

PAWW POST

The Wizard Way

TOP NEWS OF THE MONTH

BECOME AN OFFICIAL!



Be on deck with your swimmer!

No swim experience needed!

Free admission into meets
when working!

Fun group of people!

Fulfills volunteer hours!

Free food!

www.usaswimming.org/how-to-become-an-official
or contact

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IMPORTANT INFORMATION

- >>> BLACK 1/2: MONDAYS 4-6 PM
- >>> BLACK 2: WEDNESDAYS 4-6 PM
- >>> MARCH 9-10: NO PRACTICE
- >>> 3/12: NCSA DEADLINE
- >>> 3/17: TEAM DINNER AT CENTRAL FROM 4:30-7. RSVP BY 3/12/24.
- >>> PEKIN LAST PRACTICE: 3/22/24
- >>> PEORIA LAST PRACTICE: 3/24/24
- >>> APRIL 1: PEORIA LONG COURSE PRACTICES BEGIN!
- >>> APRIL 2: LONG COURSE PRACTICES BEGIN!
- >>> APRIL 13: TRIVIA NIGHT
- >>> COMING SOON: LONG COURSE REGISTRATION

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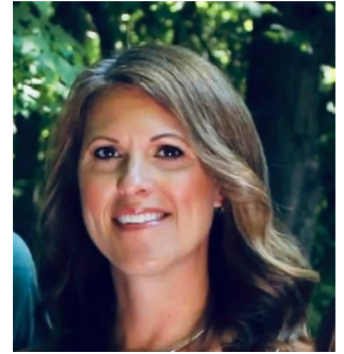
WE ARE HERE TO SERVE YOUR NEEDS



March Director Spotlight, Brenda Buley

Please help us welcome the newest member to the Board, Jana Soviar! She is a stay at home mother to three kids with a Masters Degree in Accounting. Prior to kids, she worked at Price Waterhouse Coopers and Caterpillar.

Jana's daughter , Eden, transferred to PAWW this past September after swimming for the Dunlap Dolphins for four years. Prior to leaving DDST, she served as the Chair of Boosters.



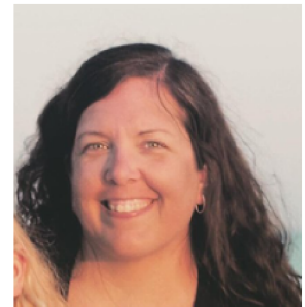
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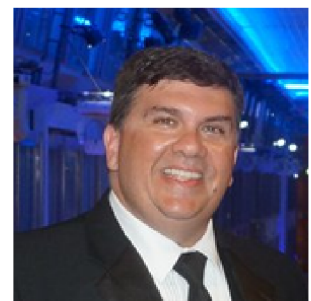
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Trivia Night Fundraiser



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JOIN US Parents,
Grandparents,
and Friends 18+



DECADES THEME
Dress & Decorate in
your favorite decade!

Where: Tres Rojas Winery
1774 E Crugar in Washington

When: *Saturday, April 13th, 2024*
5:30pm Doors Open
6-9 Trivia

Event Details:

Team of 8 \$200 & Individual \$25

50/50 Raffle & Silent Auction

Table Décor Judging

Ticket includes 1 beverage and light snacks

Beverages available for purchase

Participants 18 years or older

Register by April 10th @ <https://forms.office.com/r/TCSsQQarF8>

REGISTER
TODAY!!!



SEATING IS
LIMITED!



Tentative

Summer practice schedule for April-May

	White	Yellow	Blue	Black 1	Black 2
Monday	5:15-6:00	Off	6:00-7:30	4:00-6:00	4:00-6:00
Tuesday	Off	5:15-6:30	Off	*5:30-8:00	*5:30-8:00
Wednesday	5:15-6:00	Off	*5:30-7:30	Off	4:00-6:00
Thursday	Off	5:15-6:30	Off	*5:30-8:00	*5:30-8:00
Friday	5:15-6:00	6:00-7:00	6:00-7:30	Off	Off
Saturday	Off	11:30-1:00	*10:00-12:00	*7:00-10:00	*7:00-10:00
Sunday	12:00-1:00	12:00-1:30	10:00-12:00	8:00-10:00	8:00-10:00

