



2009
Law Enforcement Torch Run®
**International
Conference**

November 11 - 14 • Connecticut

Conference Information



Special Olympics
Connecticut

Conference Information

Conference Hotel

MGM Grand at Foxwoods
39 Norwich-Westerly Road
Mashantucket, CT 06338
Phone: +1 (866)-646-0050
www.mgmatfoxwoods.com

Air Travel

Bradley International Airport in Hartford, CT. The airport is located approximately 1 hour from the MGM Grand at Foxwoods.

Ground Transportation

Transportation will be offered to all conference attendees to and from Bradley International Airport by our provider, DATTCO. Buses will operate 8:00 am to 6:30 pm on Wednesday, 11 November for arriving guests and on Sunday, 15 November 4:00 am-10:30 am. These are the **ONLY** times that transportation will be offered. Attendees should book arrival and departure flights accordingly. If you choose to arrive at a time that falls outside of the transportation operation hours, you will be on your own to get to and from the hotel. Please remember Bradley International Airport is **located 1 hour from Foxwoods.**

When you arrive, look for the LETR Transportation Committee staff. They will be wearing red shirts and will direct you to baggage claim, our welcome area and the bus loading area.

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Credentials

A conference credential will be provided to each attendee at registration. Please be sure you wear your credentials at all times.

Wednesday, 11 November

Arrivals and Conference Registration

8:00 am - 8:00 pm

From the moment you step off the plane at Bradley International Airport (BDL) in Hartford, Connecticut, a warm feeling of family, friendship and brotherhood will surround you. A friendly greeting from our athletes, along with the men and women of law enforcement, will make you feel as if you never left home!

Enjoy some refreshments in our airport hospitality area, located within the Sheraton Hotel at Bradley, prior to boarding one of our luxurious shuttles for your journey to Foxwoods Resort and the MGM Grand at Foxwoods - which will be your home for the next four days. While onboard, relax while listening to some of your favorite music and enjoy complimentary refreshments.

At the Conference Registration area you will again be greeted by our athletes, members of law enforcement, and one of our Conference Sponsors, the Knights of Columbus. See examples of our demonstration events (Segway Challenge, Ladder Golf) and don't forget to pick up your official 2009 Conference t-shirt and gift bag.

Enjoy the remainder of the day by visiting the spa, dining at one of the 30 restaurants or just strolling along the concourse that connects three of the four resort hotels at Foxwoods.

The Foxtrot

The Foxtrot begins! The Foxtrot (\$20 entry fee required) will have a scavenger hunt theme. You will have to find your way to the participating establishments throughout the resort and purchase and consume a "specialty" drink. Each specialty drink will be offered in both an alcoholic and non-alcoholic version. The Foxtrot continues throughout the week with the winner announced on Saturday evening. Grand Prize: 8 days/7 nights in Puerto Rico (airfare not included).

Newcomer Orientation

6:00 pm - 8:00 pm

SO Executive Director, LETR Director & Liaisons Session

6:00 pm - 8:00 pm

This will be a joint session for these three groups to discuss the LETR movement.

New England Hospitality Night

On site

8:00 pm - 12:00 midnight

New England Hospitality Night will be an event you will not want to miss! With no pre-conference event to attend or arrive early for, this evening will jump start a conference you will not soon forget! This evening of games, light fare, refreshments and prizes will greet you as you enter the massive ballroom which has been transformed into a Monte Carlo Event. Try your hand at blackjack, roulette, craps, baccarat, the "Money Wheel" and of course, poker! Or just relax, reacquaint with Torch Run friends and enjoy the food and beverages.

Should you choose to participate, the buy-in is just \$25.00 for \$500 in chips or \$2,000 in poker chips. Prizes will be awarded at all levels as well as for simply hitting the month or date of your birthday on roulette.



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This gaming event is for beginners, novices and advanced players. Participation is not mandatory.

All proceeds to benefit Special Olympics Connecticut.

Thursday, 12 November

Conference Registration

7:00 am - 5:00 pm

Opening Ceremonies

9:00 am - 10:30 am

The Motivational, Educational and Inspirational factors will hit you from the outset as Thursday morning's Opening Ceremonies encompass the pomp and circumstance of this global movement with moving and informative video presentations, stirring speeches and, of course, our athletes!

Concurrent Sessions

New and innovative concurrent sessions designed to educate, motivate, and inspire you to reach new heights – all in a new format.

Concurrent Session # 1

10:45 am - 12:00 pm

IACP Founders Luncheon

12:15 pm - 1:45 pm

Join us as we salute the founders of the Law Enforcement Torch Run®. Check out the winners of the IACP photo contest and hear more about the global movement!

Concurrent Session # 2

2:00 pm - 3:15 pm

T-Shirt Exchange

5:15 pm - 6:15 pm

Be sure to get in on the action by trading your pins, t-shirts and patches with fellow torch runners from around the globe. This is an experience you won't want to miss!

