

# USMS COMMITTEE REPORTS

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## CONVENTION

Wednesday, September 11th, 4:15-5:15 pm

Meeting Room – UNIVERSE

Committee Chair: Michael Heather

Committee Vice Chair: Tracy Grilli

Committee Members: Debbie Cavanaugh, Lorie Gibson-Rick, Edie Gruender, Lil Haneman, Mary Hull, Elizabeth Johnson, June Mather, Art Mayer, Cris Meier-Windes, Meg Smath, Joan Smith, Joanne Tingley, Bill Tingley, Rhea Wilkins, Executive Committee Liaison – Jim Miller, MD.

## ANNUAL REPORT

Not much to report here because most of our work is done at convention. As you know, the schedule has changed somewhat due to the “new” format of the convention meetings being “grouped together”. This added some extra work to the scheduling of rooms. The final schedule has been sent to USAS and rooms have been allocated for all our meetings. Committee Chairs and those running meetings were contacted for room set up and equipment needs. For those who did not respond, we referred to past years and will be using that set up.

As you know, we “computerized” the entire convention registration information packet, distributed it via email and it is on the 2002 Convention Page of the USMS website. By the time you receive this packet, it too will be on our website. Upon completion of convention, the minutes of the meetings will also be posted.

We have also contracted with the Carroll ISD for use of their aquatics center in Southlake for our morning practices (6- 7:15am Wed.- Sat). We are negotiating with USA swimming to share bus transportation for practices.

## AGENDA

1. Hospitality Suite Organization
2. Certification Table
3. Reports, printing and distribution, electronic media
4. Meeting Set-up reviews
5. New Business

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## USMS ENDOWMENT FUND BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Friday, September 13<sup>th</sup> 12:45-1:45 pm

Meeting Room - UNIVERSE

Committee Chair: Doug Church

Committee Members: Tom Boak, Rich Burns, Sally Ann Dillon, Betsy Durrant, Jack Geoghegan, Mel Goldstein, Dan Gruender, Ted Haartz, Lynn Hazlewood, Carl House, June Krauser, Michael Laux, Jim Miller, MD, Scott Rabalais, Nancy Ridout, Jessica Seaton, Bill Volckening

It has been a watershed year for the Endowment. Because of the generosity of individual donor's and the decision by the House of Delegates to bring the fund to \$100,000, we have been able to initiate our first grants. Grants of \$2,500 each were approved for Dr. Joel Stager and the Counsilman Center for the Study of Swimming

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and Eddie Ames for the study of essential tremor and Parkinson's Disease and swimming as a factor in therapy. The Sports Medicine Committee has been working on suggested criteria for future grants.

Numerous contributions were received by the Endowment this year in memory of members and friends of Masters swimming and in honor or recognition of team or individual accomplishments. A continuation of the "check off" system when paying annual dues will be continued as well as continued efforts to educate our members about the opportunity for contributions to the Endowment.

## AGENDA

1. Welcome - Chairman, Doug Church
2. Report on check-off collections, matching funds and Fund status - Jeanne Ensign and Doug Church
3. Discussion of Grant Proposals, if any
4. Supplemental funding request
5. New Business
6. Adjourn

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## ZONE COMMITTEE

**Wednesday, September 11<sup>th</sup>, 4:15-5:15 pm**  
**Meeting Room – CONSTELLATION 1**

Committee Chair: Lynn Hazlewood

Committee Members: Joan Alexander (Oceana Zone), Marcia Anziano (Breadbasket Zone), Dan Frost (Northwest Zone), June Krauser (Dixie Zone), Wayne McCauley (Southwest Zone), Barbara Protzman (Colonies Zone), Melissa Rinker (Great Lakes Zone), Sally Maddox (South Central Zone).

## ANNUAL REPORT

This year, the Zone Committee has set out on a 2-year journey to redefine itself. With six of the eight current Zone Representatives new to the job and a new Executive Committee moving USMS into the future, this is the ideal time to take a look at ourselves. To that end, we have engaged in discussions this year on a number of issues. We will add to those topics in 2003 and culminate our discussions with proposed legislation changes next year as well as suggestions for committee internal working guidelines.

