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## UPCOMING EVENTS:

- Our Halloween Party & Swim-a-Thon kickoff is tomorrow at Park! Thanks to all the parents who signed up to bring treats and drinks. The event begins at 5:30 p.m. and finishes up at 8:00 p.m.
- Next Board Meeting is November 11 at 6:00 p.m. - Case High School. All welcome!
- Spiritware orders are due November 4th.

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# Serpent Times



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## Neil's Kickboard

We are hosting our Fall Starter this Sunday and please don't forget Daylight Saving Time ends 2:00 a.m. this Sunday. Adjust your clocks prior to hitting the sack Saturday night.

Tryouts were held Monday this week and another ten students are enjoying their free week of swimming with us. Please welcome them and their parents if you happen to bump into them. Registration will take place Thursday, November 14 at Case for those families interested in becoming a member of one of Racine's hidden gems.

I have interviewed four coaches and I'm in the process of hiring two of them - USA Swimming has stringent guidelines in terms of hiring new staff members and bringing them on board to work with our student-athletes. As soon as all the requirements have been met, Alyssa Gustin and Shannon Sanders will be slotted into the age-group pool to assist our current coaching staff in developing the future of our team. More information coming soon!

2013-2014 team t-shirts are now availa-

ble for ordering. I have linked the order form under the NEWS section of our website. Deadline to place an order is November 18. The t-shirts are the same brand and material our DRIV3N t-shirts were printed on. Please submit



**This Friday is our Annual Swim-a-Thon Halloween Party. Swim-a-Thon packets will be handed out (awesome prizes this year) and fun will be had by all. - you don't want to miss the glow stick swim!**

your order forms and payment to me at your leisure.

I have placed an order for additional team swim caps. They should be here soon - unfortunately I doubt they will

arrive prior to our meet this weekend. If you don't have a team cap and need to wear a swim cap, it's your choice this weekend. Thanks for your patience.

It's important to visit the Meet Information page of the website for the most up-to-date information in regards to meet information, entry deadlines, meet entry postings, entry fee postings and final results too. As you email me to sign-up your student-athlete for meets, I will respond to your request with an "All set!" email. Please make sure you discount double check my work in terms of entries by viewing the files as I update them to the website.

Missy Reischl has pulled together a ton of neat items for our membership to purchase if so inclined. View all the merchandise on the Team Apparel page of the website. Orders are due to Missy by November 4.

Please call or email me if you ever have any questions or concerns. 262.898.4766 and south.eastern.aquatics@gmail.com.

## 4th Annual Fall Starter Information

We will host our first meet of the season this Sunday! Don't forget it's Daylight Savings this weekend - set your clocks back one hour before hitting the sack Saturday night.

AM warm-ups (10&U and 11-12 swimmers) will begin at 7:50 a.m., meet begins at 9:05 a.m. and will finish up at 11:45 a.m.

PM warm-ups (8&U, 13-14 and Senior

swimmers) will begin at 11:40 a.m., meet begins at 12:45 p.m. and is scheduled to finish at 3:00 p.m.

Directions, meet information, entries and fees are posted on the website under the Member dropdown menu (click on Meet Information).

If you have not done so, please establish a Meet Escrow Account - visit the Meet Escrow Account page of the

website to find out how.

For those new to the team, we have a pretty good reputation for running quality meets within the WI LSC. We will continue the tradition this weekend! Please be on time for your worker spots - your timely arrival helps our meet directors fill all the worker spots with easy effort. Thanks in advance. :)

Drive safe, swim fast and have fun!

# Green Bay Team Travel Meet = FUN



Will you be racing in Green Bay in 2014? The Titledown Freeze is a great way to bond with your teammates!

*In regards to our vision of building our own training facility, the YMCA Board of Directors kicked off their Strategic Planning meetings last May (the meetings will conclude at the end October). The Board will discuss the future plans for the Sealed Air Y and a handful of other projects. We will anxiously await their findings.*

We will be attending the Titledown Freeze meet again this January 17-19. We had a great time last year and this year looks to be even better. Why? Read on.

