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February 19, 2013 - Local 1st Responders support the Special Olympics of Louisiana's Annual Polar Plunge Freezin' For A Reason Fund Raiser

The Shreveport Fire Department is joining other first responders and law enforcement officers from across the country in supporting thousands of children and adults with intellectual disabilities by participating in the Special Olympics of Louisiana's 5th Annual Polar Plunge. This event will be held Saturday, March 2, 2013 at the American Legion, Lowe-McFarlane Post#14 on Cross Lake.

The Polar Plunge is a unique opportunity for individuals, organizations, and businesses to support local Special Olympics by jumping or running into icy cold waters. The theme is "Freezin' for a Reason."

Members from SFD's elite dive and rescue team will be on hand to ensure participant's well-being and safety during the event. In addition to personnel, the Shreveport Fire Department's dive van, boat, and K-9 trailer will be on-site and readily available if needed. The Caddo-Bossier Department of Homeland Security and Emergency Preparedness will provide generators, heaters, and outdoor dressing accommodations.

According to Battalion Chief Kerry Foster, we're pleased and honored to help the Special Olympics of Louisiana make this event successful.

Individuals or groups are encouraged to participate. Registration fee is \$50.00 per person. Check-in begins at 7:30 a.m. and the plunge starts at 9:00 a.m. The funds collected will strengthen the year-round programs for 13,500 children and adults living in 64 Louisiana parishes. ###