There are three topics currently under discussion: Do we need a Zone Committee; zone financing issues; and zone Rep job description. Next year, we will be adding leadership, conflict resolution, and legislation proposals for the 2003 legislation cycle.

We have had one change in zone representative this year. Larry Wood, South Central Zone, graciously resigned his office in July because of conflicts with other life activities. In his letter he stated: "In the interest of seeing that the South Central Zone stay organized and represented in USMS I am impelled to resign from the office at this time." I have appointed Sally Maddox from South Texas LMSC to be Zone Rep until the zone can meet at convention to choose their new leader.

The committee is also involved in running the 2002 Zone Chair election. Since I am standing for reelection, Melissa Rinker is the Election Chair for this year. Her report on election activities can be read under the election information report.

## AGENDA

1. Call to order and introductions
2. Saturday Zone Meetings—don't forget lunch
3. Zone Committee discussion Topics
  - a. Do we need a Zone Committee?
  - b. Zone finances issues
  - c. Zone Rep convention expenses

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- d. Zone financing
  - e. Zone Rep job description
  - f. Leadership and conflict resolution
  - g. 2003 Legislation proposals
4. 2002 Zone Chair Election—Melissa Rinker (Zone Chair will leave the room for this discussion)
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## **BREADBASKET ZONE – Marcia Anziano, Zone Rep** **Saturday, September 14<sup>th</sup>, 12:00-1:30 pm** **Meeting Room - ORBIT**

### **ANNUAL REPORT**

1. Missouri Valley hosted the Zone Meet along with there Campionship Short Course meet in April.
2. Colorado hosted a USMS Mentor Clinic on May 31/ June 1st.
3. Have participated in Discussion Forum regarding Zone Reps.
4. Forwarded information from Nationals to LMSC's within my zone.

### **ACTION ITEMS**

1. Continue to keep LMSC's informed of data coming from Nationals.

### **AGENDA**

1. Zone Rep responsibilities.
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## **COLONIES ZONE – Barbara Protzman, Zone Rep** **Saturday, September 14<sup>th</sup>, 12:00-1:30 pm** **Meeting Room – CONSTELLATION 4**

### **ANNUAL REPORT**

#### **SCM Championships**

Rutgers University in New Brunswick, NJ was the site of the 2001 SCM Championship on Dec. 8-9. Results of that meet can be found at <http://www.colonieszone.org/comp/results/scm01.pdf>. Our next SCM Championship meet will also be at Rutgers on December 7-8, 2002. Bids are open for the 2003 championship and will be awarded at the convention meeting. If you are interested in hosting the 2003 Colonies Zone SCM Championship Meet, please contact Barb Protzman.

#### **SCY Championships**

The University of Maryland in College Park, MD was the site of the SCY Championship April 19-21, 2002. Many thanks to David Diehl and his crew for putting on this meet. There were 420 swimmers from 38 teams, and many zone meet records were broken. The top three teams were: Virginia Masters, Colonials 1776, and D.C. Masters. Results of that meet can be found at <http://www.colonieszone.org/comp/results/scy2002.htm>. We are seeking bids for the 2003 SCY Colonies Zone Championship Meet. We hope to receive several bids before convention.

#### **Zone Website**

Our current webmaster is unable to continue in the job. We will be appointing a new webmaster at convention. Any zone members interested should contact Barb Protzman. You do not need to be coming to convention to be eligible for this job.

#### **Colonies Zone Membership**

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As of the close of the 2001 registration year, the Colonies Zone had 8,309 members. By LMSC the counts were:

Adirondack	182
Connecticut	403
Delaware Valley	604
Maryland	421
Metropolitan	1410
New England	1639
Niagara	443
New Jersey	534
Potomac Valley	1863
Virginia	810

