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Pinion Host Annual St. Patrick's Day Social



Pinion Inc., benefiting Special Olympics Broward County and its Athletes, is hosting its annual St. Patrick's Day Social on Wednesday, March 9 from 6:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. at the beautiful Briny Irish Pub on the Riverfront.

Wear your favorite Irish regalia, and come out to the Riverfront to enjoy the festivities and support these very special athletes. Only \$40 includes two complimentary cocktails and Briny's famous Irish-themed buffet, with all proceeds going directly to Special Olympics Broward County. The evening will be capped with a fabulous Chinese auction.

Event chairs Jill Pearson and Birgit Fillingame are joined by committee members Janea Caldarone, Brenda Franco, Irene Short, Marian McCray-DeLoach and Pinion 2014-16 President Linda Danoff in planning the merriment.

Make sure you register early at www.PinionInc.com (click on RSVP Events) as this event-of-the-season will surely sell out quickly.

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Wear Green! Drink Green! Spend Green!! Win GreenIII



### President's Corner by Linda Danoff

# Happy Valentine's Day!

Where did 2015 go? It seems it just started and here we are already in 2016. Last year was an incredible year for Pinion. We wrapped up our year kicking off the holiday season with "PINION'S WHIMSICAL WINTER WONDERLAND" at the beautiful waterfront estate of Steven Savor with over 300 guests. The rain did not dampen our spirits. We danced the night away while sipping on champagne! Thank you to Chad at Galaxy Productions for the incredible décor. A special thanks to our sponsors, members, guests, board and volunteers for all your wonderful support. Pinion raised over \$90,000 at this wonderful event. Thank you, to all!

Last month, Whole Foods, Pompano Beach hosted **PINION** at Uncorked Thursday Night Wine Tasting. We enjoyed the evening with live music, several delicious wines and perfectly paired bites. All proceeds benefited **PINION**. Thank you Ron McCann!

It's now time to celebrate Saint Patrick's Day! Join us at Briny Irish Pub on the Riverfront, Wednesday, March 9th at 6 p.m. for our annual St Patrick's Day celebration **Erin Go Bragh! Pinion Go Bragh!** Enjoy an Irish themed buffet and lively Irish entertainment. Remember to wear green!

Spring also signals the **Spring/Summer Special Olympics of Broward County Games**, scheduled for March 5th at Cardinal Gibbons High School. Athlete arrival at 8:30 a.m. and Opening Ceremonies commencing at 9:30 a.m. Please join us and cheer on our special athletes as they strive to obtain their Olympic medal

**Pinion Passion Hours** are continuing to attract more

and more friends of Pinion. Our upcoming gracious hosts are: **Blue Martini, February 2**<sup>nd</sup> and Beauty & the Feast, May 5<sup>th</sup> 5:30 – 7:00p.m. Join us and bring your friends for an opportunity to meet or greet new friends.

Before you know it, it will be our Pinion End of Year Luncheon celebration. We will be 'Partying Like Its 1991' as we start the celebration of PINION's 25th year! Plan on joining us at Timpano's Italian Chophouse, Friday, May 20th. This is a fun luncheon that sells out quickly. Please mark your calendar and plan on joining us.

As I approach the end of my second year as the President of Pinion, I would like to thank the Pinion board, our very loyal membership and sponsors. Without your continued support Pinion could not be successful in supporting our very special athletes of Broward County. I invite you to volunteer on our upcoming events, invite your friends and associates to become involved too. *Pinion is going to Rock This Town for our athletes*.

Linda

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The Holiday spirit was magical at the beautiful Fort Lauderdale waterfront estate of Steven Savor, as Pinion Inc, Benefiting Special Olympics of Broward County kickedoff the Holiday Season with "Pinion's Whimsical Winter Wonderland". The night was filled with epicurean delights, delectable drinks, tireless dancing and our live and silent auctions! All funds raised, \$90,000+ benefits our special athletes and we had an incredible time doing it.

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Clio Connors, Jackie Johnston, Linda Danoff, Andrea Kimple



Magical mystery woman & Steve Savor



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Whimsical Winter Wonderland



Special thanks to Ginny Fujino at Black Tie South Florida for her great photos.

