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TEAM UP WITH OCPD AND FOP LODGE #10 TO SUPPORT MARYLAND SPECIAL OLYMPICS

The Ocean City Police Department in conjunction with OCPD Lodge #10, is sponsoring a team to participate in the upcoming Maryland State Police "Plunge, **Plungapalooza 2010**", to benefit Maryland Special Olympics.

It's Plungapalooza 2010 featuring the Maryland State Police Polar Bear Plunge and it's all happening January 30, 2010 at Sandy Point State Park in Annapolis.



Anyone can join the OCPD/FOP Lodge 10 team, wanna-be Plungers need only raise a minimum of \$50 in pledges (or as a personal donation) in order to be a part of the fun. For that contribution, all participants receive a commemorative Plunge sweatshirt, lunch courtesy of new Plunge sponsor The Greene Turtle, and a photo gift. Additional event premiums are available for those raising \$500 and above. New for 2010, this list of premiums includes a free Carnival Cruise for those raising \$3500 or more, along with the standard Plunge gear like fleeces, jackets and bags. Registration is now open for the event and available online at www.plungemd.com or by calling 1-800-541-7544 x503. Wanna-be plungers may also contact OCPD Lt. Richard Currence at: 410-723-6629 or email: rcurrence@ococean.com. The OCPD/FOP Lodge 10 team will "plunge" at 3 p.m.

About Special Olympics Maryland

The Plunge is the organization's largest single-day fundraiser, grossing more than \$13 million in support of 10,000 Special Olympics Maryland athletes since its inception in 1997. Due in large part to the success of the MSP Plunge, SOMD has implemented Young Athletes -- an innovative new "play" program for youngsters ages 2 to 7. This program focuses on early intervention in building and improving fine motor skills and hand-eye coordination in children with intellectual disabilities.

SOMD is a year-round sports organization dedicated to providing quality sports training and competition opportunities to Maryland's children and adults with intellectual disabilities and/or closely related development disabilities. SOMD currently serves 10,000 athletes statewide, and offers 28 sports, all at no cost to the athletes or their families. For more information about SOMD visit www.somd.org or call 410-789-6677 x117.

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