* drylands as part of practice

Blue drylands - Wed 5:30-6:00, Saturday 11:30-12:00

Black 1/2, HP drylands - 5:30-6:15 T/TH, Saturday 7:00-7:45

Summer practice schedule for June-July

	White	Yellow	Blue	Black 1	Black 2
Monday AM	9:30-10:30	9:30-11:00	8:00-9:30	8:00-9:30	6:30-8:00 a.m.
Monday PM	5:00-6:00	4:30-6:00	4:30-6:00	6:00-7:30	6:00-8:00
Tuesday AM	Off	Off	*7:45-10:00	*7:00-9:15	*7:30-10:30
Tuesday PM	Off	Off	Off	4:30-6:00	4:30-6:30
Wednesday AM	9:30-10:30	9:30-11:00	8:00-9:30	8:00-9:30	6:30-8:00 a.m.
Wednesday PM	5:00-6:00	4:30-6:00	4:30-6:00	4:30-6:00	4:30-6:30
Thursday AM	Off	Off	Off	*7:00-9:15	*7:30-10:30
Thursday PM	Off	Off	Off	Off	Off
Friday AM	9:30-10:30	9:30-11:00	8:00-9:30	8:00-9:30	6:30-8:00 a.m.
Friday PM	5:00-6:00	4:30-6:00	4:30-6:00	Off	Off
Saturday	12:00-1:00	12:00-1:30	*9:15-12:00	*7:00-10:00	*7:00-10:00

* drylands as part of practice

Blue Drylands - Tues 7:45-8:15, Saturday - 9:15-9:45

Black 1 drylands - T/TH 8:45-9:15, Saturday 7:00-7:45

Black 2/HP Drylands - T/TH 7:30-8:15, Saturday 7:00-7:45



Tentative

Pekin schedule for April-May

	White	Yellow	Blue	Black 1	Black 2
Monday	No practice	No practice	No practice	No practice	No practice
Tuesday	5:30-6:15	5:30-6:45	5:30-7:00	No practice	No practice
Wednesday	No practice	No practice	No practice	No practice	No practice
Thursday	5:30-6:15	5:30-6:45	5:30-7:00	No practice	No practice
Friday	5:30-6:15	5:30-6:45	5:30-7:00	5:30-7:30	5:30-7:30
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HOTEL BLOCKS COMING SOON

PAWW Swim Meet Schedule

2024 long course season

April 1 st	Season begins	Central Pool, Peoria
May 11-12	Kendall Pickering meet	UIC, Chicago
May 31-June 2	JETS Summer Classic	St. John, IN
June 7-9	Capital City Classic	Springfield, IL
June 21-23	FRST Prelim/Final	Franklin, IN
June 29	Summer Sizzler	Central Pool, Peoria
July 5-7	Heat Summer meet	UIUC, Champaign
July 12-14	ISI regional champs*	East Moline
July 18-21	ISI Age group champs*	St. John, IN
July 25-28	ISI Senior champs*	Westmont, IL
August 1-4	Central Zone champs*	Fargo, ND
August 6	Illinois Open Water champs*	Lake Manteno, IL

*denotes time standard qualification meet

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!!!

*We
Need
You!*



**Marketing & webpage support
volunteers needed!**

Please contact

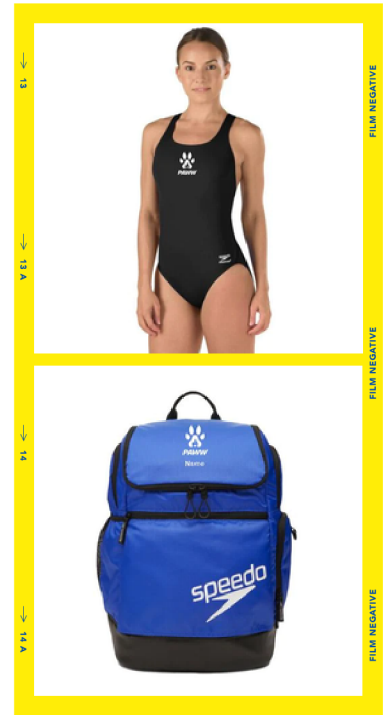
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WE SWIM & SWAG!

THE PAWW TEAM STORE



PAWW's year-round team store



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on our homepage.
www.pawswim.org

ADD TO CART



LOBBY CHARTS EXPLAINED

IF YOU VISIT THE LOBBY AT THE PEORIA CENTRAL PARK POOL, YOU MAY HAVE NOTICED THE CHARTS WITH THE SWIMMER'S NAME. THESE MOTIVATIONAL CHARTS ARE A TOOL FOR SWIMMERS TO SEE THEIR PROGRESS THROUGHOUT THE SEASON. THE CHARTS WILL BE UPDATED AFTER MEETS TO SHOW IMPROVEMENTS AS WELL AS ACHIEVEMENT OF USA SWIMMING MOTIVATIONAL TIMES AND ILLINOIS SWIMMING CHAMPIONSHIP GOALS (CUTS) BY AGE GROUPS.

SO WHAT DO THE STICKERS REPRESENT?

