

On the Dry Side: News from the Secretary's Desk January 2023

Greetings, 757swiml

Meet reports are <u>online</u> for November and December meets. <u>Travel information</u> is also available for Championship meets. Hotel blocks for Regionals and Senior Champs in Richmond are only open for a few weeks (end of January/first of February), so if you plan to book, you need to jump on it!

I would like to express appreciation to our Grand Illumination meet volunteers. Meets cannot happen without volunteers. Some volunteers went above and beyond and deserve special recognition. Cassandra Lamerdin and Joe Dobrota worked in advance of the meet tirelessly behind the scenes. Thank you to our Drydeck officials, Cassandra, Joe, Jose Aponte, and David Fly, who kept the Grand Illumination Invitational running, almost never leaving the pool deck to ensure the scoring worked seamlessly with the Hampton Aquatic Center's new system. Thank you to Amy Aponte who was our emcee for all 3 days!

Our Splash & Dash Meet is coming up, January 14th to 16th. We are looking forward to hosting five other teams. Stay tuned for meet information and volunteer sign-ups as this is a big meet.

January is dedicated to our value Integrity. I challenge us as swim parents to demonstrate and encourage our swimmers to be good hosts and sportsmen at our Splash & Dash Meet. *Be respectful, responsible, and ready.*

"I am not bound to win, but I am bound to be true. I am not bound to succeed, but I am bound to live up to what light I have." – Abraham Lincoln

-Evie Burnet, Secretary

Heater Installation

The pool will be closed this Friday, January 7th, for the final gluing of valves for our new pool heater. We are down to a few more weeks until the new heater for both the lesson pool and competition pool is up and running. We are excited!



USA Swimming Registration

For those currently registered with a Flex USA Swimming membership, please remember that once your child swims in 3 meets **OR** a championship meet (such as 8 & under Champs at our pool in February), your swimmer must be upgraded to the Premium membership prior to the 3rd or championship meet.

<u>Swim Lessons</u>

Our latest session of swim lessons is underway, and will run January 3rd to February 25th. They filled up quickly. If you are looking for lessons this spring, please look for signs and social media posts in the middle of February, as lessons will fill fast.

<u>Spaghettí Dínner</u>

Giuseppe's Restaurant has generously donated *ALL* proceeds from the spaghetti dinner to be held January 22, 3 to 5 pm. The format will be grab and go from the 757 pool deck, so no eating on deck. A few key items:

- \$18 per meal
- Each order includes: pasta (regular or gluten free), sauce (meat, marinara, or garlic butter), salad, bread, and brownie.
- Orders must be placed in advance <u>online</u>. The sign up for orders *will end January 18th*. You will *NOT* be able to order after this date.
- While orders are due January 18th, you may opt to pay then or January 22nd.

<u>LíveBarn</u>

Swim meets at our pool will be broadcast through <u>LiveBarn</u> rather than YouTube. Please check out their website for more information.





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Facebook Swap and Swag

Be sure to like the 757swim Shop and Swap page on Facebook. This is a great resource to buy/sell/giveaway gently used swim gear.

Papa John's Dollars for Dough

The next time you place an order with Papa John's Pizza apply promo code 757swim and 10% of your order will be donated back to our club!

<u>Mega Auto Spa</u>

Visit our sponsors at Mega Auto Spa and enter fundraiser code 9043 and a portion of your wash will be donated back to 757swim!

Photos & Fun - Social Medía and Smugmug

Be sure to follow us on social media for fun updates and photos, and share our posts for others to learn about the team! You can find us on Facebook (757swim), Twitter (@ 757_swim), and Instagram (757swim_va).

Upcoming Dates

- 757swim Splash and Dash Meet, 1/14 to 1/16 at 757swim pool
- Spirit Night at Olde Towne Pizza, 1/19 4:00 to 8:00 pm
- Spaghetti dinner fundraiser courtesy of Giuseppe's, 1/23 3:00 to 5:00 pm



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