participate in our event on Saturday, February 21, 2015– Polar Plunge at Lake Lanier Islands & Resort. Join others as they plunge for a cause and freeze for a reason! For more information and to learn how YOU can participate, visit www.PolarPlungeGA.com



OPENING CEREMONY

OCT. 10

7:30 pm-8:30 pm Gainesville Middle School Gymnasium

Entertainment:	Moto Artis Dance Company
Welcome:	Richard Mecum, chairman of the Hall County Board of Commissioners
Master of Ceremony:	Bill Maine, co-host of Bill and Joel Morning Show WDUN AM 550 and FM 1029
Parade of Athletes:	Special Olympics Georgia athletes, dignitaries
Invocation:	Gainesville Fire Department Chaplain
Presentation of Colors:	Hall County Sheriff's Office Honor Guard
National Anthem:	Morgan Stokes and Madison Dean
Entertainment:	Moto Artis Dance Company
Sponsor Recognition:	Georgia Milton-Sheats, CEO, Special Olympics Georgia
DSA Awards:	Georgia Milton-Sheats, CEO, Special Olympics Georgia
Officials Oath:	Kevin Enright, Augusta Stars
Athletes Oath:	Patrick Young, Hall County Athlete
Lighting of the Torch:	Law Enforcement Torch Run Departments Presenting Sponsor Publix Super Markets Top 5 Fundraising Torch Run Offices 1. Johns Creek Police Department 2. MARTA Police Department 3. Gwinnett County Sheriff's Office 4. Kennesaw Police Department 5. Marietta Police Department
Opening Declaration:	Bill Maine and Patrick Young



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STATE FALL GAMES

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Friday, October 10, 2014

- 11:30 am - 6:30 pm Team Softball, North Hall Park & Laurel Park Unified (Laurel Park Field #s 1 & 2)
Modified (Laurel Park Field #s 3 & 4; North Hall Park Field #1)
Traditional (North Hall Park Field #s 2, 3, & 4)
- 1:00 pm - 5:00 pm Bocce, North Hall Park—(Football Field)
- 3:00 pm - 5:00 pm Bicycle Inspections, Laurel Park Cycling Venue (Boat access parking lot)
- 5:00 pm - 7:00 pm Dinner at Gainesville Middle School Cafeteria
- 6:30 pm - 7:00 pm Athlete Staging for Parade, Gainesville Middle School Gymnasium
- 7:30 pm - 8:30 pm Opening Ceremony and Souvenir Sales, Gainesville Middle School Gymnasium
- 8:30 pm - 9:30 pm Coaches Meetings, Gainesville Middle School
- 8:30 pm - 9:45 pm Athlete Dance, Gainesville Middle School Gymnasium
- 10:00 pm - 11:00 pm Late Registration, Nerve Center (Holiday Inn-Gainesville)

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Saturday, October 11, 2014

- 8:00 am - 5:00 pm Souvenir Sales, North Hall Park, Laurel Park & Olympic Town
- 8:00 am - 10:00 pm Team Softball, North Hall Park & Laurel Park: Unified (Laurel Park Field #s 1 & 2)
Modified (Laurel Park Field #s 3 & 4; North Hall Park Field #1)
Traditional (North Hall Park Field #s 2, 3, & 4)
- 8:00 am - 1:00 pm Softball Skills, Laurel Park (Field #1)
- 8:00 am - 7:00 pm Bocce, North Hall Park— (Football Field)
- 8:00 am - 5:00 pm Golf Skills, Individual & Team Play, Chicopee Woods Golf Course
- 9:00 am - 2:00 pm Cycling, Laurel Park (Boat Access Parking Lot)
- 10:00 am - 4:00 pm Olympic Town and Souvenir Sales, North Hall Park (Inside Community Center)
- 10:00 am - 4:00 pm Healthy Athletes (Fun Fitness) at Olympic Town, North Hall Park

Sunday, October 12, 2014

- 8:00 am - until completed Team Softball, North Hall Park & Laurel Park: Unified (Laurel Park Field #s 1 & 2)
Modified (Laurel Park Field #s 3 & 4 and North Hall Park Field #1)
Traditional (North Hall Park Field #s 2, 3, & 4)
- 8:00 am - until completed Bocce, North Hall Park—(Football Field)
Souvenir Sales, North Hall Park & Laurel Park

