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**ADMINISTRATIVE VICE-CHAIR REPORT**

**Kent Nelson**

**INVESTMENTS**

6/30/07 Asset Mix of Long Term Money  
\$433,731

Bonds =	\$158,641	=	36.50%
Benchmark:	45%		max 70%
Stocks =	\$275,090	=	63.50%
Benchmark:	55%		max 65%
Large Growth =	\$73,648	=	26.7% of stocks
	30-33%		
Large Value =	\$83,293	=	30.2% of stocks
	30-33%		
Mid/Small	\$69,454	=	25.3% of stocks
	25%		
International =	\$48,695	=	17.8% of stocks
	10-15%		

The investment committee will be working with the BOD to evaluate our current strategy and lay the groundwork for the coming years.

**Awards Committee**

Congratulations to the following award winners over the past year:

- 2007 Outstanding Male Athlete – Spencer Osborne (SSC)
- 2007 Outstanding Female Athlete – Talor Whitaker (DUNE)
- 2007 SC Senior – Kevin Kinel (DUNE)
- 2007 LC Senior – Andy Pedersen (SSC)
- 2007 AG Coach – Dennis Davis (CGAC)

We will be announcing the more 2007 recipients at the October 6 meeting!

- 2007 Barton – Outstanding Volunteer
- 2007 Hartzler – Outstanding Contribution overcoming obstacles
- 2007 Marquess – Outstanding Official
- 2007 Clark – Outstanding Coach
- 2007 ConocoPhillips 66 Outstanding Service

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**AGE GROUP VICE-CHAIR REPORT**

**Brad Smith**

The last year has been very progressive for Age Group Swimming in Indiana. Indiana age group swimmers have increased their performance levels as we have had a national age group record and increased number of athletes making higher cuts. Likewise, Indiana Swimming has taken steps forward in meeting the needs of our age group swimmers. One of the most important attributes has been the development of the Indiana Age Group mission statement and philosophy that was constructed to drive our programming. With this foundation in place, programs have been implemented and are being developed to address the needs of our athletes at each step of their climb of swimming success.

This past year has been a very busy, yet exciting one for me as Age Group Chair. In addition to developing the mission statement and philosophies of age group programming, my time and energy has been focused on several issues including: camps (continue to flourish as our numbers continue to grow and we are able to meet the needs of more swimmers as we added the Open Water Camp), Divisional Championships, being a member of the LOC for both Nationals & Junior Nationals, and leading the Age Group Committee.

The Age Group Committee has been looking at ways for Indiana Swimming to tackle the major issues of retention, IMX, parent and coach education, meet fees, alternative meet formats, and ways of keeping the sport fun.

A huge thank you to our office staff for what they do on a daily basis that makes my job much easier. Lynn's work with the SWIMS database (plus much more) is very helpful when research is needed. Tony's passion truly aids our athletes, as he usually is the force behind many of our programs. Thank you both for what you do for our athletes!

**SENIOR VICE CHAIR**

**Chad Englehart**

Congratulations to:

- the 2007 State Meet Champions: Winter Age Group- Carmel Swim Club, Winter Senior- Indiana University, Summer Age Group- Carmel Swim Club, Summer Senior- IU Club Paradise, Open Water- SWAC Swim Team
- all of Indiana Swimming's 28 current Olympic Trials qualifiers. Best of luck to all of you next summer.
- Michelle McKeehan and Coach Jim Todd on your Pan Am Gold. Thank you so much for your tremendous representation of Indiana Swimming.
- all of our Indiana Swimmers who swam so well and represented themselves, their clubs and the State of Indiana at the US Open, Spring Nationals, Jr. Champs and Nationals this past year. Indiana had some tremendous performances.
- the Indiana Swimming Board of Directors on the creation of Age Group and Senior swimming mission statements and coaching committees charged with creating vision and programming to achieve those missions. Leadership is crucial and the Board is stepping up to the challenge.

