

GCA Teams up with Georgia Special Olympics

Editorial Staff

The Georgia Chiropractic Association (GCA) announced that it will sponsor the recruitment efforts and registration costs for the Georgia Special Olympics (GSO), a program of sports training and competition for those with mental retardation.

According to Dr. Patrick J. Sallurulo, chairman of the GCA's Georgia Special Olympic fund, the organization has committed more than \$50,000 to the GSO, making it the largest contributor this year. "These monies will directly benefit each of the 20,000 Special Olympians in our state, as well as pave the way for those not currently registered to have a place within Georgia Special Olympics," said Dr. Sallurulo.

To kick off their GSO fund raising efforts, the GCA held an initial "Appreciation Day" during the second week of February. GCA doctors provided services free of charge in exchange for a donation to GSO. The DCs raised \$4,901, bringing the organization's total donations to GSO to \$10,501.

The GCA has scheduled another Appreciation Day for the first week in May, this time on a state-wide scale. Information on how to hold your own Appreciation Day is available from members who participated in the trial run in February, or from members of the GCA/GSO Committee. For a list of these doctors, contact the GCA at (404) 688-3730.

The "Doctors with a Heart" organization has announced that it is willing to provide each GCA member with a information packet on how to have a successful Appreciation Day. The usual fee for joining this organization is \$100, but members of the GCA have been offered a fee waiver. The address and telephone number are:

Doctors with a Heart
3518 Beechwood Terrace
Pinellas Park, FL 34665
(813) 576-5222

Executive Director of Georgia Special Olympics commented, "We are very honored to have been chosen as the beneficiary of the GCA philanthropy. Their support will create many new and wonderful opportunities for Georgians with mental retardation."

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