Island center tops in Special Olympics event

The Staten Island Developmental Center's entrants in the Special Olympics held yesterday at St. Bonaventure University in Olean, N.Y., are still number one and will return home with a number of victory medals.

The 43 participants from the Island center won 13 medals in swimming, 54 medals in track and field and a total of about 26 gold medals in all categories.

It is the second consecutive year the Island group returns from the New York State Special Olympics victorious. They are among 1,500 participants in the event from across the state. The team will travel to Rockport, N.Y. in August for the International Special Olympics competition.