Projects (finished, current and dreamt):

- Athlete and coach national travel fund- secured increased funds and expanded the pool of athletes receiving funds. This project is still being worked on, but the goal of elite athlete support is still clearly in focus.
- Senior Swimming Mission and Steering Committee creation- the mission statement was completed this summer and the committee is meeting formally for the first time October 5. Indiana Senior Swimming's Mission Statement: **"provide educational and competitive opportunities that will inspire, challenge, and support our swimmers, clubs and coaches in their efforts to be successful at the highest levels of competition."**
- Indiana Swimming Camps- currently working on potential expansion of the current Indiana camp programming. Special Thank You to Tony Young for his leadership and hundreds of hours of hard work with all the Indiana camps projects.
- Helped to update the State Meet site selection process for summer of 2008 and beyond, hopefully increasing the opportunities for clubs to receive usable and subjective feedback from Indiana Swimming.

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- 98 ➤ Helped to update the Team Indiana coaching staff selection process, increasing the emphasis on education and  
99 high level experiences.  
100 ➤ Worked on the expansion of the summer Senior State meet (pending legislation). This is meant to help our  
101 senior athletes move closer to the National level format and increase their likelihood of elite level performances.  
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103 **Coaches Representative Report**  
104 **Will Bernhardt II**  
105 **HOD 2007**  
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107 Thank you to Indiana Swimming, Hamilton Southeastern Swim Club, and Carmel Swim Club for hosting the 2007 LC  
108 Nationals and Junior Championships, respectively. The meets were a tremendous success and all should be proud of  
109 the way that the meets were run. I would like to thank all volunteers, meet officials, and administrators for their hard  
110 work and dedication.  
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112 Congratulations are also due to Jim Todd of Center Grove Swim Club for being voted 2007 LC Coach of the Season! I  
113 would also like to congratulate Denny Davis of Center Grove Swim Club for being voted 2006-07 Age Group Coach of  
114 the Year! Congratulations to both coaches and to Center Grove for sweeping this year's awards.  
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116 We have several projects that are currently being worked on. Any coach that wishes to help or has a special  
117 interesting any project please let me know and we can place you on the committee.  
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119 We are currently working on preserving the memory and tradition of IN Swimming as a whole. This project is very large  
120 and cumbersome. It is our intent that we establish a Age Group Hall of Fame and place swimmers, coaches, and  
121 volunteers into this HOF every year. We are working on a system and certain requirements for entrance into the  
122 AGHOF. This is a very great project that will help establish the history and tradition that this great State has to offer. If  
123 you are interested in helping with this project please let me know.  
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125 We are also working at establishing and promoting the Indiana Swimming Coaches Association. The Coaches  
126 Association (ISCA) is a program that all Indiana coaches can benefit and help maintain. The ISCA will provide  
127 opportunities for coaches to increase education through the sharing of ideas and also help steer IN Swimming in a way  
128 that is beneficial for the coaches and representative of the coaches. When the new IN Swimming website is launched  
129 we will have our own page on the website. This will be were all materials about the ISCA will be located. I would like to  
130 formally establish a board of directors before Jan. 1, 2008. If you are interested in serving on the ISCA board or would  
131 like to help in any way please contact me.  
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133 If you have any questions or would like to discuss any concerns or issues before the HOD please reach me by phone  
134 or email. 574-993-7946/ CoachWill05@gmail.com Thank you very much for you time and I look forward to seeing you  
135 all soon at the HOD meeting.  
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139 **Adapted Chair Report**  
140 **Joey Black**

141 The past year has been an outstanding year for all of our swimmers. Carly Robinson participated in many  
142 International events as a deaf athlete. Congrats to Carly and her coach Brian Hindson. Also, congrats to all of our  
143 athletes and coaches that participated in our State and Zone meets! If you have any questions about getting your  
144 swimmers involved please contact me at [fishyjo@aol.com](mailto:fishyjo@aol.com).  
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147 **Past General Chair's Report**  
148 **Arlene McDonal**  
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150 **2007 ConocoPhillips National Championships & Speedo Junior National Championships**

151 Many, many thanks to the following board members for their participation as coordinators for these two meets: Lucy  
152 Duncan, Scott Ingram, Brad Smith, Emily Kowalski, Lynn Kinstler, Tony Young, and Kent Nelson. A special thank you  
153 to Southeastern Swim Club and Meet Coordinators Tina Mudd & Alice O'Connor and to Carmel Swim Club and their  
154 Meet Coordinators Barb Marshall & Amy Patridge for being such wonderful club co-hosts. Also, kudos to the IU

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Natatorium staff for being such fantastic partners for these events. Julie McKenney and Arlene McDonald are working on the final meet reports which should be completed in October.

