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SPD to wait tables for worthy cause

Police officers and corporals from the Springfield Police Department will soon serve restaurant guests and accept donations, in the form of tips, which will support Special Olympics Missouri's sports training and athletic competition for more than 16,000 individuals with intellectual disabilities in Missouri.

Many agencies across the nation are joining together in honor of this cause. The "Tip-A-Cop" event benefitting Special Olympics will be from 2-8 p.m. July 13 at Texas Roadhouse, 255 E. Monastery St. SPD will also be selling \$5 raffle tickets for the chance to win a 2013 Dodge Challenger.

Tip-A-Cop® is part of the annual Law Enforcement Torch Run® (LETR) campaign. LETR, which includes an international series of relay runs and special events like Tip-A-Cop®, is presented by more than 144,000 law enforcement officers worldwide to help raise money and public awareness for Special Olympics. LETR is the largest grassroots fundraiser and public awareness vehicle for Special Olympics through which funds raised go directly to local programs in states or countries where the funds are generated. The SPD has participated and continues to support the LETR campaign nationwide.

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