

# ***ALLIGATOR BLAST!***

*Newsletter for the Alligator Swim Team*

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- September 11<sup>th</sup> : Season starts for Blue, Black and Xtreme
- September 17<sup>th</sup> : Season starts for Silver, Green and Gold.
- September 26<sup>th</sup> : Parent meeting St. Viator 6:30pm. Important to attend. Every member of this team plays an important role. Staying informed is vital! Please make every effort to attend this meeting.
- Magazine Drive Starts Sept. 11<sup>th</sup> and ends Oct. 5<sup>th</sup>.
  - Information will be in your box on deck and on the web.
- 1<sup>st</sup> page of meet schedule sign-up sheet needs to be returned by Sept. 26<sup>th</sup>
- Inner-squad meet on October 5<sup>th</sup> at St. Viator
  - Fun for the entire team and a chance for parents and swimmers to learn how a basic meet runs.
- Team Photos October 8<sup>th</sup> in St. Viator gym. Time: TBA – (will be in the evening).
  - Information will be in your box on deck and on the web.
- Yankee Candle Sale starts Oct. 10<sup>th</sup> and ends Oct. 26<sup>th</sup>.
  - Information will be in your box on deck and on the web.
- First Meet Oct. 20- 21 Glenbrook HS. Wear your team colors!

## ***Summer Close-Out notes***

Great swims by Awesome Alligators!

- Best Times were achieved by 90% of all swimmers throughout the summer!
- Senior Championships: Alligators were 9<sup>th</sup> out of 89 teams in Illinois. We had 75% best times!
- Age Group State: We traveled to Quincy, IL to swim in very hot conditions. Our 7 qualifiers walked away with 50% best times, a great experience, and the knowledge they represented our team to the best of their ability!
- Sectionals: Up in Minnesota we had an 80% improvement on times and everyone worked as a team! This meet is the starting level of National swimming. They represented the Alligators wonderfully!
- Nationals: Sam Wilcher swam solidly at the Senior National meet. The highlights, however, were at Jr. Nationals. Sam won both the 100 and 200 Fly and set a meet record in the 100. He is off to Purdue once again, but he has left his mark as an Alligator!
- Best of luck to all our college swimmers! Stay in touch and drop by when you are in town!