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Eskimo Joe's and Local Law Enforcement Officers Raise Funds to Benefit Special Olympics Oklahoma

Who: Special Olympics Oklahoma, local Law Enforcement agencies, and Eskimo Joe's, Mexico Joe's, and Joseppi.

What: Local law enforcement will trade in their handcuffs and badges for aprons and burgers at Eskimo Joe's® restaurants in Oklahoma as part of the [Tip-A-Cop event](#) benefitting Special Olympics. Law enforcement in Stillwater will collect tips and help serve Eskimo Joe's restaurant guests from 5 p.m. to 10 p.m. at all three locations Eskimo Joe's, Mexico Joe's, and Joseppi's.

When: Thursday, March 31 from 5 p.m. to 10 p.m.

Where: All area Eskimo Joe's® restaurants. We encourage Stillwater media to visit one of the local Eskimo Joe's restaurants for interviews and photos with local law enforcement and Special Olympics athletes and representatives.

Why: Supporting local and national causes, like Special Olympics, that promote the health and welfare of families and citizens in local communities is an important part of the Eskimo Joe's culture. Eskimo Joe's has been supporting Special Olympics Programs across the state for the past 14 years and has helped raise more than \$60,000 for Special Olympics Oklahoma. Eskimo Joe's designs a unique T-shirt for Special Olympics Summer Games every year.

[Tip-A-Cop®](#) is part of the annual Law Enforcement Torch Run® (LETR) campaign. LETR, which includes an international series of relay runs and special events like Tip-A-Cop®, is presented by more than 85,000 law enforcement officers worldwide to help raise money and public awareness for Special Olympics. LETR is the largest grassroots fundraiser and public awareness vehicle for Special Olympics through which funds raised go directly to local programs in states or countries where the funds are generated.

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Special Olympics Oklahoma

The Mission of Special Olympics is to provide a year-round program of sports training and athletic competition in a variety of Olympic-type sports for children and adults with intellectual disabilities. Today, more than 9,500 Special Olympics Oklahoma athletes participate in more than 120 sports competitions and training clinic opportunities every year. Competition is offered in 15 official sports. There are opportunities for thousands of volunteers. Visit www.sook.org or call 918-481-1234 for more information.