T-shirt Exchange and Auction Shipping Instructions

If you would like to ship your shirts in advance **please send to the following address:**

Special Olympics Connecticut
2666 State Street, Ste 1
Hamden, CT 06517
Attention: Lisa Carlone

Please arrange to have all packages arrive no earlier than 30 October and no later than 4 November. **Programs will be responsible for storage/drayage fees for any shipments sent directly to the hotel.**

All boxes must be clearly identified with the Program name in bold letters on the outside of the box. This will allow the Conference committee to identify and inventory your shipment. **Do not combine auction items and t-shirts or place other personal items in the boxes as you will not have access to these items in storage prior to the t-shirt exchange and auction.**

New England Host Night

Mashantucket Pequot Museum
110 Pequot Trail
Mashantucket, CT 06338
(800) 411-9671
7:30 pm - midnight

6:00 pm early bus for visitors to the museum (tickets compliments of SOCT).



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New England Host Night will simply astound you! Our venue will be the magnificent Mashantucket Pequot Museum, one of the largest Native American Museums in the country. Add great food, complimentary beverages and the sounds of Avenue Groove and it should make for one unforgettable evening!

Friday, 13 November

General Session

8:15 am - 9:15 am

Learn about the 2009 Final Leg for the World Winter Games in Idaho, as well as the 2009 Global Law Enforcement Torch Run® and others.

Concurrent Session # 3

9:30 am - 10:45 am

Concurrent Session #4

11:00 am - 12:15 pm

Honors Luncheon

12:30 pm - 2:30 pm

Join us as we celebrate the accomplishments of Law Enforcement Torch Run programs across the globe and honor those who are responsible for the

success of the Torch Run movement. Hear from Special Olympics athlete and SOI board member Loretta Claiborne. She is sure to inspire all of you!

Concurrent Session # 5

2:45 pm - 4:00 pm

Live and Silent Auction Reception

5:00 pm - 7:00 pm

A Live/Silent Auction with a new twist!

Here are just a few of the fantastic items you will have the opportunity to bid on:

- 8 days/7 nights in Puerto Rico
- 6 days/6 nights South Africa Photo Safari
- Bon Jovi autographed guitar
- Martina McBride autographed guitar
- Heisman Football autographed by 20 Heisman winners from 1951-2007
- Philadelphia Eagles jersey signed by Donovan McNabb

Attendees wishing to donate items to the auction may drop them off at the auction table at registration or ship items following the shipping instructions listed under the T-Shirt Exchange.

Saturday, 14 November

General Session

8:30 am - 10:00 am

Torch Run® Event

The first 500 registrants will receive an official Torch Run event t-shirt.

This event will be a Torch Run, not a timed event. A walk will be incorporated into this event for those not wishing to run but still wanting to participate.

Segway Challenge

Four members per team.

The Segway (self balancing personal transportation device) must be navigated through a cone course. Sounds easy? Add a RedMan suit and fatal vision goggles and then tell us what you think!

Pricing for the Torch Run and Segway Challenge is \$20 per participant or \$35 per participant when registering for both events. Registration/payment will take place on-site.

Ladder Golf

Two members per team (1 athlete, 1 participant) Bracket format. Toss bolas (2 golf balls connected



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by a rope) onto a ladder. Points awarded as follows: 3 points for the top step, 2 points for the middle step and 1 for the bottom step. Various ways to earn extra points in this game played to 21!

Hall of Fame Reception

5:30 pm - 6:30 pm

Hall of Fame Banquet/Closing Ceremonies

6:30 pm - 9:30 pm

As we bring this year's conference to a close, join us for the 2009 Richard LaMunyon Hall of Fame Banquet. The Hall of Fame award recognizes volunteers who have demonstrated a sustained and significant contribution to the Torch Run and Special Olympics communities. Join us for what is sure to be a memorable evening as we recognize our fellow torch runners and pass the Flame of Hope™ to Southern California for 2010!

Southern California Hospitality Event

9:30 pm - 12:00 am

On Saturday night, immediately following the Richard LaMunyon Hall of Fame Banquet, enjoy a special evening with your 2010 conference host, Southern California. Whether you want to dance the night away to the classic surf-rock favorites of the live band "The Aquatudes," talk with Torch Run friends or just relax and unwind with a "Blue Wave" specialty beverage, Southern California promises to provide the perfect opportunity to preview what is in store for you in Long Beach, California. Change from your banquet attire, come casual and get ready to "Catch the Wave." This will be held on site in the beautifully appointed pre-function reception area directly outside the Premier Ballroom.



Conference registration fees:

Delegate Types	Early Rate (Before 30 September)	Regular Rate (After 30 September)
Conference Attendee	US \$370	US \$420
Guest - Full Conference	US \$320	US \$370
Guest - Closing Banquet Only	US \$75	US \$85

Registration will open in early August 2009. Liaisons will be notified prior to the "go live" date as well as receive detailed instructions on how to register delegations.

To register please visit <http://info.specialolympics.org/2009letrconference>