## AGENDA

1. Introductions (10 mins)
  - a. One delegate from each LMSC introduce members present
2. Zone Rep's Report (5 mins)
  - a. Verify Mailing List
  - b. Zone Finance Report
3. Work Groups (25 mins)
  - a. Awards
  - b. Championships
  - c. Zone Activities
4. Work Group Reports (15 mins)
  - a. Reports and Recommendations
  - b. Discussion
  - c. Assignment of Personnel
5. Zone Championship Bids (10 mins)
6. Zone Service Award (5 mins)
7. Business from the Floor
8. Next Zone Meeting
9. "Hot" Convention Topics

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**DIXIE ZONE - June Krauser, Zone Rep**  
**Saturday, September 14<sup>th</sup>, 12:00-1:30 pm**  
**Meeting Room – CONSTELLATION 5**

## ANNUAL REPORT

The Dixie Zone is doing great! There have been three newsletters since Convention. Dixie ZoneSCY Championships were held in Clearwater, FL with 235 swimmers attending. The Florida Association had their Awards Banquet the Saturday night after the meet. This was their first Awards Banquet and it was a huge success. The Florida Gold Coast held their Awards Banquet on January 5<sup>th</sup> with over 100 in attendance. It also was a great evening. We are now looking forward to the YMCA Masters SCY Championships at the Hall of Fame Pool in Fort Lauderdale. The weather is going to be great for the 654 swimmers expected to attend. And, the weather was great and it was a good meet getting over early for plenty of spare time. Last fall, the DZ SCM meet was held on October 5-7 in Orlando with 215 swimmers. The DZ LCM Championships were held June 22-23 in Greenville, SC. Paris Island Masters from SC won the combined team trophy. Ed Saltzman has the Dixie Zone LCM Records up to date on the Dixie Zone web site. Dick Brewer does an excellent job of keeping the meet dates, entry blanks, etc. on the Dixie Zone web site. No need to reproduce a Calendar when it is so readily available to every one at [www.dixiezone.org](http://www.dixiezone.org)

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## AGENDA

1. This is a lunch meeting. Randy Nutt is in charge of ordering lunch and Drinks. No charge.
2. Zone specific tasks
  - a. Financial Report
  - b. Newsletters
  - c. Top Ten Times
  - d. Records
  - e. Zone Meets
  - f. Top Ten Patches
3. Zone activities for 2002-2003
  - a. Championship meet bids
  - b. 2003 Calendar
  - c. Other activities
4. Coaches Mentor Program
5. Future direction of zones
6. Discussion of "hot" convention topics
7. New Business
8. Adjourn

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## **GREAT LAKES ZONE – Melissa Rinker, Zone Rep** **Saturday, September 14<sup>th</sup>, 12:00 – 1:30 pm** **Meeting Room – CONSTELLATION 3**

### ANNUAL REPORT

The Great Lakes Zone has seen a great deal of activity this year. After a successful round of state meets in each LMSC, attention turned to a summer filled with many LC and Open Water swims.

O\*H\*I\*O\* Masters Swim Club is hosting the 2002 Long Course Nationals at Cleveland State University on August 15<sup>th</sup> through the 18<sup>th</sup>. Over 1000 swimmers will be competing and enjoying the pleasures of Cleveland including a social event at the Rock N'Roll Hall of Fame!

Central has a new Chair as of August 1<sup>st</sup>. Mary Pohlman has stepped into that position following the relocation of Steve Young to New York.

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## **NORTHWEST ZONE – Dan Frost, Zone Rep** **Saturday, September 14<sup>th</sup>, 12:00 – 1:30 pm** **Meeting Room - CONCORDE**

### ANNUAL REPORT

Since my mid-year report was published four months ago, I have been on a whirlwind tour of the Northwest experiencing much of the variety of Masters swimming events and programs that have occurred. I was at Oregon LMSC's 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebration and open water swim event. I've attended practices in the Inland Northwest and participated in their LMSC championship meet. I went to British Columbia for their provincial championship as well as open water events in the waters around beautiful Vancouver. Closer to "home" in Western Washington, I got to co-manage our SCY zone championship / LMSC championship meet in Federal Way. I haven't made it up to Alaska recently, but I did participate in their April postal event.

Each of those experiences have confirmed to me that the spirit of Masters swimming and the quality of its events and programs continue to be strong in the Northwest. I am personally looking forward to swimming a 10k in support of our USMS championship hosted by Snake River and to taking the zone motor home on the road to Salt Lake City to swim with the Utah Masters at our LC zone championships.

