



**MEDIA ADVISORY FOR MARCH 20, 2008**  
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**WASHOE COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE TURN IN THEIR HANDCUFFS FOR SERVING TRAYS**

**APPLEBEE'S TIP-A-COP® FOR SPECIAL OLYMPICS NEVADA  
 THURSDAY, MARCH 20<sup>TH</sup>**

**NEVADA** – Deputies from the Washoe County Sheriff's Office will work as 'Celebrity Hosts' through a unique program called Tip-A-Cop®. Deputies will trade in their handcuffs for menus and serving trays as they serve food and drinks to restaurant patrons. Lunch and dinner guests will enjoy a fun time with great entertainment, good food and excellent service! In 2007, 'Special Tips' donated to Law Enforcement generated over \$51,000.

"Applebee's is all about serving our neighbors," Steve Dettman, area director for Applebee's, said. "Our entire staff really enjoys supporting such a terrific group of law enforcement that does so much for our community. We appreciate all of the guests who stop by and give the officers generous tips to support a very worthy cause."

**WHEN:** Thursday, March 20<sup>th</sup> Lunch: 11:00 A.M. – 3:00 P.M.  
 Dinner: 5:00 P.M. – 9:00 P.M.

**WHERE:** Applebee's Restaurant - 693 North McCarran Blvd. Sparks, NV 89431

**WHO:** Washoe County Sheriff's Office Deputies  
 Special Olympics Nevada Athletes and Volunteers

**Special Guest: Washoe County Deputy Frank Bozanich** – Considered one of the best ultramarathon runners in the US during the 70's and into the 90's, Bozanich was once ranked 3rd in the World at 100 km. He will volunteer his time and be on hand to support Special Olympics.

**PHOTO OPPORTUNITIES:** Lunch, best time between 12pm – 2pm.  
Dinner, best time between 6 pm and 8 pm.

*About Special Olympics Nevada: Special Olympics Nevada is a free year-round sports program that provides training and competition for more than 3,000 children and adults with developmental disabilities. Law Enforcement supports Special Olympics worldwide through the Law Enforcement Torch Run program and has been the largest grass-roots fundraiser and public awareness vehicle for the past 27 years. In 2007 alone, the Law Enforcement Torch Run raised over US\$30 million worldwide. For more information, please visit: [www.sonv.org](http://www.sonv.org).*

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