Also, thank you to the following teams for supporting the events by purchasing sponsor packages: Lawrence Swim Team (Silver Sponsor), SWAC – South West Allen County (Bronze Sponsor), and Carmel Swim Club (Friends). The following teams supported the events by becoming Team Sponsors and/or Clubs for the Day: Sugar Creek Aquatic Club, Lawrence Swim Team, Irish Aquatics, Yorktown Swim Club, Donner Swim Club, Indy Dolphins, and Center Grove Aquatic Club.

Lastly, congrats to all the Indiana Swimming officials and members who stepped up to volunteer at Nationals and Juniors! These events were successful because of the true teamwork demonstrated by our LSC. Thank you!!

### **2007 10K Open Water Grand Prix**

Approximately 60 athletes participated in this inaugural open water Grand Prix on Sunday, August 5, at Eagle Creek Reservoir. Special kudos to current ISI Open Water Chair Charlie Fry and former ISI Open Water Chair Ed Merklung as well as to these other ISI BOD members who really stepped up to contribute to the success of this meet: Mark Hesse, Chad Englehart, Kent Nelson, Hal Paul, Sam Robertson, Brad Smith, Emily Kowalski, Joey Black, Mark Van Allen, and Tony Young. Thanks also to ISI staff member Michele DeLuna who was the registration chair for the 10K. Many thanks to WTSC for providing numerous volunteers and to all the other ISI members who volunteered their time at Eagle Creek. Great job!

### **2008 Central Zone MegaZone: August 6-10**

Planning continues on this event. An LOC will be organized later this fall. This event is a collaborative effort among local aquatics organizations with 100% of the profits dedicated to the renovation fund for the IU Natatorium. Any Indiana Swimming member who is interested in serving as a chair on the Local Organizing Committee should contact Arlene McDonald ([arlenemcd@aol.com](mailto:arlenemcd@aol.com)) by October 15.

**Elections:** Positions up for election at the October HOD are: Finance Vice-Chair, Senior Vice Chair, Junior Athlete Rep, At-Large Athlete Rep, Board of Review Members, and these Regional Representatives: Region 1 Non-Coach; Region 2 Coach; Region 3 Non-Coach; Region 4 Coach & Non-Coach. Please send names of qualified candidates to Arlene McDonald ([arlenemcd@aol.com](mailto:arlenemcd@aol.com)) preferably prior to the HOD meeting or be prepared to nominate qualified candidates at the HOD.

### **OPEN WATER COORDINATOR**

**Charlie Fry**

**DATE OF CAMP:** June 15-16, 2007

Indiana Swimming was the first LSC to run an Open Water Camp for its athletes. Many other LSC's are using our format to conduct their own camp of the same magnitude. We had 38 swimmers and 5 coaches from all over the state attend the camp. The objectives of the camp was to teach and have the swimmers learn more about Open Water Swimming, seeing it is now an Olympic event. The camp was one day and ended with the Huntington Mile Open Water Race. All of the swimmers competed in the race for there Age Group and some even did the 5K. We were fortunate to have 3 swimmers from Indiana qualify from the 5K to go on and participate in the 10K Grand Prix.

**Techniques Taught:**

- Drafting
- Pack Swimming
- Sighting
- Turns
- Feeding

**Guest Speaker:**

- Rick Walker-Head Coach Southern Illinois University, National Team Coach

**Next Year's Camp:**

- Run a two day camp
- Attract more interest into Open Water Swimming

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211 OPEN WATER STATE:

212 DATE OF RACE: July 10, 2007

213 On July 10<sup>th</sup> Indiana Swimming held it's Open Water State Championships in Huntington. It was great to see so many  
214 swimmers and teams attend the meet in all Age Groups. This was a super event for the swimmers to get out of the  
215 pool and try new aspect of swimming.

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217 If you have any interest in helping with Open Water, please contact Charlie Fry at [swimmers@insightbb.com](mailto:swimmers@insightbb.com)

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219 **EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPPORT**

220 **Lynn Kinstler**

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222 As many of you already know, but some of you may not realize, Indiana Swimming is regarded by many across the  
223 country and at the USA Swimming staff as one of the premier LSC's within the USA Swimming structure. How did we  
224 achieve such status? Well, since the late 1980's, we've had paid staff to help in the administration of the organization.  
225 Those duties/responsibilities have grown over the years and will continue to grow. Our governance structure and  
226 Board of Directors are also highly regarded as forward-thinking, organized and successful. We have to thank all of our  
227 clubs for helping us keep up that ranking!

