PURPOSE
This award is presented by the Law Enforcement Torch Run International Executive Council and is the most prestigious award given in the Law Enforcement Torch Run movement. In 1992, the Richard LaMunyon Law Enforcement Torch Run for Special Olympics Hall of Fame was created to recognize the finest of the Torch Run movement. Currently inducting no more than three nominees each year, this honor is bestowed upon those who have demonstrated exceptional leadership, commitment and dedication to the cause at the local, state, national, and international levels. Hall of Fame inductees from the past, present, and future, represent those who have dared to carry the Flame of Hope™ into uncharted territories; excel our mission to new levels; or have demonstrated unwavering leadership in the development of our cause.

SELECTION
The nomination process opens to all LETR Programs on Monday March 30, 2015. All nominations applications and their required support materials must be submitted via the online format available through the official LETR website http://www.letr.org and received no later than 5:00 PM, EDT, Sunday, May 31, 2015. Nominations may be submitted by an individual, a Torch Run program or a Special Olympics Program. The selection committee may select up to as many as three inductees annually when more than one recipient is deemed appropriate by the committee. The award presentation will be conducted at the Law Enforcement Torch Run International Conference Richard LaMunyon Hall of Banquet Friday evening, October 3, 2015.

Hall of Fame nominees will remain in consideration for two years in total. Nominees not selected in their first year of eligibility will remain in consideration for one (1) additional year. It is the responsibility of the nominator to update the nomination application for the second year of eligibility. Failure to do so will be considered an incomplete application process and could result in no consideration of the nominee for the award.

Eligible Nominees for 2015 carried over from 2014 requiring updated applications are:
Stewart Myer, Oklahoma (2014)
CRITERIA

To be inducted into the Richard LaMunyon Hall of Fame is to receive the most prestigious recognition within Law Enforcement Torch Run and become embodied in the legacy of this great movement. The nominee’s involvement must demonstrate a sustained and significant contribution to the achievement of the goals of the Law Enforcement Torch Run®.

To be eligible for induction, a nominee must have participated for at least five (5) years in the Law Enforcement Torch Run and have demonstrated comprehensive, outstanding achievement in Law Enforcement Torch Run development, organization and fund raising success on a local, state or provincial, country and international level.

All nominations must, at the time of submission, include a completed nomination application that is provided in this packet, two (2) letters of recommendation from people who have worked with the nominee and six (6) to eight (8) digital photos of the nominee meeting the listed photograph requirements.

All of these items must be received by the due date for the nomination to be considered. No exceptions. Failure to include requisite materials will be considered an incomplete nomination packet and could result in no consideration of the nominee for the award.

To obtain the official Hall of Fame Award nomination application, you must go to the LETR website http://www.letr.org, position your cursor over the Links button in the upper right corner of the main page and click on the LETR International Conference website button.

Nomination forms can be found under the Awards & Recognition button in the upper right corner of the conference main page.
PROCESS

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A Security Code is required to complete the on-line submission process. The code for the Hall of Fame Nominations is 031015

All LETR Programs will receive notification of the application process. All submitted nominations are then sent to the Hall of Fame Selection Committee. A Committee will be appointed with the Chairperson of the Executive Council serving as the Committee Chairperson. At least two members of the Committee will be past Hall of Fame inductees still active in the Torch Run. At least two members of the Committee will be current members of the Executive Council who are past Hall of Fame inductees. Richard LaMunyon serves as a standing member of the Committee.

Each committee member will review the nomination applications and support materials and independently vote for each nominee in rank order fashion. Notification of the recipient’s selection will be made to the nominator, otherwise the result will be kept confidential and not extend beyond the selection committee and nominator. If possible, arrangements will be made to ensure the presence of the honoree. All nominees will be announced at the conference. All nominees and recipients will be announced at the LETR International Conference award presentation.

For the nominee to be considered the completed nomination application must be accompanied by:

1. Two (2) letters of support from people who have worked with the nominee.
2. Six (6) to eight (8) digital photos of the nominee meeting the listed photograph requirements
3. Approval of the nominee’s Special Olympics Program CEO.

Questions or comments regarding the criteria and selection process for this award should be directed to the LETR Executive Council Chairman.
PHOTO REQUIREMENTS

In order to create the highest quality presentation, Programs should submit only high resolution digital photos in JPG file format. Photos should be minimally 1 MB per photo to achieve the necessary resolution for a sharp image projection on the IMAG screens at the conference. Photos taken with a cell phone are typically not suitable for projection. Photos that have been compressed for emailing or do not meet the above minimum file size requirements are unusable for this project as the quality and clarity of these compressed files is severely compromised and therefore cannot be used.

Additionally, submitted photos of your candidate should be “semi-close-ups” with a relatively uncluttered background so that they are readily recognizable in the photo. At least one photo should be a close-up of the nominee, preferably and where possible, an “official” department photograph. Your assistance in providing digital images with your application for nomination that meet these minimum requirements is much appreciated.