This year, we will be staying at the Tundra Lodge - Resort and Waterpark. 25 rooms (with two queen beds + pullout sleeper sofa) have been reserved under South Eastern Aquatics at the rate of \$99 + tax (this rate includes 5 water passes to the park for the duration of our stay). Please call 877.886.3725 to reserve your room by January 2, 2014 (after which time, any remaining rooms will be released). The

address of the Tundra Lodge is 865 Lombardi Avenue, Green Bay, WI 54304 and is only 2.79 miles from the Downtown Green Bay YMCA.

The hotel offers a full service restaurant on-site with a breakfast buffet available for \$10.95 (of course you can always pack your own food and drinks - I think this is the only draw back between where we stayed last year and this - last year we had free breakfast).

If you have never been on a team travel meet and are thinking about attending, don't hesitate. Team travel meets are a ton of fun and although we may not swim that

great come Sunday (I think running around the waterpark Friday and Saturday may have something to do with that), the memories made will last a lifetime.

Some of the highlights from last year included, Friday night team dinner at Lambeau Field, excellent swimming (although we were a little tired come Sunday), and a team pizza party Saturday night (the best barbeque chicken pizza ever) that included swimmers playing in the pool/hot-tub/game room and the parents enjoying good company, music and even a little dancing on chairs. Don't miss out!

## SCRIP - The Easiest Way to Fundraise

Here are the current order by/delivery on dates for SCRIP: order by October 28, delivery on November 1; order by November 4, delivery on November 7; order by November 19, delivery on November 21; order by December 2, delivery on December 5; and order by December 16, delivery on December 19. Deadline to order is 8 AM. All deliveries will be in the balcony from 5:30 p.m to 6:00 p.m. Individual arrangements can also be made.

Your order can be placed at

[www.shopwithscrip.com](http://www.shopwithscrip.com) by using the SEA enrollment code of 173DF3A917711 and registering for PrestoPay a minimum of two days before placing your first order. DO NOT place your first order until the PrestoPay registration process is complete. PrestoPay is safe, simple and the only payment method accepted by SEA. Happy Shopping!

### SCRIP Quick Facts

- 1) [www.shopwithscrip.com](http://www.shopwithscrip.com)
- 2) SEA enrollment code =

173DF3A917711

- 3) Payment method = PrestoPay
- 4) Deliveries are scheduled 1-2 times per month during practice. Other options include ScripNow (print at home) and Re-load

Questions? Please contact Brenda Rose at [brose7@wi.rr.com](mailto:brose7@wi.rr.com) or Kim Wergin at [kimwergin@aol.com](mailto:kimwergin@aol.com). Thanks!

Aging up, it happens to everyone.



## September & October Birthdays

Taej D.  
Emily D.  
Nataile D.  
David D.  
Maya F.  
Jordan H.  
Haley K.  
Hannah K.  
Ella P.

Claire W.  
Quinn W.  
Neil W.  
Elleah Z.  
Hannah C.  
Maggie D.  
Elizabeth S.  
Maritxell CA.  
Rohan G.

Caitlin M.  
Samyukta M.  
Kayla R.  
Olivia S.  
Nathan S.  
Anne W.  
Claire H.

# Fundraising Update - It's really easy to do.



**It's easy to meet your \$150 fundraising requirement!**

Elegant Farmer Pie orders are due Sunday morning (Nov. 3). Please make sure forms are filled out neatly and are accompanied with full payment. Rebecca Schraff is collecting forms. If you don't see her, please drop off your form/payment with a coach. Pie delivery is Wednesday, November 13 at Case.

Rebecca still has candy bars you can order too. If you would like to sell candy bars email her at rebecca-schraff@yahoo.com.

We will host our 2nd Annual Uncorkt Fundraiser on Friday, March 28, 2014. More information about this awesome event will be out soon. If you are interested in helping behind the scenes, please contact Rebecca!

Jen Trask has updated the General Information page under the

fundraising tab on the website. There's some good news there to read ... go take a look!

SCRIP is an easy way to fundraise and really costs nothing. Read more about this program on page two of this newsletter.

Finally, our Swim-a-Thon will take place in January of 2014. Information is already available online, but the kickoff will take place this Friday night at Park. We hope to SEA you there!