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229 I've just celebrated my 15-year as paid staff at Indiana Swimming. Every year is still challenging and rewarding. It's  
230 so great to see not only our clubs succeed, but our athletes as well.

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232 This past year was filled with projects, events, and the general day-to-day operations. For many of you, what we do in  
233 the offices might not be common knowledge. Although we have our own duties/responsibilities, Tony Young and I  
234 work as a team. As many of you also realize, we spend a lot of time simply responding to inquiries/concerns that are  
235 addressed either by phone or by email. Some days, that's our entire day! Below is a short list of some of the things I  
236 personally lead:

- 237 • Registration of Clubs, Athletes, Coaches and Officials
- 238 • Website Maintenance
- 239 • Basic Treasurer duties (deposits & check-writing)
- 240 • Results/Times into the National Database (SWIMS)
- 241 • Team IN support staff
- 242 • Office Manager

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244 Many of the above responsibilities have additional processes that keep me always busy! Pre-proving the state meets  
245 always is a crazy job. With our teams being more meticulous with their databases, our results are loading into SWIMS  
246 much cleaner with less time spent on cleaning those results. Many thanks to all clubs!!!

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248 As always, if you have any questions about anything, please feel free to call!!!

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250 **Sport Development Director**

251 **HOD Report**

252 **10/06/2007**

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254 To all Indiana Swimming Member Clubs

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256 The Indiana Swimming Sport Development Position was created in the mold of the USA Swimming Club Development  
257 Staff Consultant positions; specifically to be an educational and developmental resource for Indiana Swimming  
258 member clubs. Ultimately the goal is to bring a face to a name and develop relationships with member clubs.

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260 I actively partner with the USA Swimming staff to gain experience and insights via workshops and conference calls.  
261 Indiana Swimming is the first LSC to create such a position at the Local level and I am excited to be part of an  
262 organization committed to make such an investment in developing the sport.

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264 The Indiana Swimming Sport Development Director serves as a club consultant, club resource developer, meet  
265 hosting resource, developer of special of programs as an ambassador for the sport of swimming to develop

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relationships with the NCAA, IHSA, NFHS, Facilities, ICVA , media and a liaison to many of the Indiana Swimming Board of Directors committee chairs and events.

This past year has offered unique opportunities for all swimmers, coaches and parents in our own back yard. A full range of camp programs, numerous educational opportunities and special event programming as well as the opportunity see the heroes of USA Swimming compete in the ConocoPhillips National Championships and Speedo Jr. National Championships this past August, makes many other LSCs sit up and take notice of the Indiana Swimming community.

Below you can find just some of the special projects and programs that I have taken part of in an exciting 2006-07 year in Indiana Swimming. I hope to share the ideas that work with all of our programs in Indiana. The needs of our Indiana Swimming Membership shape the goals of the Sport Development Director Position. I look forward to the opportunity to visit with you and discuss your club, coaching and athlete needs and issues. You can contact me at the Indiana Swimming office anytime.

Best of Luck

Tony Young  
Sport Development Director  
Indiana Swimming  
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317-237-5780

#### **SPORT DEVELOPMENT YEAR-IN-REVIEW**

##### **GENERAL**

From September 2006 to October 2007 my focus as Sport Development Director has revolved around such Special Events as attending the USAS Convention, USA Swimming permanent office workshop and Indiana Swimming HOD as well as serving as the sponsorship and marketing chair for both the ConocoPhillips and Speedo Jr. National meets. Special projects include coordinating Race Analysis data collection at our winter & summer state meets, coordinated aquatic organizations to establish the Aquatic Alliance of Greater Indianapolis, development of Operation Water Safety, promoting the sport by serving as the color commentator for live web casts of the Girl's and Boy's High School State meets, High School HOF Classic, Homestead Invitational High School meets and the ISI Winter State Age Group Championships. I also assisted in coordinating the ISI Camps program and the Club President/Coach workshop. Office duties include: Blast e-mails, sanctions and scheduling which are ongoing. Priority has been given to increased travel with numerous club and coach visits. Other projects include my participation on a committee to develop a High School Swimming and Diving Hall of Fame, fundraising golf outing, HOF Classic swim meet and induction banquet. Monthly I sit in on the USA Swimming Club Development staff conference calls and also chair the USA Swimming Age Group Development Committee via conference call, meetings and coordination of workshops at the USAS Convention.

