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Dulles Day Family Festival and 14th Annual Plane Pull

Call for Teams for October 7 Event to Benefit Special Olympics Virginia



Think you have what it takes to win a tug-of-war match against a 157,000 pound aircraft?

The Metropolitan Washington Airports Authority is hosting the 14th annual Plane Pull, part of the Dulles Day Family Festival, on October 7. Teams are needed for the Plane Pull event, which benefits Special Olympics Virginia.

A Plane Pull team is made up of 20 people who pull the plane 12 feet by a rope attached to the front wheels. A minimum of \$1,000 in team sponsorship is required. That's just \$50 in pledges per person. Teams receive 25 customized team T-shirts, a plaque and team photo, and company listing on the event website and promotional material. Trophies are awarded in several categories, including fastest pull and lightest team.

No need to hit the gym. This is a fun competition with all proceeds benefiting Special Olympics Virginia—a great activity for corporate and service groups or any group of 20 friends.

The Dulles Day Family Festival is a free event open to the public featuring live music, kids' amusements, classic car show and aircraft displays in addition to the Plane Pull event.

Call Michelle Gates at 703-359-4301 for more information and to register your team or visit www.planepull.com.

When the Metropolitan Washington Airports Authority Police Department organized the first Dulles Plane Pull in 1992 to raise money for Special Olympics Virginia, it was the first event of its kind. Similar events are now held at other airports across the country, but Dulles is the original. Over the years, the Dulles Plane Pull has raised more than \$700,000 for Special Olympics Virginia.

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