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Our zone continues to enjoy modest membership growth although our events are modestly attended. I believe that is because we offer a wide range of well-organized activities (meets, open water swims, clinics and workouts) that are attractive to a wide range of swimmers. As I have gotten more comfortable with my job as zone representative, my primary focus has evolved toward helping my member LMSCs carry out their administrative responsibilities so that they can focus better on offering the wide range of programs that they do.

I look ahead at 2003 projecting that our membership, activity level and activity quality will continue the modest growth of the past year. We will face new challenges, such as the proposed closure of pools in King County, Washington (Seattle metropolitan area) and increased costs associated with conducting meets (e.g. site fees). Based on the spirit and efforts that I have seen demonstrated this year by our members, I am confident that we will meet and conquer these challenges, as we have done to others in the past.

## DISCUSSIONS AND PROJECTS

1. The Zone hosted championship meets in April (SCY – Federal Way WA) and August (LC – Salt Lake City).
2. USMS Long Distance championships were hosted within the zone by Oregon Masters Swimming (One Mile OW) and Sawtooth Masters (5k/10k Postal).
3. USMS clinics were held within the zone by the Pacific Northwest LMSC (Open Water – Mike Collins) and Oregon Masters Swimming (Open Water – Jim Miller).
4. The Zone discussed, for possible future action, revisions to its policies on zone championship meets concerning individual event limits and combined zone/LMSC championship meets.

## ACTION ITEMS

1. Zone policy was revised to clarify that all distances of all relays will be offered at zone championships and that swimmers are entitled to swim in each of the ten relay events.
2. The Zone provided financial support to at least three convention delegates to attend the 2002 USMS convention, including support for a delegate from Alaska.
3. The Zone began posting on its website ([www.northwestzone.org](http://www.northwestzone.org)) electronic versions (PDF format) of entry forms and information sheets for Masters swimming events being held within the zone and British Columbia.

## AGENDA

1. Call to Order and introductions
2. Review/approval of Minutes of the April 2002 and August 2002 zone meetings
3. Reports
  - a. Zone Representative
  - b. Zone Treasurer
  - c. LMSCs (including reports on zone championship events hosted, USMS championship events hosted and USMS clinics hosted)
    - i. Pacific Northwest
    - ii. Oregon
    - iii. Inland Northwest
    - iv. Alaska
    - v. Montana
    - vi. Snake River
    - vii. Utah
4. Unfinished Business / Scheduled Business
  - a. 2003 NW Zone Championships
    - i. Selection of host for the 2003 SCY championship
    - ii. Scheduling of the 2003 LCM championship (Oregon)
    - iii. Scheduling of the 2003 SCM championship (Pacific Northwest)
  - b. Revision of zone policy regarding limits on individual events at zone championships
  - c. Revision of zone policy regarding zone championships that are held in conjunction with the host LMSC's championship
  - d. Revision of LMSC board members contact information

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- e. Revision of Zone calendar of events
  5. New Business
    - a. Nomination / selection of a substitute zone representative for Feb. 2003 – Aug. 2003
    - b. Additional items of new business as addressed by the members.
  6. General announcements from members
  7. Adjournment
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## **OCEANA ZONE – Joan Alexander, Zone Rep** **Saturday, September 14<sup>th</sup>, 12:00-1:30 pm** **Meeting Room - UNIVERSE**

