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February 2024



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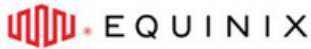
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TO ALL STATE INDOOR
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VOLUNTEERS

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2024 Polar Plunge

Be freezin' for a reason and come out to take The Plunge in support of Special Olympics Georgia Athletes!



Saturday, February 24, 2024
Acworth Beach
4425 Beach St., Acworth, GA 30101

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FRIDAY- MARCH 08, 2024

9AM-2PM

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MAY 24TH-25TH 2024



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The Ryan Foundation has been a major supporter of Special Olympics Georgia for many years. They have played a leading role in sponsoring our State Games as well as being the Presenting Sponsor at the Annual Bob Busse Golf Classic. "The Ryan Foundation is honored to continue its support of Special Olympics Georgia. We welcome the opportunity to demonstrate our commitment by being the Presenting Sponsor for this year's Bob Busse Memorial Golf Classic. We are fortunate to be able to partner on helping all children and adults in Special Olympics Georgia excel in their individual abilities." -Doug DeRito



ATHLETE OF THE MONTH



Kelly R.

Our February Athlete of the Month is Kelly R. Kelly has had an amazing comeback year after a medical event and she worked hard with incredible focus to be back on the pitch. She is a founding member of North Fulton United FC Soccer and always brings a positive attitude and embodies the mission of Special Olympics in all she does! She has been a member of the Atlanta United Unified Soccer Team since 2000, and participates in Special Olympics Georgia basketball, bocce ball, cheerleading, and long-distance running. She has won multiple medals over the years in both Summer and Winter Games, too many to count! Kelly was a member of the bronze winning 2018 USA Summer Games Soccer Team from the State of Georgia. You can also find Kelly at Kroger working hard and greeting everyone with her huge, beautiful smile.

VOLUNTEER OF THE MONTH



Alicia W.

Alicia has volunteered for SOGA for over 10 years. Some of Alicia's favorite memories are from volunteering at State Indoor Winter Games, State Summer Games, State Horse Show and the Polar Plunge.

She continues to believe in our athletes and the organization's mission.

Alicia enjoys giving ribbons and medals to the athletes as they stand proudly on the awards podium, as she watches the joy on the athletes' faces. She and dozens of her co workers at Inwood Holdings volunteered at the Bowling Venue this year at the Indoor Winter Games and loved every minute of it.

Thank you Alicia for your support of time and we look forward to seeing you at multiple events in 2024!

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