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“Burke Rehabilitation Hospital Hosts 39th Annual Wheelchair Games”

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WHITE PLAINS, N.Y.—[~~September 5, 2018~~DATE], 2018— Wheelchair athletes of all ages and ability levels are invited to participate in Burke Rehabilitation Hospital’s 39th Annual Wheelchair Games on Saturday, September, 22, 2018. The event will be held on Burke’s beautiful 61-acre campus in White Plains (~~785 Mamaroneck Ave.~~).

The Wheelchair Games provide an opportunity for athletes with various ability levels to showcase their skills and participate in friendly competition. This year’s Games will include a variety of track, field, table tennis and basketball events and more. Participants will be organized into divisions based on age and ability.

The Wheelchair Games have become a community favorite in the near 40 years since the tradition started at Burke. The inclusive nature of the Games promises a full day of confidence building for athletes and inspiration for all those who come to support them.

“The Wheelchair Games gives athletes of all abilities the opportunity to compete in events they otherwise might not have access to,” Burke Vice President of Marketing, Communications & Development Richard Sgaglio said. “The Games also provide an inclusive and supportive environment where the spirit of comradery thrives. The Burke family is honored to have produced the Wheelchair Games for nearly four decades.”

Field and table tennis events will begin at 9 a.m., followed by the basketball free throw competition at 11 a.m. and ~~t~~Track events beginning at 1:30 p.m. Awards for morning events will be presented during lunch and track awards will be presented at the end of the day.



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Spectator admission is free and community members are encouraged to attend and cheer on the athletes. Carnival games, silent auctions and chance raffles for families will be available and area radio stations will broadcast live from the games throughout the day.

For more information about the 39th Annual Wheelchair Games, please call (914) 597-2850. Registration packet and volunteer forms [are](#) available at <https://www.burke.org/community/special-events-programs/wheelchair-games>. For questions about classification and/or athletic events please contact Ralph Armento, Meet Director, at ralph461@msn.com or (732) 266-2634. For sponsorship information, please call (914) 597-2847.

Burke Rehabilitation Hospital is a not-for-profit, acute rehabilitation hospital in White Plains, NY. Founded in 1915 through an endowment from philanthropist John Masterson Burke, it is the only hospital in Westchester County dedicated solely to adult rehabilitation medicine. As of 2016, the hospital is now a part of the Montefiore Health System, Inc. Burke offers both inpatient and outpatient programs for those who have experienced a disabling illness, traumatic injury or surgery. For additional information, please visit burke.org.

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