### **ANNUAL REPORT**

Oceana Zone has 2 LMSCs, Hawaii and Pacific, and as of June 18, 2002 has a combined registration of 8,678. Hawaii has reported 530 swimmers and 10 clubs and Pacific has 8,148 swimmers and 114 clubs. Hawaii hosted a very successful Short Course Nationals in May. 1108 swimmers were treated to wonderful weather, entertainment and a well-run meet. Janet reports that much enthusiasm was generated within the islands for more masters meets to be hosted by Hawaii LMSC. A goal has been set to have at least one meet per year on each of the islands, and the first will be on Oahu in November at the Oahu Club. Congratulations to Janet Renner and all who helped at this meet. Pacific LMSC has had a full swim calendar for 2002 and has had many National and World swim records this past year, and many swimmers with Top Times in all courses. Walnut Creek Masters hosted a very successful SCM Championship meet. Santa Cruz Masters hosted both Short Course and Long Course Championships with approximately 800+ swimmers attending each meet. Thanks and congratulations to Joel Wilson (Cruz) Kerry O'Brien (Walnut Creek) and all the supporting staff for well run meets. Pacific will be represented by 17 delegates plus 9 automatic delegates at the Dallas Convention.

One important item that Pacific passed is developing is the Mentor Coach Program. This program is under the Coaches Committee, and will be led by Kerry O'Brien, along with Brian Stack, Tim Sheeper, Thomas Huggins and Rick Powers and it will be in conjunction with the Fitness Committee under the leadership of Bill Grohe. The goal will be part of the Pacific Masters Swimming vision to continually strengthen the programs it serves through communication, education, and shared information. There will be a total of six 1-day opportunities for teams to send their coach to "shadow" a mentoring coach and gain experience during scheduled workouts.

### **AGENDA**

1. The Officials Chair will be discussing rule changes regarding the backstroke and Officials clinics.
2. Another Pacific topic will be on-line registration for Championship meets and open water swims.
3. Janet Renner will update the committee on the formulation of their new goals.
4. The update on the Coaches Mentor Program and Fitness Clinics combination.
5. Last on the agenda will be Ways to Rejuvenate participation in the LMSCs and bring in new members for leadership roles.

I will be open to any other issues the delegates wish to discuss.

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## **SOUTH CENTRAL ZONE – Sally Maddox, Zone Rep** **Saturday, September 14<sup>th</sup>, 12:00 – 1:30 pm** **Meeting Room – CONSTELLATION 2**

### **ANNUAL REPORT**

#### **Zone Meets:**

The South Central Zone's Short Course Yards Zone Championship Meet was held this year at the Josh Davis Natatorium in San Antonio, Texas. Over 250 + swimmers participated in this meet in the brand new facility. This was a fun, well run meet in a fast pool. Many zone records were broken.

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Our Long Course Zone Championship meet will be held August 3<sup>d</sup> and 4<sup>h</sup> at the Woodlands, Texas. This promises to be another great opportunity for fast swimming in a first rate pool. About 160 participants are expected. We are looking forward to the Woodlands.

## **Other Pool Competitions and Open Water events:**

The Arkansas LMSC hosted 3 very successful swim meets this year. A fourth, in Springdale, was cancelled the morning of the meet due to a surprise snow storm!

The Oklahoma LMSC had a meet in Claremore in May, and will have their 22<sup>nd</sup> Annual LC meet August 23<sup>rd</sup>-24<sup>th</sup> in Tulsa. This meet should be a lot of fun.

The Gulf LMSC has several meets that are becoming annual events. On December 2, 2001 the Gulf held the Jesse Coon Masters of Brazos SC Invitational Swim Meet. On February 2, 2002 the 18<sup>th</sup> annual Woodlands Masters Relay Swim Meet was held (non-sanctioned). The most recent Gulf meet was held on February 16, 2002. This was the Instant Masters Swim Meet, Just add H2O.

In the South Texas LMSC, the second annual Austin Power Cable Swim was held on May 4, offering ½, 1 and 2 mile Cable Swims in Lake Long outside of Austin. Next year this will be the National Championship 2 mile Cable Swim. In June, the second annual Texas State LC Championship meet was held at the Northside Aquatics Center in San Antonio. This was a fun, well run meet and a good opportunity to get ready for the Zone Championship. The South Texas LMSC planned an "Open Water Fiesta" for July 13<sup>th</sup> to be held in Canyon Lake. This event would have included an Open Water Stroke Clinic and Swims (1/2, 1.5 and 3 miles) plus a Mexican Dinner for all the participants. Unfortunately, flooding in early July forced the event to be cancelled.

