

OTTERGRAM

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May 13th, 2009

OTTERS WELCOME OAKS OF ATASCOCITA

Saturday, May 16th, at 7:00am at Elm Grove Pool.

Swimmers please arrive at 6:45am to circle in.

ALL SWIMMERS MUST CHECK-IN UPON ARRIVAL AT THE POOL.

There will be a table with a list of all the swimmers. Please circle your name to indicate that you are at the meet. After you check-in, find the team parent for your age group and get your heat assignments.

IT IS NOT THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE TEAM PARENT TO KEEP UP WITH YOUR CHILD DURING THE MEET. Their responsibility is getting the children to the ready bench at the appropriate time. **If parents are unable to stay at the meet please locate another parent to watch over your children during your absence. Team Parents and siblings cannot be responsible for watching younger children.**

Parking is available at Elm Grove Elementary. Please DO NOT Park on the apartment side of the street directly in front of the pool, there will be NO PARKING posted to help let you know where to park. This is so emergency vehicles can get down the streets. Parking in the pool lot is for board members only!!!

Coaches Corner

Hey Otters, Great job at time trials last weekend. OTTER AWESOME JOB!!!
Some things to remember for the next meet are to be on time for warm-ups, circle in, and make sure you swim fast! The coaches are looking forward to seeing big improvements this year. GO OTTERS!!!

P.S. Stroke clinic sheets will be with Coach Sam @ the meet, so if you want to get a spot, come and see her after the meet has started. Please don't come during warm-ups. Also, Please make sure you have money in advance.

Thanks Otters,
SWIM HARD!!!

Coaches

NEW INFORMATION

STARTING FRIDAY, MAY 15TH ALL FRIDAY PRACTICES WILL BE HELD AT ELM GROVE POOL FOR STATION PRACTICES. PLEASE COME AT YOUR REGULARLY SCHEDULED PRACTICE TIME.

PLEASE READ Hunters Ridge Parking

Parents, we have been asked by the residents to not park on the cul-de-sac across from Hunters Ridge Pool during practices. Please try to park along the streets on Oak Garden.

**!!!!SWIMMERS PLEASE
READ!!!!**

At swim meets, once you have completed your heat please come to the coach's area for a short review of your swim. This is the time for you to ask the coaches specific questions regarding that particular heat. The coaches will also offer information to help you the next time you swim that stroke.

**SCHLITTERBAHN
GALVESTON
JUNE 9TH**

TICKETS: 12+ \$31.00/ 3YR-11YR \$26.00
UNDER 2 YRS FREE
Meal tickets \$9.00
PARKING IS FREE

Meal (In our own area) of Chopped Beef Sandwiches, Pinto Beans, Potato Salad, Frozen Desert, Lemonade, Water and Tea.
WE CAN ALSO BRING IN OUR OWN COOLERS WITH FOOD AND DRINKS!

TICKETS WILL BE ON SALE THIS SATURDAY, MAY 16TH DURING THE MEET AT THE SWIM SHOP OR EMAIL KRYSTIN MEYER @ JKTSMeyer@embarqmail.com

YOU CAN NOT GET THE DISCOUNTED PRICE AT THE PARK, SO PURCHASE IN ADVANCE.

Meet Schedule

May 16th ...vs. Oaks of Atascocita
May 23rdat Trailwood
May 30thvs. Kings River
June 6thvs. Newport
June 13that Bear Branch
. June 20thDivisionals at HHS
Home Meets are in Bold Type!!!

PEP RALLY

We will have our 1st pep rally this Friday at practice. There will be a poster contest, so go wild with your imagination. Remember we are swimming against the Olympians of the Oaks of Atascocita .

ALL VOLUNTEERS

PLEASE LOOK FOR KRISTEN REEP AT MEETS AND MAKE SURE TO **SIGN IN** WITH HER SO THAT WE KNOW THAT YOU ARE AT THE MEET!! THIS WAY WE CAN MAKE ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR THE POISTIONS THAT NEED TO BE FILLED.

SWIM TEAM HOTLINE

281-319-1300

Webmaster

webmaster@villageotters.com

Volunteers Still Needed

We are still in need of a Head Desk Parent for Elm Grove. If you are interested please contact Kristen Reep at 281-354-6281 or at ottervolunteer@yahoo.com.

PICTURE DAY

**Thursday, May 21st @ EG Pool
4:30pm for individual photos and
6pm for team picture.**

DO NOT PARK IN FRONT OF THE SCHOOL, THEY WILL BE WORKING.
WEAR YOUR TEAM SUIT AND BRING YOUR SMILE!!!!!!!!!!!!

BIRTHDAYS

Alyssa Carrell 9 yrs on May 14th
Kimberly Jackson.. 14 yrs on May 16th
Alexandra Penn... 11 yrs on May 19th
Happy Birthday!!!

**Rules for the pool
During practice**

1. No running allowed on the deck of the pool.
2. Nobody is allowed in the baby pools.
3. All parents must watch from outside the fence.
4. Please do not talk with the coaches during or between practices. Please use coaches' binders for questions or see a Board Member to talk about any concerns. We run the practices very tight so we need the coaches to concentrate without a lot of distractions.

**STROKE CLINICS ARE
BACK!**

Stroke clinics starting May 18th will be as follows to start, Monday will focus on Breaststroke, Tuesday will be Backstroke, Wednesday will be Butterfly, Thursday will focus on Starts/Turns and Friday will be Freestyle.

You can sign up for 2 weeks at a time. The cost will be \$5.00 per swimmer, per clinic and **PAYMENT IS DUE AT THE TIME OF SIGN UP. No Checks under \$25. Cash is preferred.**

PLEASE SEE COACH SAM AFTER WARM-UPS AT THE MEET TO SIGN UP.

Clinics will be held at Elm Grove Pool and will run from 7:15 to 7:45 pm.

COACHES BINDER

There is a binder at each pool so parents can leave questions and requests for the coaches. If you are going to miss a meet, please let the coaches know by leaving it in the binder!!

CONCESSION HELPERS

All volunteers who have signed up to help in the Concessions need to be aware that **YOU MUST WEAR CLOSED TOES SHOES**, and have **YOUR HAIR UP IN A BASEBALL CAP OR HAIR NET** (no visors please). This is required by the City of Houston. Thank you in advance for your cooperation.

**FUNDRAISER
INFORMATION!!!!
Juvenile Diabetes
"SWIM ALONG"**

May 27th @ Hunters Ridge
May 28th @ Elm Grove
DURING PRACTICE

NEED LAP COUNTERS ON THESE
DAY
(1 PER LANE)
LOOK FOR INFO TO COME HOME
WITH YOUR SWIMMER!!!!

**NO PRACTICE
MEMORIAL DAY
OR
THE LAST DAY OF SCHOOL**

**PRACTICE SCHEDULE
MAY 4TH-JUNE 2ND**

	Elm Grove Pool
11 & 12	4:30-5:45
13 & up	5:45-7:00
	Hunters Ridge Pool
6 & Under	4:30-5:15
7 & 8	5:15-6:00
9 & 10	6:00-7:00

