

# Lake Saint Louis Sea Lions Swim Team

January 2008

Dear Swimmers and Parents,

Welcome to all returning swim families! This newsletter is to bring you up to speed on our preparations for the upcoming summer swim program for our Lake Saint Louis Sea Lions and to give you an opportunity to pre-register for the team. While it hardly seems possible, swim season will be here before you know it!

The swim board and coaching staff are excited about our upcoming season. The Board of Directors for the 2008 Swim Board are as follows: Pearson Buell (LSL League Rep), Sheri Smith (Secretary), Michelle Coogan (Treasurer), Patty Blakely (Concessions Coordinator), Kara Flynn (Volunteer Co-Coordinator), Darla Young (8 & U and 6 & U Relay Coordinator), Keith Jack (Board Member-At-Large), Tammie Schneider (Board Member-At-Large) and Lee Sutherlin (LSL Swim Board Chair). All of the board members are open to hearing your suggestions for making our 2008 swim season fun and enjoyable for our children. The Swim Board gathers monthly. Look for meeting dates, location and times on our website and feel free to join us for a meeting to share your ideas. Finally, for complete information about the team visit our website. Posted at the site you will find (as the information becomes available): 1) the meet schedule, 2) practice schedules, 3) meet directions, 4) access to the Swim Board through email, 5) top times for our swimmers, 6) swim lesson information, 7) sign up forms, 8) volunteer schedules, and 9) a gallery of swim team photos. Go check it out at - [www.lslswimteam.com](http://www.lslswimteam.com) – way cool!

**Coaching 2008** - Returning this year as a part of our coaching staff will be Head Coach Deb Knowlton and Co-Assistant Coach Kathy Cumbie. We are in the process of hiring additional Co - Assistant Coaches to work with Coach Deb & Kathy during our day, night, & Saturday practices.

**2008 Swim Fees** - The per swimmer team fee has not increased and will remain **\$65.00 per child**. Forth child in the same family is free. **NOTE:** All registrations must be received by **Friday, May 9<sup>th</sup>** to avoid a **\$15.00 late fee charge**. Registration will be **closed as of May 23<sup>rd</sup>**; however, space is limited to a 200 total team roster so you are encouraged to register well before the deadline. Last year we COMPLETELY filled the team to 200 and held a number of swimmers on a wait list. Due to the popularity of our swim program, we have limited our team to Lake Saint Louis residents only. We will continue to grandfather SeaLions swimmers from past years.

**Volunteer Duties:** As always our team could not run smoothly without the fabulous parent volunteers to work at the swim meets – thank you! In addition to your team fees, each family will need to send a **second check for \$80.00** that will be held in escrow during the season and returned at the end of the season as long as your volunteer assignments have been met.

Finally as a reminder, the Community Association REQUIRES that all swimmers have a “swim pass” in order to be on the LSL Swim Team with access to the CA Pool. For Community Association Members, you should purchase your passes directly from the Community Association office prior to the start of the season. **If you live in LSL but are a Non-Community Association Member, you will need to be “sponsored” by the LSL Swim Team and the Season Guest Pass charge is \$91.23 per individual.** Non-CA Members need to send in THREE checks with their registration form – 1) for team fees & extra t-shirt purchases – made out to LSL Swim Team; 2) volunteer deposit – made out to LSL Swim Team; and 3) Guest Pass Fee(s) – made out to LSL Community Association. If you need additional copies of the registration forms, they can be downloaded and printed from our website.

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**Swim Team Sign-Up** - Again this year we have two methods of signing up – in person at the scheduled registration times at the CA or via mail. We will hold public sign ups at the Community Association. The sign ups will be held from **3 – 5pm** on **Sunday, March 16<sup>th</sup>**; **Sunday, April 6<sup>th</sup>**; and **Sunday, April 20<sup>th</sup>**. Swim parent volunteer duties will be assigned on a first come/first serve basis so get your registration form sent in via mail before March 16<sup>th</sup> to receive first dibs on the prime volunteer slots! Mail your completed **registration form, volunteer form, and 2 checks** (registration and volunteer deposit – for CA Members) or **3 checks** (registration, volunteer deposit, and guest pass fee – for Non-CA Members) to:

Lee Sutherlin – 41 Moorings Drive – Lake Saint Louis – MO – 63367.

*Beat the crowds, register early by mail!* We are looking forward to continuing our winning tradition with the 2008 Swim Season! Come Join Us!

## Mark Your Calendars

**Swim Team Sign Up Dates 3 – 5pm**  
**@ Community Association Lobby**

**2007 Swimmer Coach Interviews @ CA 4–6pm**  
**Last Date to Sign Up to Avoid Late Fee**  
**Swim Registration Date Closes**  
**Pre Season Parent Meeting @ CA 7pm**

**Sunday, March 16<sup>th</sup>**  
**Sunday, April 6<sup>th</sup>**  
**Sunday, April 20<sup>th</sup>**  
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**Friday, May 9<sup>th</sup>**  
**Friday, May 23<sup>rd</sup>**  
**Monday, May 19<sup>th</sup>**

**See You At The Pool!**  
**The Lake Saint Louis Swim Team**  
**Board of Directors**