## **Other News:**

Bud Jackson, age 83, of Ft. Smith, Arkansas was inducted into the Arkansas Swimming Hall of Fame in 2002. Bud holds many Zone Records and has won three gold and five silver and bronze medals at National Championships. He has been very active in the Arkansas Masters Swim Club and has devoted countless hours to community swimming programs. Congratulations, Bud!!

In June 2002 the South Texas LMSC sponsored a Booth at the Danskin Triathlon Expo. Almost 2000 female triathletes attended this expo and at least 300 stopped at the Booth and learned about Masters Swimming. This was a huge success and South Texas plans to do this again next year.

The Gulf LMSC has increased their membership this year by 23%. They developed the following programs to increase membership and recognition. The Gulf has started including a Coupon in race packets at triathlons and running races for a free swim team tryout. They will also have a "GMSC Swimmer of the year" for the first time in 2002. The Gulf is offering a "Gulf Workout Challenge"- log 50 workouts from June 1<sup>st</sup> to December 31<sup>st</sup> and receive a free T-shirt. Coach Emmett Hines has been conducting monthly Video Stroke Analyses.

## **AGENDA**

1. Roll Call and Approval of Agenda
2. Review and Adopt Minutes from 2001.
3. Announcements
4. LMSC Reports
5. Zone Meet Reports
6. Zone Meet Bids
7. Meet Schedule
8. Old Business
9. New Business
  - a. Election of Zone Rep
10. Adjournment

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**SOUTHWEST ZONE – Wayne McCauley, Zone Rep**  
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## Meeting Room - JUPITER

### ANNUAL REPORT

#### Membership

Southwest Zone has a very good year for membership and swim meets. At the 2001 USMS convention a fund was established for Southwest Zone to provide for awards for Zone meets. SPMA and Arizona forwarded 25 cents per registered swimmer; the SPMA treasurer is now keeping these funds in a separate section.

These zone funds initially are to be used to fund the first \$100 of Zone Championship Team awards. Southwest Zone has paid for it's own web URL at <http://www.southwestzone.org/> and is being hosted on the USMS server.

#### Pool Meets

Due to pool closures SPMA did not hold a short course championship meet for the first time in history. Arizona was host to the Southwest Zone Short Course Yards Championships and SPMA will host the Long Course Meters Championships and Short Course Meters Championships.

Arizona will be hosting the 2003 USMS Short Course National Championships May 2003. With a short drive away SPMA will be pushing for large attendance from our swimmers. In order to facilitate this we will be scheduling our SPMA Short Course Championship meet a full month before the national meet. SPMA will also bid this meet at convention to be the Southwest Zone meet. San Diego-Imperial and New Mexico are also expected to send larger numbers of swimmers to the 2003 Short Course National Championships.

The Ocean swimming schedule in Southwest Zone is actually larger than the pool meets, with over 26 ocean events scheduled. The USMS National Championship 5 mile Open Water Swim will be held this August 4th at La Jolla Bay, San Diego, CA.

#### Chairman

Southwest Zone LMSC chairman for 2001-2002 are as follows, Sam Perry - Arizona, Wayne McCauley - SPMA, Bill Early - San Diego Imperial, Garrick Snider - New Mexico.

Bill Earley died on July 4, 2002, during the Coronado 4th of July Rough Water Swim. Bill was the 1991 winner of SPMA's Jim Marcus award as the person who does the most for Masters Swimming. He was an imposing figure, a great American patriot, and was loved by all in our zone.

#### Conventions

The 2002 American Swimming Coaches Association World Clinic and Convention is being held within Southwest Zone this year, in Las Vegas, Nevada. Many coaches from Southwest Zone will be attending this educational clinic under sponsorship of USMS and SPMA.

The 2003 USMS Convention will be in San Diego. All Southwest Zone LMSC's will be supporting San Diego to make this convention the best yet.

#### Bill Early Remembered

Coronado Masters Association (CMA) voted on July 10 to establish a Bill Early Memorial Fund that will be used for a memorial plaque at the new Coronado Muni pool (a new pool is in the early planning stages now and will be built about two years from now). Those wishing to contribute can give or send a check to Dave Lamott made out to the "CMA Bill Early Fund." We will keep those funds segregated for the specific purposes of the designing and fabricating the plaque.

