



Special Olympics
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Special Olympics New Jersey to Honor Athlete, President & COO at Gala

LAWRENCEVILLE – The “4th Annual Inspire Greatness Gala” to benefit Special Olympics New Jersey (SONJ) will take place at the Trump Taj Mahal in Atlantic City on Saturday, April 4, with the cocktail hour beginning at 6 p.m. and the dinner at 7 p.m. SONJ athlete Sean Silver and Shoprite/Wakefern, who will be represented by President and COO Dean Janeway, are this year’s honorees.

Silver, of Sewell, is the recent recipient of the SONJ Hall of Fame award for his unmatched dedication as a Special Olympics athlete. He has been a competitor for over 20 years in six different sports. Silver was recently selected to compete at the 2009 World Winter Games in floor hockey. His sincere devotion to Special Olympics also includes his involvement in the Special Olympics Athlete Congress and his participation in competition as a softball official.

Shoprite/Wakefern and Janeway have been involved with Special Olympics New Jersey since 1988 during the Summer Games at Princeton University. ShopRite/Wakefern donates and delivers over ten tractor trailer loads of food for lunches every year to the Summer Games. They are also a strong supporter of New Jersey Law Enforcement Torch Run for Special Olympics New Jersey.

“Sean Silver and the employees of Shoprite/Wakefern have contributed immensely to the successes and the spirit of Special Olympics New Jersey,” said SONJ President Marc Edenzon. “We are thankful for Sean’s leadership on the field, and for the associates at Wakefern for cheering our athletes on from the sidelines.”

Tickets to the event are \$250 per person. For more information, visit www.sonj.org or call (609) 896-8000.

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ABOUT SONJ: Special Olympics New Jersey provides year-round sports training and athletic competition in a variety of Olympic-type sports for children and adults with intellectual disabilities, giving them continuing opportunities to develop physical fitness, demonstrate courage, experience joy and participate in a sharing of gifts, skills and friendship with their families, other Special Olympics athletes and the community.