##### **SPECIAL EVENTS/PROJECTS**

###### **USAS Convention 2006**

###### **Meetings Attended:**

- Central Zone Forum and All Central Zone meetings
- USA Swimming Board of Directors Meeting
- Age Group Planning Business Meetings and Workshops
- LSC Leadership Workshop
- Senior Swimming Committee
- Coaches Meeting
- USA Swimming's Club Recognition Program
- Meet the Candidates
- Facilities Development
- Waterworks (Swim Meet Promotion)
- House of Delegates Meeting
- Awards Banquet

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**HEAD COACH/BOARD PRESIDENT SUMMIT – CLUB LEADERSHIP SCHOOLS**

Assisted with marketing, promotion, organization and answering questions for the Head Coach/BOD President Summit. Went to dinner with Arlene, Rose Synder and Pat Hogan to debrief following the HOD Summit.

Worked with the USA Swimming staff and LSC Clubs to coordinate 6 Club Leadership Schools in Indiana October 5-14.

I traveled to 5 of the sites to attend the meetings not only to learn but to network and make contact with local clubs. Lynn attended the Club Leadership School in Greenwood.

There were 40 teams that participated in the Club Leadership Schools as well as 4 teams from 3 different LSC's. All totaled 115 club representatives participated.

I provided needed transportation for the USA Swimming Staff members and had Tom Avischious and Randy Julian over to my home to watch football and eat a relaxing dinner.

I was impressed with the number of top 10 ten teams in the state and developing hungry teams that participated as well as a large number of head coaches. This was a great learning workshop that tied all of the HOD presentations and information together.

**Clubs attending the Club Leaderships Schools 10/5-14/2006**

MIST	ICAC
SDS	BURG
RDAC	WWST
CSC	GATR
INDY	DCAC
UNATT	JCSC
WTSC	LST
SCSC	PPSC
ZSC	MAC
SARG	NIKE
GEVV	TRAC
NSC	FWA
BOON	SWAC
MTV	HOTR
DART	PENN
DON	LSO
SCAC	ASHLAND KY
GRE	WESTERN IOWA NOTHERN
BGAC	NEMISIS-NORTH EAST OHIO
MART	TWINSBURG TIGER SHARKS, OH

**ISI BOARD RETREAT FOLLOW UP MEETING**

I attended the ISI Board Retreat follow-up meeting facilitated by Pat Hogan of USA Swimming.

**RACE ANALYSIS**

The Race Analysis program was expanded this year to include both the winter and summer State Age Group and Senior State Championships. Many thanks to the members of the Race Analysis Data Collection Team for their hours of dedication and support of the Race Analysis project during our state championships meets.

**SWIMPOSIUM/CLINICS**

I assisted with preparations for the October 6 Swimposium / HOD meeting held at Hamilton Southeastern High School. I worked with USA Swimming to coordinate USA Swimming Staff presenters, secured our keynote speaker Ruby Newell-Legner and communicate with all presenters on topics and agendas.

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357 **MEETS**

358 Attended all Divisional, State meets, Quad Meet as well as numerous local and the Speedo Sectional meet hosted in  
359 Crawfordsville. I also participated on the LOC of the ConocoPhillips National & Speedo Jr. National Championship  
360 meets

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363 **INDIANA HIGH SCHOOL HALL OF FAME AND BANQUET.**

364 I am part of a committee that organized the Indiana High School Hall of Fame and Banquet. Over 120 athletes and  
365 coaches were honor at the inaugural induction banquet on April 15

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367 *Mission:*

368 *The Indiana High School Swimming Hall of Fame is established to honor those athletes, coaches and special*  
369 *contributors who have contributed to High School swimming and diving in the State of Indiana. It will be a means*  
370 *of recognizing, preserving and promoting swimming and diving in the State. It honors the contributions and*  
371 *accomplishments of all of these individuals who are worthy of recognition as examples for others to emulate. A*  
372 *Hall of Fame plaque with the honorees names will is located in the hallway of the I.U. Natatorium on the campus of*  
373 *I.U.P.U.I*

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375 **PARENT EDUCATION AND MOTIVATIONAL SPEAKING**

376 Parent Education meetings have been successful to not only to present materials to parents but to help coaches  
377 encourage communication and promote their programs. Meetings are customized to the level of experience of the  
378 parents attending the meetings. I also have spoken as a motivational speaker at athlete meetings and club banquets.