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PRESENTED BY: FRITO LAY, COCA-COLA, AND HAWKINS FAMILY DENTAL

Friday

Dinner: 5:00 pm—7:00 pm Gainesville Middle School



VENUE DIRECTORS: ELLEN HOLLAND AND KAREN CARTER

OCT. 10-12

Medical teams will be on hand at ALL venues throughout the weekend and will be located at each of the hotels to assist you. Each hotel is listed in the coaches handbook with the number to call for medical assistance. To reach the medical person in your hotel, look in the lobby for the medical room sign and call that room. If you can't reach that person, call the Nerve Center at the Holiday Inn in Gainesville at (770) 531-0907.

OCT. 10-12

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Lakeshore Mall is located in the heart of Gainesville convenient to all area hotels. The mall boasts the region's best Belk store, a new Dick's Sporting Goods and forty specialty shops.

AWARDS

Awards are given to athletes and unified partners throughout the Games weekend.

EVENT COORDINATORS: KAREN OWENS AND ELSA ALVAREZ

OCT. 11

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Saturday

North Park Hall (Inside the Community Center) 9:30 am — 3:30 pm
Olympic Town is the center of the celebration at State Fall Games and this year, we are excited to bring you: inflatables, arts and crafts, games, and music.

Olympic Town Booth Sponsors



The Knights promote social and intellectual fellowship through educational, charitable, religious, social welfare, war relief and public relief works.

HEALTHY ATHLETES

Coaches and athletes can receive a health screening from 10 am until 4 pm
Physical therapists with Emory University will assess athletes' strength, flexibility, and balance.

OCT. 11

ATHLETE DANCE SPONSORED BY: NORTH GEORGIA EMC AND APPALACHIAN TECH SERVICES

The Athlete's Dance will be held Friday, Oct. 10 from 8:30 pm-9:45 pm at the Gainesville Middle School Gymnasium following Opening Ceremony. Souvenirs will be sold at the dance and Opening Ceremony.



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North Georgia EMC offers a way for its members to help worthwhile community causes, organizations and individuals—Operation Round Up. The primary purpose of Operation Round Up is to address the charitable needs of service organizations and individuals.

2015 UPCOMING EVENTS

JANUARY 23-25
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FEBRUARY 21

SOUTHEAST POWERLIFTING
STATE WINTER GAMES
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OCT. 10-12 NORTH HALL PARK Venue Directors: Wayne Briscoe and Camrie Schwartz

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Friday

12:30 pm - 1:00 pm Check In Athletes
1:00 pm - 5:00 pm Competition (Football Field)

Saturday

7:30 am - 8:00 am Check In Athletes
8:00 am - 7:00 pm Competition (Football Field)

Sunday

7:30 am - 8:00 am Athlete Check In
8:00 am - until Competition (Football Field)
completed



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OCT. 10-12 NORTH HALL PARK AND LAUREL PARK

Venue Directors: Kristen Daniell, Nic Murphy and Brooke Whitmire

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Friday

11:30 am - 6:30 pm Competition

Saturday

8:00 am - 10:00 pm Competition

Sunday

8:00 am - until Competition
completed

*Unified competition will be on Laurel Park Fields #1 & 2.
*Traditional competition will be on North Hall Park



Bennett Thrasher, a top accounting firm and 8th largest CPA firm in Atlanta, provides comprehensive tax, accounting, assurance and consulting services to clients in Georgia, throughout the United States and internationally.

Softball Skills

Saturday

8:00 am - 1:00 pm Competition
* Athletes compete at Laurel Park, Field #1.

