

## 2007 Outstanding Service Award Nomination

An organizational guru with a willingness to help the population of Wisconsin Swimming, Inc. in many different capacities best describes Dave Clark's contributions to USA Swimming and the WI LSC over the past fifteen years.

Since 1992, Dave has served as a volunteer coach with the Shorewood Swim Club and the Milwaukee Piranha's swim team. Dave has also served on the Board of Directors for both swim teams (SHOR from 1993 to 1998 and Piranha's from 1992 to 2005).

Beginning in 1995 and continuing today, Dave has been designated Shorewood Swim Club's Travel Coordinator.

Dave has also volunteered as a coach for EBSC, NBSC, and NSSC teams at various times when his help was needed.

Beyond his volunteer coaching, Dave has served as the WI LSC Central Zone Manager from 1991 to 1998 and from 2005 to present. 2008 brings the second installment of the Central Zone "Mega" meet and Dave has been appointed to the Meet Committee for this event.

Other odds and ends include helping conduct and setup two Swimposiums for the WI LSC, assisting with WI LSC sponsored Memorial Day Swim Camps from 1992 to 1998 and again this year, and Dave has served on the WI LSC Board of Directors from 1993 to 1998.

One of the most important roles Dave has played within the WI LSC has been that of NCAA recruiting and rules educator for local swim clubs within the LSC. During these events, Dave meets with swimmers, parents and coaches of local clubs and walks them through the NCAA recruiting process, what to expect during recruitment and answers any questions swimmers, parents and coaches may have. In the past, Dave has worked with EBSC, SHOR, NSSC, NBSC, LAKE, SEAY, and KB swim teams and is always available via email or phone to help clubs with their college recruiting and rules questions.

Outside of the WI LSC, Dave is the liaison between college swim coaches and the Horizon League and has served on the NCAA Swimming and Diving Committee since 2003.

Dave is the perfect example of what it means to be a volunteer for the WI LSC. He has used his talents to facilitate a positive moment within the WI LSC and serves without a "what's in it for me" attitude. In a day in age where parent volunteers are becoming more difficult to find, it goes without saying that many clubs wished they had a couple dozen of Dave Clarks on their teams to help tow the line. Please consider Dave for this year's Outstanding Service Award as he has demonstrated and continues to demonstrate the qualities that embody the merits of this award.