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Coach: Dave Nowinski

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# SWIM BIZ



August 19, 2009

## Just a Reminder

Registration for 2009-2010 Swim Season begins August 24 at the YMCA. All returning swimmers **MUST** be registered before getting into the pool on Sept 8.

New Swimmer Free Trial Period begins 9/14/09 and goes through 9/25/09.

Look for the September Swim Calendar to be sent out through the Yahoo Mail in the next few days.

2009-2010 Swimmer group assignments have been sent out through Yahoo Mail

## Coach's Corner

Greetings to all! I hope you have had a wonderful summer! August finally decided to give us some decent weather so at least we can pretend that we had a summer. Time to start thinking about the start of the season. We are including the practice assignments for the upcoming year. We have tried to match each swimmer to the appropriate practice where they will be challenged but not overwhelmed. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact a coach. We do ask you not to change your practice assignment unless you have consulted with a coach.

On another note, if you know of anyone who you think might like to try the sport of swimming out, please let them know about the Marlins, we are always looking for fresh blood. We do have some turnover with our coaching staff this year. Coach Katie is leaving us and moving back to her home town near Kalamazoo where she will attend Western Michigan University – We will miss her greatly. Coach Kevin has decided his hectic schedule has to give somewhere so he will not be back with us this year. Again, we will miss Kevin very much. We are still putting the final touches on our staff and will let you know as soon as it is finalized.

Remember to keep an eye on the Macomb Daily on Wednesdays and Fridays as our high school girls swimmers will be starting their season very soon.

Take care and we will see you soon!



# President's Column

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I hope this first newsletter finds all of you happy and healthy. First of all I would like to welcome back our Board of Directors and thank them for their continued work throughout the summer. In addition, a special acknowledgement must be given to our National Team Fund Raising Committee and their fund raising efforts throughout the summer as well.

Marianne, my lovely wife, as some may know is no longer the Treasurer but will serve as a mentor to the new Treasurer, Derek Dexter. Another new volunteer we have this year is Karen Hearn who will serve as the Registration Chair. Welcome Derek and Karen. Marianne will also be mentoring others in the various other duties she has taken on over the years. Most of all, she will still be keeping an eye on me as President to ensure the boat stays steady, LOL. Thanks Marianne for all you do.

As like years past, I must begin the year in emphasizing how very proud and encouraged I am because of the volunteers that serve this team. They truly make my job easy and fun. If you are new to the swim team I will repeat here my philosophy; the more each of us helps, even just a little, the less we all have to do. This year, I want each and every one of you to commit time to help out. Here is why, you will have fun, you will be experiencing your child's' successes on deck with them not as a spectator, you will be meeting and mingling with what I believe is the greatest and most dedicated parents in the world, you will learn more about the sport, you will forget about work and the world and completely focus on the success of the team and your child.

So, are you ready for a great season? I know I am. We have a huge group of returning swimmers and have already received many phone calls for inquires about the team. Also remember, we are continuing our program where if you bring in a new swimmer to the team, you receive a \$50.00 cash rebate once the new swimmer is paid in full including their Marathon fundraising obligations.

Okay, that's my plug. Now it's your turn. Remember to volunteer when you can but most of all have a great season.

Until next time, take care, God Bless and enjoy a great swim season.

## from the treasurer

Our fundraisers from our 2008/2009 swim season were once again phenomenal and have allowed your swim dues to be the most affordable. As successful as all of our fundraisers were last season, unfortunately, we did have some pool rental fees go up again this year. We were able to keep the increase to a minimum - \$10.00 per swimmer.

Registration for the 2009/2010 swim season takes place at the YMCA beginning August 24, 2009. We will have board members available at the YMCA following our two week trial period to answer any questions regarding the Marlins and registration. Board members will be available Thursday, September 24 from 6:00 pm – 8:00 pm and Monday thru Thursday, September 28 – Oct 1 from 6:00 pm – 8:00 pm. Our goal is to also have Board members at all of the practices to answer any questions as well.

