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Extreme fundraisers set to go16 stories Over The Edge for Special Olympics

Albuquerque, NM - More than 60 thrill-seekers will face the challenge of rappelling 16 stories in downtown Albuquerque next month for the *2013 Over The Edge New Mexico* (OTENM) fund raiser.

OTENM is an exclusive fund raiser for *Special Olympics New Mexico* (SONM) that involves a 16-story, 230 ft. rappel down the side of the **New Mexico Bank and Trust Building** located at 320 Gold Ave. on **Friday, September 20**th from **8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m**. Year after year, the event has delivered a one-of-a-kind experience to SONM supporters, even for the most advanced outdoor enthusiast.

The event not only supports more than 2,600 athletes served in Special Olympics, but also provides an opportunity for participants to connect personally with how these courageous individuals with intellectual disabilities view their own challenges.

As a special treat this year, Craig DeMartino – climber, amputee and 5-time Gold Medalist in the Extremity Games – will be participating in the Over the Edge rappel.

Each registered participant is required to raise a minimum of \$1,000 to participate. All proceeds will go to benefit SONM's athletes and year-round, statewide sports program. Over The Edge for Special Olympics is sponsored by Rosemont Realty, Harnick Orthodontics, Precision Door Services, and Stone Age Climbing Gym. For more information, visit www.OverTheEdgeNM.com or call (505) 856-0342.

Special Olympics New Mexico provides year-round sports training and athletic competition in a variety of Olympic-type sports for children and adults with intellectual disabilities, giving them continuing opportunities to develop physical fitness, demonstrate courage, experience joy and participate in a sharing of gifts, skills and friendship with their families, other Special Olympics athletes and the community. Today, Special Olympics New Mexico serves over 2,600 athletes, offering training and competition in 14 sports. SONM is sponsored year-round by New Mexico Knights of Columbus, New Mexico Law Enforcement Torch Run, Dex Media, French Funerals Cremations, Wells Fargo, Daniels Fund, The Payroll Company, Mark's Casa Auto Group and Conoco Phillips

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