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Over \$1,500 Raised for the Law Enforcement Torch Run to benefit Special Olympics

For Immediate Release: The Pamunkey Regional Jail recently closed out a fundraising raffle to benefit Special Olympics to great success.

In previous years, the jail raised funds for this worthwhile organization by holding a Pistol Competition amongst area Law Enforcement agencies, but this year went in a different direction.

“We saw with the downturn in the economy, that many agencies and individuals would not be able to afford to respond to fundraising in the traditional way, and we needed to be able to adapt to those changes. Holding a raffle was one way to continue to give but not bust anyone’s budget in the process,” said James C. Willett, Pamunkey Regional Jail Superintendent. “We’d like to thank all those that sold and purchased tickets to help make this year a success.”

The Special Olympics is an international nonprofit organization dedicated to empowering individuals with intellectual disabilities to become physically fit, productive and respected members of society through sports training and competition. Special Olympics offer children and adults with intellectual disabilities year-round training and competition in 30 Olympic-type summer and winter sports. The Law Enforcement Torch Run for Special Olympics is the movement's largest grass-roots fundraiser and public awareness vehicle. Last year, more than 85,000 law enforcement officers carried the Flame of Hope across the U.S. as well as 35 other nations, raising awareness and funds for Special Olympics.

For more information about the Law Enforcement Torch Run to benefit the Special Olympics, please contact the Special Olympics of Virginia at 877-874-7462 or www.torchrunva.com .

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