#### SEPTEMBER BILL EARLEY "ROAST" & REMEMBRANCE EVENT:

Mark your calendars and spread the word. CMA will be hosting a Bill Early roast on the weekend of Sept 21 or 28 (depending on the availability of the Roeder Pavilion). It is open to everyone and intended to be an evening of fun and humorous remembrances of Bill. CMA will provide food and beverages and asks that you bring hors

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d'oeuvre, dessert or salad. We will get more word out as planning progresses, but you may want to start searching for any old photos, memorabilia, and memories of events to help us remember our friend.

## AGENDA

1. Call to order, welcome all delegates new and old- Moment of Silence to Honor Bill Earley
2. Approve 2001 minutes
3. Zone representative report
4. Finance Report
5. Old Business
6. New Business
  - Support for Arizona Nationals 2003
  - Support for San Diego-Imperial 2003 Convention
  - Zone swim meets
  - Budget Items
7. Develop action items before adjournment
8. Adjournment

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## ZONE ELECTION COMMITTEE REPORT – Melissa Rinker

As of July 1, 2002, the Zone Election Committee has received only one declaration of candidacy, that being from the current Zone Chair, Lynn Hazelwood. Pursuant to Article 505.2.3 of the USMS Code of Regulations and Rules of Competition, the responsibilities of the Nominating Committee are assigned to the Zone Committee. Since the current Zone Chair is running for re-election, the undersigned was delegated the responsibilities of conducting the pre-election procedures and the election. Based upon the USMS Election Operating Guidelines, when a current officer is standing for re-election and there are no additional nominations either preceding the convention or from the floor, then the current officer standing for election shall be re-elected by acclamation. Also pursuant to the Election Operating Guidelines, a time shall be provided during the first meeting of the House of Delegates to make the report of the Nominating Committee, to accept nominations, if any, from the floor, as well as nominating and acceptance speeches if there is a contest. The candidate resume and photo will be included in the convention packet for Lynn Hazelwood as the only declared candidate preceding the convention.

## CANDIDATE QUESTIONNAIRE/CONSENT -TO-RUN

### SECTION ONE: Consent-to-Run

1. Name: Lynn Hazlewood
2. LMSC: Potomac Valley
3. Consent-to-Run: I, Lynn Hazlewood, am interested in running for the office of USMS:  
 Zone Chair

### SECTION TWO: Candidate Qualification

1. Please list the USMS National Conventions you have attended as a delegate:  
I have attended 13 National Conventions beginning with Portland, OR in 1989.
2. Please list USMS committees that you have served on. Include the dates you were on the committees and the names of the committee chairs you served under.  
Executive Committee (2000–2001 Nancy Ridout President, 2001–2002 Jim Miller President), Board of Directors (1998–2001 Nancy Ridout President, 2002 Jim Miller President), Zone Committee (1997-2000 Hugh Moore Chair, 2001-2002 Lynn Hazlewood Chair), Ad-Hoc Professional Management Committee (1998–2000 Hugh Moore Chair), Long Distance Committee (1990–1992 Rob Copeland Chair, 1993-

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2000 Sally Dillon Chair), Computer On-Line Committee (1998-2000 Jim Matysek Chair), Records & Tabulation Committee (1990-1991 Walt Reid Chair).

As a member of the Executive Committee, I am liaison to the following committees: Communications (2000-2002 Hugh Moore Chair), Planning (2001-2002 Betsy Durrant Chair), Long Distance (2000-2001 Sally Dillon Chair, 2001-2002 Peter Crumbine Chair). I am also member of the data base development project (2002 Jim Miller Chair).

## SECTION THREE: Issues

1. Why are you interested in this position and why do you believe you would be a good candidate?

I am the current Zone Chair and I wish to run for a second term of office. USMS is now in a very exciting time of change with a recently elected administration setting new directions and planning for the future. I want to continue to be a part of that process.

2. What do you consider to be the major issues facing USMS now and in the future. As a member of the USMS Executive Committee, how would you address these issues.