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380 **CLUB/COACH VISITS**

381 Club visits consist of discussing various topics such as: strategic planning, hiring and evaluating a coach and  
382 discussing coaching issues, promote Indiana Swimming, communication between coach and club and problem  
383 solving. Follow-up with clubs is always done and second or third visits are not uncommon and encouraged. Many  
384 clubs and coaches communicate on a regular basis.

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386 **HOOSIER AUTHORITY.**

387 Hoosier Authority conducted live web casts at the Indiana High School Swimming & Diving Hall of Fame Classic and  
388 the Homestead High School Invitationals in December, IHSAA Boys and Girls State Championships and Indiana  
389 Swimming State Age Group Championships . I serve as the color commentator during these events to help promote  
390 the sport of Swimming in Indiana and sometimes across the world.

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392 **LSC SPONSORSHIP**

393 Negotiations were finalized for the Speedo LSC Sponsorship which offers many cash, equipment and speaker benefits  
394 for the Indiana Swimming LSC.. I serve as the liaison with Speedo to discuss the coordination of these LSC benefits,  
395 meets and clarification of sponsorship requirements. As part of the Speedo contract benefits Olympian Peter  
396 VanderKaay attended the State Age Championships to sign autographs and passed out awards.

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398 Daktronics has signed on as a Business Plus sponsorship.

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400 **INTERNSHIP**

401 I worked with Jay A. Bradley: Coordinator of the Department of Physical Education's Internship Programs for Exercise  
402 Science, Fitness Studies and Sports Management at IUPUI to assist with an internship program for Julie  
403 Cedars/Cardona for her work with the 2007 Nationals/Jr. Nationals LOC. (more info below)

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405 **OPEN WATER**

406 The Huntington Mile Open Water Race was designated as a qualifier for the upcoming August 5 Grand Prix 10K held  
407 at Eagle Creek. We have utilized this same location as a site for our first ever Open Water Camp held June 15 & 16.  
408 The athletes will participate in camp instruction on Open Water Racing on Friday June 15 and participate in the  
409 Huntington Mile or 5K on June 16. Rick Walker, former USA Swimming Open Water Director and head coach of the  
410 Southern Illinois Men & Women's Swim Team is the guest speaker. The camp has overfilled and numbers have  
411 increase in the Open Water Race to almost 400 participants.

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Huntington Wells Otters will also be hosting a reunion banquet for many of the past Huntington swimmers who may have swum for Glen S. Hummer as well as past participants in the mile.

As well, the Indiana Swimming Open Water State meet was held in Huntington at Lake Claire. A record number of 300 swimmers attended this meet.

**CAMPS**

All five camps this summer (including Open Water) filled beyond original estimates some with waiting lists. I contribute this to the coaches promoting the camps within their teams and the fact that the staffs are doing such a good job that we are getting return swimmers at camps.

I have served as Camp Director for the Combined Illinois/Indiana Age Group Memorial Day Camp as well as the Team Indiana Altitude Training Camp held at the Olympic Training Center in Colorado Springs. Preparations included all communication, paperwork, travel, facility and activity arrangements with USA Swimming, Illinois Swimming or associated organizations.

I also coordinate all required paperwork with USA Swimming for the Catch the Spirit camps, OTC funding and resources for all of the camps.

Staff communications were increased via staff conference calls and e-mails to communicate all roles and responsibilities.

I conducted a parent education meeting and staff rap up meeting at both the North and South one day Catch the Spirit Camps.

**NATIONAL MEET LOC MEETINGS & NATIONAL MEET PARTICIPATION**

In my role as Marketing and Sponsorship Chair for the National Meet LOC, I coordinated with our LOC committee members and USA Swimming to solicit sponsors and promote the upcoming national meets.

I finalized all sponsorship benefits which included advertising, tickets to the meets, VIP perks and coordinated awards presenters at both the Sr. National and Jr. National meets. Matt Reiswerg of the IU Natatorium staff and I coordinated all ticketing for sponsors, teams and the Make A Splash Day.