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Pinion, Inc., an all volunteer 501(c)(3) charitable organization, has raised money for the Special Olympics for over 19 years. 100% of our donations to Special Olympics provide these special individuals with the opportunity to participate in the Special Olympics Program.

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P lease send your email address to **Barbara Corrao** at <u>Barbara.Corrao@RaymondJames.com.</u> The Passion Hours ONLY receive an invitation via email.

# Victory Living...Shopped till we ran out-of money!



# Whole Foods Wine Tasting











**Beauty & the Feast Bar | Kitchen** 601 N. Ft. Lauderdale Beach Blvd., Fort Lauderdale



**T riday May 20th**, come to lunch at Timpano's Italian Chophouse on Las Olas with all your Pinion friends. Together, let's celebrate another banner year and kick off our *25th year of Fun Fundraising*!

On the menu: delicious food, superb wines, luxurious silent auction, great memories, lasting friendships and most of all, a taste of our bright and exciting future, raising funds for the Broward County Special Olympics and its Athletes.



# Special Olympics Update

### 2016 State Basketball is over...

Broward Teams did great!! Unified Teams - 3 Gold Traditional Teams - 1 Silver, 1 Bronze 3 on 3 - Bronze Skills Teams - 1 Silver, 2 Bronze Ind Skills - 2 Gold, 1 Silver

#### Congratulations everyone !!!!!









# Volunteers Needed!!!!

### SPECIAL OLYMPICS FLORIDA - BROWARD COUNTY SUMMER GAMES



### SATURDAY, MARCH 5, 2016 CARDINAL GIBBONS HIGH SCHOOL

2900 NE 47th St, Fort Lauderdale, FL 33308 (954) 491-2900

Volunteer jobs include:

Timing races, scorekeeping/results, presenting awards, meal distribution, escorting athletes/buddy

Sports included: athletics, bocce, cycling, soccer, volleyball





Volunteer/Coach Registration: 8:30 AM - 9:00 AM Opening Ceremonies: 9:00 AM – 9:30 AM Event Competition: 9:45 AM - 3:30 PM Lunch: 11:00 AM – 1:00 PM Competition Ends: 3:30 PM Clean-up: 3:30 PM – 5:00 PM

All volunteers will receive a Special Olympics t-shirt and lunch. Students will receive community service hours for volunteering at this event. Volunteers of all ages welcome, those under the age of 13 should be accompanied by a chaperone

VOLUNTEER PRE-REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED AND IS ON A FIRST COME FIRST SERVE BASIS TO REGISTER AS A VOLUNTEER: sign up @ http://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f0849acab29abf58-county2



### For more information: www.specialolympicsbroward.org

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Special Thank You to... **Steve Savor** for Graciously Hosting Pinion

in his beautiful waterfront estate.

### **Pinion Inc.**

It is the mission of Pinion, Inc., a not-for-profit 501(c) (3) organization, to conduct charitable drives and social events within our local community to raise funds for its chosen recipient, Special Olympics. The Broward Special Olympics program provides year round sports training and athletic competition in a variety of Olympic-type sports for individuals eight years of age and older with mental handicaps, giving them continuing opportunities to develope physical fitness, demonstrate courage, experience joy and participate in a sharing of gifts, skills and friendship with their families, other Special Olympic athletes and the community.

For more information, please visit our website at *www. pinioninc.com.* 

### Calendar of Events

### 2016

--- MARCH ---Wednesday, March 9<sup>tj</sup>......*Erin Go Bragh! Pinion Go Bragh!* Briny Riverfront - Irish Bar & Restaurant 305 S. Andrews Ave. • Ft. Lauderdale 6:00 - 9:00pm

#### -APRIL-

Tuesday, April 5<sup>th</sup>.....*Pinion Passion Hour* Beauty & the Feast 601 N. Fort Lauderdale Beach Blvd. • Ft. Lauderdale 5:30 - 7:00pm

#### — MAY —

Tuesday, May 5 <sup>th</sup>	Jack's Joint
	Stache 1920's Drinking Den
	109 SW 2 Ave. • Ft. Lauderdale
	7:00 - 11:00pm

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