## Team record set at Oconomowoc last Sunday

Ivar Iversen slipped past his previous 15-16 1Ba team record by the slimmest of margins last weekend in Oconomowoc. His time of 54.29 trimmed .01 off his record set during YMCA State this past March.

As a team we finished with a very healthy best time percentage of 65.

Posting some of the quickest

times in our history included Hugo Arteaga (8th 1Fr), Nick Galis (10th 500Fr), and Ivar Iversen (6th 2IM, 7th 1Bf).

Notching 100% best times were Nick Galis, Hannah Kehl, Austin Lentz, and Tiffany Steffes.

Dropping five or more seconds in a single event included Josh Abel (-8.37 1Fr), Hugo Arteaga (-15.77 1Fr), Isabelle Buhler (-7.6 2IM),

Rachel Christensen (-11.44 2Fr), Maya Frodl (-46.56 500Fr), Nick Galis (-10.28 500Fr), Carter Johnson (-28.11 50Fr), Hannah Kehl (-65.71 500Fr), Austin Lentz (-8.7 2Fr), and Ali Scharff (-8.36 500Fr).

A big shout out to Claire Holewinski on her first "real" meet experience with us. Great job everybody!



## Annual Swim-a-Thon Kickoff & Halloween Party Planned

Our annual Swim-a-Thon Kickoff & Halloween Party will take place Friday evening, November 1 at Park High School and is open to all swimmers (includes Pups).

The fun begins at 5:30 p.m. with a team meeting explaining this year's Swim-a-Thon (this meeting is for swimmers and parents).

After the meeting, the coaching staff

will lead all swimmers in a warm-up/small practice. When the athletes are completely warmed up, coaches will divide the swimmers into six groups and conduct t-shirt relays, balloon relays and other fun relays.

Finally, at the secret hour, the lights will be turned off and 250 12 inch glow sticks will be distributed to all the student-athletes and a glow stick swim will happen - really, the high-

light of the evening.

Parents are asked to donate drinks, treats, and paper products. If you are able to help, please reach out to Neil so he can keep a list of what will be donated. Last year's event was a hoot, don't miss out!



**Remember the dark pool with hundreds of glow sticks? It's back with 250 12 inch glow sticks. Hope to SEA you there!**



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**Parent Motto:**

**Love, Support, Transport.**

**SEA's Mission:**

**To empower the youth of Southeastern Wisconsin to be champions in life through excellence in swimming.**

**SEA's Vision:**

**As a swim team without a true home, it's SEA's vision to one day to build a pool to call home.**

**Established in 1984, we are set to celebrate our 30th anniversary next year!**



## On the Starting Blocks

**November 2013**

1, Halloween Party & Swim-a-Thon Kick-off

3, 4th Annual SEA Fall Starter

8, SEA vs. NBSC

11, Parent Board Meeting, 6:00 p.m. at Case, all welcome!

15-17, PX3 Invite

17, SSTY Fall Invite

28-29, No practice (Thanksgiving)

**December 2013**

6-8, Nike Challenge

9, Parent Board Meeting, 6:00 p.m. at Case, all welcome!

13, Sprint Time Trials 2.0

14-15, Y-Finalist

24-25, No practice (Christmas)

31, No practice

**January 2014**

1, No practice (Happy New Year)

3, Distance Time Trials

11-12, SEA Oddball Challenge

13, Parent Board Meeting, 6:00 p.m. at Case, all welcome!

17-19, Titledown Freeze

23, Swim-a-Thon

25, SEA vs. LGSC

28, Swim-a-Thon pledges due

30, Swim-a-Thon prizes handed out

31-2, SSTY A+

**February 2014**

2, 6th Annual SEA Groundhog Grand Prix

7, SEA vs. OZ

15-16, NBSC Open

21-23, Regional Championships

28-2, I2&U State

**March 2014**

4, Team Picture

6-9, I3&O State

15-16, YMCA Sectionals

21, End of SEASON Time Trials

21-23, YMCA State

28, Wine Tasting, Silent Auction, Raffle

**April 2014**

1-4, YMCA Nationals



**Take a look at the months ahead  
and stay up-to-date.**