



# Special Olympics Centre County

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## SOCC Newsletter March 2007



### Tennis

I hope folks are gearing up for the spring, which means a new Tennis Season! We were fortunate to receive a grant recently and may have some new equipment to share that will certainly make practices much more enjoyable for all. Practices will begin Saturday April 7th from 1-2pm. Please pass the word on to other athletes, even if they never came out for tennis before. We want to show as many people as possible how fun tennis can be!

Call me (466-6645) with any questions and see you soon.

*Mike Wolff, Tennis Coach*

### Spring Golf Schedule

Our golf program will start once again on Tuesday April 3, 2007. We will meet at the parking lot at the Penn State Golf Course off West College Avenue.

If there is bad weather we will not meet. If you are not sure you can call me at 861-3023 or I will try and get a message to you if I have the correct phone number. You do not need to have your own golf clubs to train but you do need to wear sneakers.

April 3	5:30-7:00 PM
April 10	5:30-7:00 PM
April 17	5:30-7:00 PM
April 24	5:30-7:00 PM
May 1	5:30-7:00 PM
May 8	5:30-7:00 PM
May 15	5:30-7:00 PM
May 22	5:30-7:00 PM
May 29	5:30-7:00 PM

If you have any questions contact me at 861-3023.

*Don Chester, Golf Coach*





## *1st Annual Memorial Bowling Tournament*

We will be holding our 1st Annual Memorial Bowling Tournament on Sunday, April 15th from 3 to 5 pm at Northland Bowl. This tournament will be held in loving memory of those that have supported and participated in Special Olympics Centre County over the years. Clinton and Mifflin/Juniata Counties will also be participating in our inaugural event.

## *Come on out for Soccer!!!*

Special Olympics Centre County is pleased to announce that we will be adding soccer to our line-up this fall! If you are interested in participating in soccer please contact Shannon Palma at 237-1486 or [shannon.palma@gmail.com](mailto:shannon.palma@gmail.com). We will share more details as we get closer to the fall season, but we are hoping to start in late August.



## *Geri Ryan Track Meet*

The 36th Annual Geri Ryan Track meet will be held on Thursday, April 12th from 9 AM - 12 PM at the PSU Multisport Complex. Over 100 athletes from Bald Eagle, Bellefonte, Penns Valley and State College Area School Districts are expected to compete along with our own Centre County Athletics team. If you would like to volunteer for this event, please contact Shannon Palma at 237-1486 or [shannon.palma@gmail.com](mailto:shannon.palma@gmail.com).

## Softball Schedule

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Most people think that the birds flying back north is the first sign of spring, but to me it really isn't spring until I see the reemergence of the bats...softball bats that is. The paperwork has been submitted to the Parks & Rec and assuming we get the day/times I have requested (and the field is in playable condition), the first practice will begin at 2:30pm on Sunday, April 1<sup>st</sup> (I promise this is **NOT** an April Fool's joke...we **REALLY** start on April 1<sup>st</sup>). All practices will take place at the south softball field at the Community Fields. This is the same field we used last year and is located behind the high school and next to the Pepper Mill Apartments. During the cooler spring months of April and May, practices will run from 2:30-4:30pm. During the hot summer months of June and July, practices will run from 5:30-7:30pm, which will let us practice during the cooler evening hours.

The tentative schedule is shown here and will be made official when the Parks and Rec Department releases the official field reservations later in the month. If you did not play last year and you want to give softball a try, just give me a call at 235-5209 or just show up at our first practice with a valid medical form. We would love to have you! Our team not only participates in the Spring Sectional (weather permitting) and the Summer Games, but we also compete in 1-2 more tournaments during the summer months (when all of the other sports are done for the season – hmm, extra incentive). I am really looking forward to having another fun and exciting softball season this year! I hope you all are too! Let's play ball!!!

*Glenn Hunter, Softball Coach*

April 1	Practice	2:30-4:30
April 8	(Optional) Practice	2:30-4:30
April 15	Practice	2:30-4:30
April 22	COMPETITION: Spring Sectional @ St. Francis	
April 29	Practice	2:30-4:30
May 6	Practice	2:30-4:30
May 13	Practice	2:30-4:30
May 20	Practice	2:30-4:30
May 27	Practice	2:30-4:30
June 3	Practice	2:30-4:30
June 7 – June 10	COMPETITION: SUMMER GAMES!!! @ Penn State	
June 17	Practice	5:30-7:30
June 24	Practice	5:30-7:30
July 1	Practice	5:30-7:30
July 8	Practice	5:30-7:30
July 15	Practice	5:30-7:30
July 22	Practice	5:30-7:30
July 29	Practice	5:30-7:30

(Competitions will probably be added in July as soon as we receive dates of competitions)

### Management Team

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