Community programming such as Operation Water Safety & the USA Make A Splash program was presented at the Black Expo Health Fair. Thanks to Eric Neuburger of the Governor's Council on Physical Fitness is assisting us in preparations with the Black Expo.

Both Julie Cedars/Cardona (IUPUI Intern) and I assisted USA Swimming in promoting the Aqua Zone and Make a Splash Day as well as helping with set-up tear down and coordinating all Indiana Swimming clubs for the Make a Splash Day and lunch.

I coordinated a sports management internship through IUPUI for Julie Cedars / Cardona. I composed internship roles & responsibilities, a mid-term and final evaluations in fulfillment of the IUPUI program director. Julie's responsibilities included organizing Operation Water Safety for Indiana Clubs, promoting Operation Water Safety and USA Swimming's Make a Splash program at the Black Expo, assisting USA Swimming in the Aqua Zone and with Make a Splash Day as well as other related duties during both National meets.

I have attended numerous LOC meetings in preparation for the events at the upcoming nationals.

Assisted in set-up and tear down of the venue

**OPERATION WATER SAFETY/AQUATIC ALLIANCE OF GREATER INDIANAPOLIS**

Indiana Swimming, USA Swimming, YMCA, Red Cross, Indy Parks and the IU Natatorium joined efforts together to form the Aquatic Alliance of Greater Indianapolis to promote water safety and health and build bridges from our diversity and economically challenged children to further aquatic programming.

*Operation Water Safety is a one day FREE land and water program designed by the Greater*

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470 *Indianapolis Aquatics Alliance to help children and their families learn basic swimming skills and*  
471 *water safety practices.*

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473 5 Indiana Swimming clubs participated in this event: ICAC, PA, CGAC, RDAC and LST. The Ben Davis location had  
474 to cancel. The local clubs were challenged as they had to do all the promotions themselves but we did see this as a  
475 tool to bring children into lessons programs and create a bridge to swim teams. We hope to expand this in the future.

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477 Through the efforts of some of our partners we were able to receive a sponsorship from Veolia Water. This funding will  
478 be used for a scholarship program for free or discounted swim lessons for underprivileged youth at each of our  
479 locations.

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481 We have also approached Dom Tessa at the USA Swimming Foundation for future financial support or assistance with  
482 this program.

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484 Thanks to Kent Nelson who helped develop a website to help promote this initiative.

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486 **USA SWIMMING/LSC**

487 Lynn and I attended a Permanent Office Staff Workshop in Colorado Springs October 26-27. I conducted a  
488 presentation on the history and evolution of the Indiana Swimming Sport Development Director position at the  
489 workshop. Travel was a challenge as Lynn and I arrived during blizzard conditions that cancelled the first day of the  
490 workshop. This workshop served as a great opportunity to network with LSC office staff and USA Swimming staff  
491 members to share the challenges of the LSC's and helpful information.

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493 April 6-8 traveled to Colorado Springs to attend the USA Swimming Facilities workshop. This workshop presented  
494 information on pool design, construction, programming, staffing and fundraising which will be helpful information for all  
495 clubs whether they are building or have an existing facility.

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497 Chaired an Age Group Development Workshop April 21-22 in Colorado Springs. As Chair of the AGD committee I  
498 then participated in the Senior Committee meeting on April 23.

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500 I assisted USA Swimming staff and ISI Committee members to create a National Coaches Symposium for Indiana  
501 Coach at Senior Nationals. 14 Indiana coaches were partnered up with a National Team Coaches during the  
502 ConocoPhillips National Championships to shadow their team activities during the first two days of the meet and attend  
503 team meetings presented by the USA Swimming staff.

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505 **PRESENTATIONS/MEETINGS**

506 Assisted in conducting the Championship Coordination meetings with Lynn and Scott Ingram for all Winter & Summer  
507 Meet hosts.

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509 On May 19 I participated in the OKI (Our Kids Initiative) meeting at the NCAA chaired by Pat Lunsford.

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511 *The Our Kids Initiative is a committee formed in 2000 in an effort to bring leaders from all governing bodies together to*  
512 *discuss what could be done to help all swimmers in the United States have the ability to compete without fear of being*  
513 *disqualified, regardless of whether the competition was held under, FINA, NCAA, NFHS, USA-S, USMS, or YMCA*  
514 *rules.*

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516 Bill Ramos with the IU Graduate program asked me to speak to his Aquatic Management class on how USA Club  
517 Programs are structured. In my presentation I covered the philosophical approach, education, resources, business  
518 models, marketing, why customer service is important and the ever-changing aspects of the sport.

