

# Special Olympics athletes on their way here

In but a few days, hundreds of very special people will converge on Swift Current to participate in the Saskatchewan Special Olympics, this city acting as hosts.

Dozens of local people, keyed by a committee of hardworking volunteers, have put forward a tremendous effort to make these games not only a success, but a special honor for the athletes involved. They deserve a special salute.

However, the real recognition must go to the athletes, both from the Southwest, and through the province, who give of themselves so diligently in their athletic endeavors.

For those who have seen the mentally handicapped in these games, you realize the heart, desire and spirit that is generated to compete, yet have fun, to learn and be part of a team, to excell individually and collectively, to be, above all, part of the community-at-large.

The competition, the games, are heartwarming, exciting, rewarding and excellent spectator activities. We encourage the people of Swift Current to attend the games and cheer on not only local participants, but all those who will be challenging their athletic abilities.

To the athletes, the community is behind you; to the organizers, the community salutes you.