USMS is in a transition period as we go from a small to medium sized organization to an organization which is growing not only in membership, but in scope of activities. The major challenge facing us is to define the direction of that growth and to refine the organizational structure that will support it.

As a member of the Executive Committee, my special interest is in creating the technology infrastructure which will free us to build our organization. To that end, I am a part of a data base task force which will be defining a unified data base structure that includes at minimum registration, history and archives, records and top ten, and calendar of events.

Although the importance of our data bases is not always obvious, they are an integral part of running USMS and must be capable of being kept up to date. For example, we are generally limited in the flexibility of our membership policies by our aging registration programs. Innovations are difficult to implement and can be rejected out of hand, because we don't have the technology to support what we want to do. With a revised system, we can make decisions about membership policies based on what is best for USMS, not on what we can or cannot do.

3. Please list any other experience that relates to your qualifications for office.

I have worked for USMS on all levels for the past 13 years in leadership as well as worker bee positions. In addition, I have worked in the business world as a manager, educator and in customer relations. In my other volunteer work, I have had 20 years of teaching, organizing, and leadership experience. As a member of the Executive Committee since 2000, I am familiar with the issues facing USMS today and am currently working on some of the solutions.

4. Please write a short summary statement that will be posted on the display board with your picture at convention. If you choose, you may repeat (or point to) a paragraph from one of your other answers.

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## Resume for Lynn Hazlewood

### Personal Data

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### USMS Experience - National Level

- Executive Committee (2000-2002), Executive Committee Liaison to Communications (2000-2002), Long Distance (2000-2002), and Planning (2001-2002), Board of Directors (1998-2002), Zone Committee (Zone Rep 1997-2000), Zone Committee Chair 2000-2002), Ad-Hoc Professional Management Committee (1998-2000), Long Distance Committee (1990-2000), Computer On-Line Committee (1998-2000), Editor Calendar of Events (1994-2002), Convention Delegate (1989-2001), Records & Tabulations Committee (1990-1991), Convention Delegate (1989-2001)

### USMS Experience - Zone Level (Colonies Zone)

- Zone Representative (1997-2000), Co-webmaster (1999-2000), Newsletter Editor (1998-2000)

### USMS Experience - LMSC Level (Potomac Valley LMSC)

- Club Representative (1987-2002), Long Distance Chair (1998-2002), Sanctions Chair (1988-1996), PV Convention Delegate (1989-1993)

### USMS Experience - Club Level (Reston Masters Swim Team)

- Member since 1976, President (1987-1988), Past President on Board (1989-2002), Vice President (1985-1986, 1999-2000), Social Chair (1982), PVLMSCLiaison (1987-2002), Meet Director SCM Meet (1988-1997), Founder and Meet Organizer 2-Mile Lake Swim (1988-2002)

### Work Experience - Professional

- Computer Consultant, Business EDP Services, Tallahassee, FL (1975-1978)
- Systems Officer, Programming Manager, Systems Design & Programming, The Lewis State Bank, Tallahassee, FL (1970-1974)
- Sales Technical Representative, Burroughs Corporation, Philadelphia, PA (1968-1970)

### Work Experience - Volunteer

- USMS & Club Volunteer (1976-2002)
- Board of Directors, Generation Townhouse Cluster Association, Reston, VA (1998-2000)
- Puppy & Basic Obedience Instructor, Capital Dog Training Club, Silver Spring, MD (1992-1998)
- Dog Show Steward (1998-2000)
- Phone Counselor, Crohn's & Colitis Foundation (1983-1988)
- Board of Directors, Northern Virginia Symphony (1983-1984)

### Education - College & Other

- University of Pennsylvania, B.A. in Political Science 1968
- Northern Virginia Community College, Music Theory & Multi-Channel Recording (1976-1983)
- Classical Guitar Student (1976-1988)
- Training in Psychotherapy using Transactional Analysis, Tallahassee, FL (1975-1976)

### Interests

- Swimming, Yoga, Weight Training, Guitar, Photography, Dog Training (Breed, Obedience, Agility)

## USMS COMMITTEE REPORTS

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