



Special Olympics
Massachusetts

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Boston, MA, May 13, 2008 - Special Olympics Massachusetts has announced 10 local athletes will join Team USA for the 2009 World Winter Games. With approximately 3,000 athletes, 9,000 additional guests and media, and 6,000 volunteers representing 85 countries, this will be the largest multi-day winter sports competition in the U.S. Special Olympics Massachusetts is pleased to announce its delegation of athletes that will represent the organization as part of Team USA:

ALPINE SKIING

Jessica MacDonald – Cohasset
Donald Russell – Groton

NORDIC SKIING

Jenna Montgomery – North Adams
James Cowell – Pittsfield

FIGURE SKATING

Cathy Rahilly – Westfield
Elizabeth McCourt---Boxford
Michael Finlay – Malden
William Holbrook – Everett

SPEED SKATING

Rebecca Zimmerman – Stoughton
Patrick Adams – Longmeadow

The 2009 Special Olympics World Winter Games will take place in and around Boise, Idaho, on February 6-13, 2009 at the following locations:

- Alpine Skiing – Bogus Basin Ski Resort, Boise
- Cross-Country Skiing – Sun Valley Resort, Sun Valley
- Figure Skating – Qwest Arena, Boise
- Floor Hockey – Site TBC, Idaho
- Snowboarding – Tamarack Resort, Tamarack
- Snowshoeing – Sun Valley Resort, Sun Valley
- Speed Skating – Idaho IceWorld, Boise

For more information on the 2009 Special Olympics World Winter Games, please stay tuned to this site or visit www.2009sworldgames.org or visit www.SpecialOlympicsMA.org.

ABOUT SPECIAL OLYMPICS

Special Olympics is an international year-round program of sports training and competition for individuals with intellectual disabilities. More than one million athletes in over 160 countries train and compete in 26 Olympic-type summer and winter sports. Founded in 1968 by Eunice Kennedy Shriver, Special Olympics provides people with intellectual disabilities continuing opportunities to develop fitness, demonstrate courage, and experience joy as they participate in the sharing of gifts and friendship with other athletes, their families and the community. There is no cost to participate in Special Olympics. Visit online at www.SpecialOlympicsMA.org.