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520 Spoke to the Indiana University "Coaching of Swimming" class to present information on coach and club leadership

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522 Attended an ISI Age Group Committee Conference Call conducted by Brad Smith

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524 Attended a conference call to discuss the Site Selection process.

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526 Ongoing Meetings: High School Hall of Fame Committee

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**USA SWIMMING/LSC**

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I traveled with Mick Nelson (Facilities Development Director) & Sue Nelson (Programming Director) of USA Swimming to meet with three Indiana teams in December to discuss current and future facility development. Prior to their visit I contacted numerous clubs in Indiana to access interest and coordinate these club visits. I continually give out the Facilities Department information and contact information to our Indiana clubs who look to build or renovate current facilities.

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Attend by conference call, monthly meetings with the Club Development Staff that share information on observations and key issues from club visits.

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Monthly conference calls with the Age Group Planning committee to continue to develop a mechanism for information sharing and programming to benefit the growth and development of age group swimming.

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**2006 GOALS**

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- Improve communication with BOD Division Chairs
- Assist in the organization of the 2006 camps program.
- Conduct parent and coach educational meetings.
- Promote Swimposium/Camps/Quad Meet/Zones/SDD position with assistance of Region Reps.
- Organize Club/Coach/athlete educational and motivational meetings
- Club/Meet Visits
- Coordinate new and existing programming.

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**2007 GOALS**

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- Evaluate existing Indiana Swimming programs for effectiveness.
- Assist in coordination and promotion of new LSC programming and camps
- Conduct parent, BOD and coach educational and strategic thinking meetings.
- Increased club and meet visits
- Develop marketing ideas and partnerships to promote the sport of swimming in Indiana
- Prepare for USAS Convention
- Evaluate data collected from Race Analysis at National meets.
- Clean out my inbox
- Finalize unfinished projects
- Improve the trickle down communication mechanism in the LSC
- Spend more time with my family

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**REGION 4 COACH REP**

**Samantha Robertson**

Hello and welcome to HOD. My name is Samantha Robertson. I have been coaching at Center Grove for the last nine years. Last year I was elected to represent Region 3 as the coaches Rep. I have thoroughly enjoyed the last year on the board. I have enjoyed learning the process the board takes in making decisions that affect Indiana Swimming.

I have also been very fortunate to be on the age group committee. This committee has just been formed over the last year and is really starting to make positive changes that will assist Indiana into moving up the ladder of success. This year is almost over and I am very excited to continue helping Indiana swimming in any way I can. Thank You!

**TEAM IN REP/MANAGER**

**Emily Kowalski**

Indiana had a great year with their Quad and Zone teams. In keeping with tradition, the Indiana Quad was once again victorious with the Zone team battling Illinois finishing second. A huge thank you to all the coaches who have participated (and to those of you who will participate).

Thank you to our January 2007 Quad Coaches, Head Coach Brian Hindson, Chad Englehart, Tom Johnson, Sam Spacek, Meg Osborne and Jennifer Kelsik!

Also to our 2007 August Zone Coaching staff Head Coach John Newhouse, Don Cozad, Dennis Davis, Smanatha Spacek and Amanda Juntunen. Our Coaches are the best across the country! A special thanks to Franky Voss (YSC) for taking over the Assistant Team Manager while in Cleveland and to the Furgesons (ACST) for transporting outfitting to Cleveland!!

Once again our wonderful swim shops Circle City Swim Wear and Kast-A-Way provided superior outfitting for both our teams and were great to work with. Thank you Melissa and Robin.

It is time for every coach to be involved in our Quad and Zone teams. Applications are being accepted for the Quad coaching staff and applications for the Zone staff are available after the first of the year. I want to encourage all coaches to apply, get involved and experience this fantastic opportunity to work with swimmers from all around the state.

Thanks to Lynn, Tony and Michele as well as Age Group Chair Brad Smith, Senior Chair Chad Englehart, past Coaches Rep Brian Hindson as well as the present Coaches Rep Will Bernhardt, for their constant help and support which enables Indiana Swimming to continue to be a powerhouse at both the Zone and Quad meets.

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