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THE RICHARD STOCKTON COLLEGE OF NEW JERSEY



South Jersey Special Olympics Slated for Stockton's G. Larry James Stadium

Event set for May 1, 2011

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Galloway Township, NJ- On Sunday, May 1, 2011, The Richard Stockton College of New Jersey will host its Annual South Jersey Special Olympics Track and Field meet at the G. Larry James Stadium, located on the College's main Galloway Township campus. The event will begin at 8:00 a.m. and conclude at 4:00 p.m.

Stockton's Assistant Director of Counseling and Health Services, Robert J. Ross, said, "In 2009 we had over 150 athletes who participated in our inaugural Special Olympics event. We also had over 75 student volunteers and representation from 12 Stockton clubs and Greek organizations." Last year's even was cancelled due to inclement weather.

Participating athletes— ranging from eight-years-old to adult—will compete on Stockton's track, which is named in honor of the late G. Larry James, former Athletic Director who shaped Stockton's athletics department and launched and lead the building campaign of Stockton's 70,000-square foot multi-purpose recreation center.

For more information or to volunteer, contact Robert.Ross@stockton.edu or call 652-4988.

James was a member of the 1968 United States Olympic 4x400 relay team, which won a gold medal and held one of the oldest running world records in track and field. James also won an individual silver medal in the same Olympics, in Mexico City.

Ross said, "The G. Larry James Stadium is a very fitting venue for this event."

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