FOR OUR NEWER AND YOUNGER SWIMMERS, YOU MAY NOTICE FEWER PAW AND STAR STICKERS THAN WITH THE OLDER KIDS. THIS IS DUE TO THE FACT THAT ALL KIDS UNDER 10 ARE TRYING FOR THE SAME MOTIVATIONAL TIMES AND CUTS AS A 10 YEAR OLD. BUT WE STILL WANT TO SHOW PROGRESS, IN AN EFFORT TO DO SO WE HAVE THE SMILEY FACE STICKERS THAT WILL BE PLACED ON THE CHARTS FOR EACH 1ST TIME SWIM OR NEW BEST TIME ON AN EVENT.

FOR OUR OLDER MORE EXPERIENCED SWIMMERS, THE CHARTS ARE USED FOR TRACKING GOALS. TAKE A LOOK AT THE KEY NEXT TO THE POSTERS. YOU WILL SEE THE FOLLOWING VERBIAGE ALONG WITH A CORRESPONDING STICKER.

ILLINOIS SWIMMING CHAMPIONSHIP TIMES

ZONES - QUALIFYING MEET TIME OF A AAA.
STATE - QUALIFYING MEET TIME BY AGE GROUP.
REGIONALS - QUALIFYING MEET TIME BY AGE GROUP.
NATIONAL AGE GROUP MOTIVATIONAL TIMES

AAAA: TOP 2% IN YOUR AGE GROUP, NATIONALLY.
AAA: TOP 6% IN YOUR AGE GROUP, NATIONALLY.
AA: TOP 8% IN YOUR AGE GROUP, NATIONALLY.
A: TOP 15% IN YOUR AGE GROUP, NATIONALLY.
BB: TOP 35% IN YOUR AGE GROUP, NATIONALLY.
B: TOP 55% IN YOUR AGE GROUP, NATIONALLY.

THESE CATEGORIES ARE SET UP BY USA SWIMMING AND ILLINOIS SWIMMING AS TARGETS FOR SWIMMERS TO COMPARE WITH OTHER SWIMMERS ACROSS THE NATION. YOU MAY NOTICE WE HAVE SOME REAL TALENT HERE AT OUR POOL! THE PAW STICKERS REPRESENT THE DIFFERENT NATIONAL CATEGORIES, WHEREAS THE STAR STICKERS REPRESENT QUALIFYING TIMES TO PARTICIPATE IN CHAMPIONSHIP MEETS.

WHAT DOES AGING UP MEAN?

AGING UP MEANS THAT YOU ARE MOVING ON TO THE NEXT AGE GROUP WITH TOUGHER STANDARDS. YOU MAY NOTICE THAT YOUR 10 YEAR OLD DOES NOT APPEAR ON THE 10 AND UNDER CHART, THEY ARE ON THE 11-12 CHART. THERE IS A REASON FOR IT. THE CHARTS ARE ORGANIZED BY AGE GROUP BASED ON THE CHILD'S AGE AS OF FEBRUARY 22, 2024. THIS DATE IS IMPORTANT BECAUSE IT DETERMINES WHAT AGE GROUP THE SWIMMER FALLS INTO AND WHAT TARGETS AND CUTS THEIR CHAMPIONSHIP POST SEASON WILL BE BASED ON.

STAY INFORMED!



SOCIAL MEDIA



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SMS: GET TEXT UPDATES

Computer Instructions: Log into PAWW account. Click on “Account Info.” Located “Mobile/SMS” field. Enter cell number. To the right of that field, locate the field labeled “Carrier.” Toggle to your carrier. Click “Save” on the bottom right of the screen. Two numbers may be entered.

You may also enter a Mobile/SMS on each swimmer’s profile page. Select the “Member’s” tab at the top of the page. Select your swimmer’s name. Enter your swimmer’s name. Enter the Mobile/SMS 7 Carrier in the correct fields. Select the green “Save” button on the bottom right of the screen.



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Tres Rojas Winery



SWIM MEETS

Date

Host

Location

October 8	PAWW Time Trials	Peoria, IL
October 20-22	PAWW Spooktakular	Peoria, IL
November 17-19	Red Raiders	Springfield, IL
December 2-3	BNSC	Normal, IL
December 8-10	Fox Valley	**Hobart, IN
January 12-14	Champaign Heat	**Champaign, IL
*January 26-28	BBSC Circle City	**Indianapolis, IN
February 9-11	FRST	**Franklin, IN
February 16-18	PAWW	Peoria, IL
*February 23-25	PAWW Regionals	Peoria, IL
*Feb 29 - March 3	ISI Senior State	**Lincolnshire, IL
*March 7 - 10	ISI Age Group State	Hobart, IN
*March 19-23	NCSA Senior Champs	Orlando, FL
*March 27-30	NCSA Age Group Champs	Orlando, FL

*Denotes time standard qualification meet

**Denotes room blocks will be or are available.