OCT. 11 LAUREL PARK (BOAT PARKING LOT) Venue Director: Mike Little

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Saturday

7:30 am Athlete Check In
9:00 am - 2:00 pm 10K Road Race, 1K Time Trial, 5K Road Race,
500 Meter Time Trial (20 minute break), 5K Time Trial

OCT. 12 CHICOPEE WOODS GOLF COURSE Venue Director: Jim Arendt

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**Saturday
Golf Skills**

7:30 am Athlete Check In
8:00 am - 12:00 pm Competition

9 & 18 Hole Individual & Team Play

7:30 am Athlete Check In
8:00 am - 5:00 pm Competition

MAPS OF CYCLING AT LAUREL PARK, NORTH HALL PARK AND SOFTBALL AT LAUREL PARK

Cycling at Laurel Park



North Hall Park

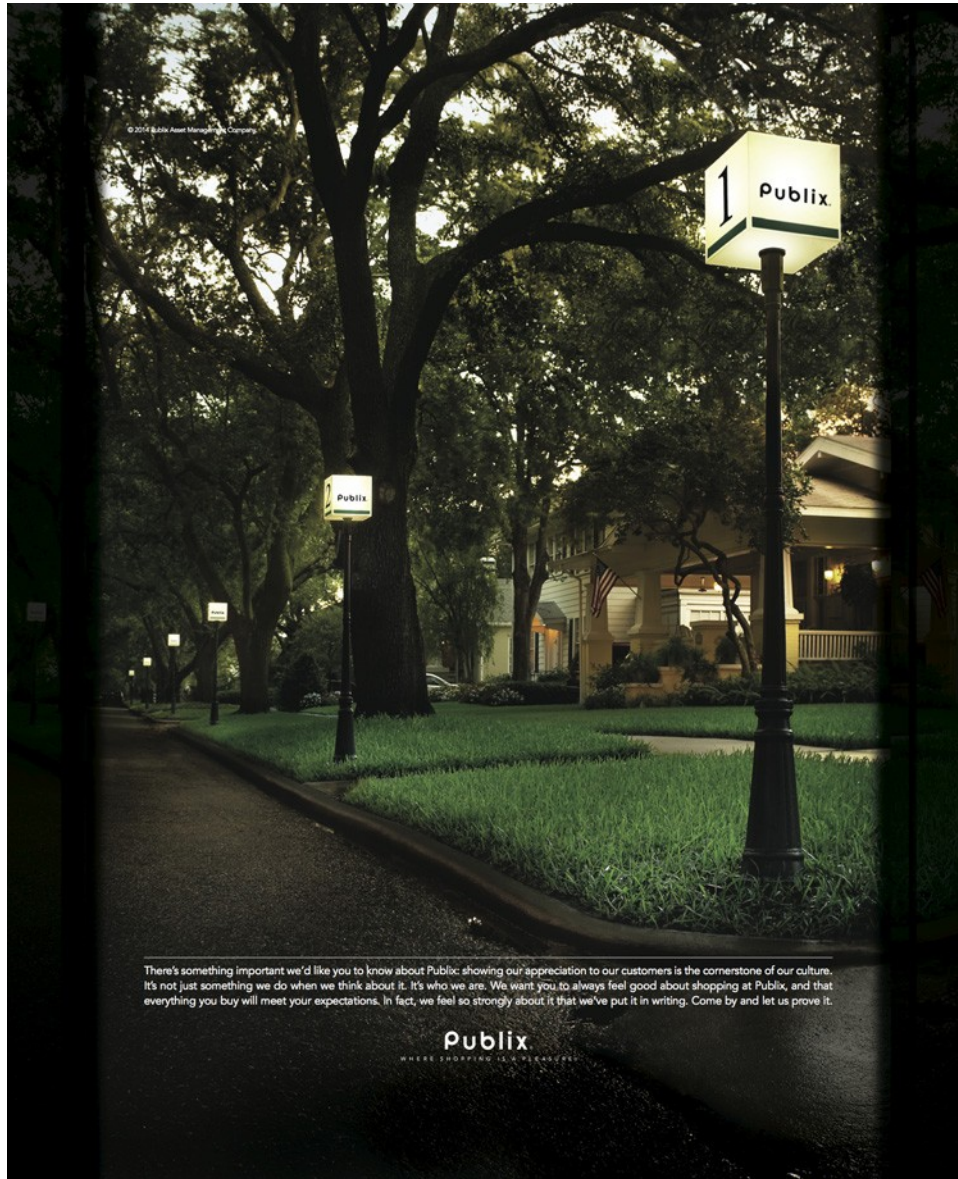


Softball at Laurel Park



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