Our 2009/2010 Marlin dues are as follows:

**Freshman - \$395.00**  
**Sophomore - \$420.00**  
**Junior - \$505.00**  
**Senior - \$540.00**  
**High School Girls - \$355.00**  
**High School Boys - \$310.00**

Remember your child must also have a YMCA membership, whether it be a Youth/Teen membership or as part of a Family membership. All returning swimmers MUST be registered before getting into the pool on Sept 8.

On another note, I have made a very difficult decision. I am stepping down as Treasurer of the Marlins Swim Team. I have held a position on the

Marlin Board for eight years and have enjoyed the fun, laughter, and friendship of the entire board and team. However, there comes a time when you just can't "be there" like you used to and then you know it is time to step back and let the new person with the new ideas, step in. This is exactly what I am doing. We have split my old position into two positions. I am pleased to announce your new Marlin Treasurer will be Derek Dexter and Karen Hearn will be the registration chair.

Remember: EVERYONE SWIMS, EVERYONE WINS!

Marianne Ross



# Officials Needed

As our older team members are entering their last few years as Marlins, we look to our younger swimmers and their parents to help carry on our team. We are now looking for volunteers to sign up to become officials for our meets. Please think seriously of becoming a swim official. It is a great opportunity for parents to get involved. Not only will you get to be on deck to see your kids swim, it's also a chance to have a great time and to get to know other Marlin parents.

**If you are interested in becoming an official, please contact Dave Schoenegge at 586-243-5241.**



If you were a participating member in our Kroger Voucher program during our 2008/2009 swim season, you should have already received your voucher. You may notice your Kroger Voucher may not be as much as expected. Because Kroger changed their program along with their statement dates, we had to cut off the voucher amounts with the June statement rather than the August statement as in the past. We will not be getting another statement until around the end of September. All credit from purchases made after the June statement will be credited to your voucher for the 2010/2011 season.

Thanks for understanding!

If you have not taken advantage of the Kroger fundraiser and would like to, all you have to do is register your Kroger Plus account with the Marlin Swim Team organization. To do this you will need to go to:

[www.krogercommunityrewards.com](http://www.krogercommunityrewards.com)

Click on "Michigan" - and follow the instructions to sign up.

**The Macomb Marlins ID number is: 83022.**

Then you and the Marlins benefit every time your Kroger Plus card is scanned at the register. As in the past, with the Kroger Fundraiser, 50% of the money raised goes to the team, and 50% goes to YOU!! You can register your family and friend's Kroger Plus cards with Marlins too!!! If you have any questions regarding the Kroger Fundraising program, please contact Cindy Martin via email at [cswimtaxi@comcast.net](mailto:cswimtaxi@comcast.net)

# Help Wanted

We are in need of someone to take over concessions for our home meets. Kathleen Gray was recently accepted into the PHD program at Oakland University. Due to her classes being on Saturday's for the next three years, she will no longer be able to commit herself as the concession chairperson. However, she will help out in whatever capacity she can. If you would be willing to take on concessions, by yourself or co-chair it with someone else, please call Kathleen Gray at 412-0799 or any Board Member listed on the front page of the newsletter. Remember, our swimmers like to eat – a lot! Thank you Kathleen for your many years of taking on concessions- you did a great job!!! Congratulations for being accepted into the PHD program and Best of Luck in your studies!



# INCENTIVE

If you are an existing swimmer family that brings another swimming family to the team, you will receive a \$50.00 cash rebate once the new swimmer is paid in full including their Marathon fundraising obligations. If you bring in two families, you get \$100.00 and so on, no limit. Once the new family's dues are paid in full, you receive the gift.

The \$50.00 gift is for each swimming family brought to the Marlins, not each swimmer. So if you bring in three families that have a total of 5 swimmers, you receive \$150.00.

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