

Calverton Swim Club Newsletter March 2008



Message from the President—Nikki Munro

Dear Members,

Soon it will be time to say goodbye to the winter blahs and welcome another fun and fantastic summer at the Calverton Swim Club (the pool). Since this is my first president's letter, I thought I would reflect on my many summers past and how I've come to appreciate the pool for the special part it has played in my life and the lives of so many others who have passed through its gates.

I've been a member of the pool for 30+ summers. My journey began in the baby pool with my parents and a couple of friends. Over the years, I took swimming lessons, got my patch, and joined the swim team. As a lifeguard, then assistant manager, I spent 9 years working at the pool. I rejoined the pool as an associate member after college and then bought a membership when I got married. As a family, we've played volleyball, gone to crab feasts, and spent many a Labor Day tearing as the pool closed for the season.

During the past four summers, I've found myself back in the baby pool watching my children play with the children of the same friends that I had many years ago. I smile as I watch them enjoy the very thing that brought so much joy to my life. This is what the pool is all about.

Like many others, I've found myself drawn to the family and friends I know at the pool. Being a member of the pool means you have a place to

see old friends and new, a place that's clean and safe for you to enjoy your children, enjoy the outdoors, and enjoy each other. The Calverton pool has always been and always will be a place to grow and have fun.

Enough nostalgia – we have an exciting summer coming up. Please join us for our first pool event – a board sponsored adult only volunteer day – April 19. Donate your time to help us continue to keep the pool a comfortable and inviting place to be.

Summer officially begins on May 24, so stop by and pick up your passes early. Keep your eye out for new social events, including a pig roast and a poker night. Thanks to Charlie Pugh, please see our website for event information, swim and dive team meets, volleyball and horseshoe schedules, and other great things happening at the pool.

We look forward to summer and seeing you at the pool.

Very truly yours,

Nikki Munro

President, Calverton Swim Club

MARK YOUR CALENDARS - CALVERTON SWIM CLUB VOLUNTEER DAY SATURDAY, APRIL 19 - 11 AM-5 PM

The Board of Directors will sponsor a Volunteer Day on April 19, from 11 AM until 5 PM, at the pool. We hope that adult members will turn out in good numbers to lend a hand and help get the pool ready for the summer season. We are working on a list of projects, which will include repairs to several picnic tables, extending the length of the volleyball net supports, sprucing up the playgrounds and horseshoe pits, and overall beautifying our favorite summertime place of recreation.

We will update the projects list on the website (www.CalvertonSwimClub.com). Please join us on April 19 (rain date April 20). We look forward to seeing you.

Checkout our website at
www.calvertonswimclub.com

Swim and Dive Teams Signups
Sunday, April 27, 10AM-12PM at
the pool.

General Membership Meetings:

Regular meetings of the members of Calverton Swim Club are held twice yearly. These meetings keep the members informed of the activities at the club and serve as a means for members to inform the Board of suggestions or concerns for the improvement of the club for the betterment of the entire membership. The general membership meetings for 2008 are Sunday, June 22 and Sunday, August 31 at 6PM.

CSC Social Report Dates to Remember

Pool Opens - May 24
Opening Pig Roast - June 14
Float Nights - June 16, July 14,
August 11
Preteen Nights - June 12,
July 17, August 21
Teen Nights - June 21, July 19
Family Camp Out - June 28
Adult Poker Night w/ DJ - July
12
Crab Feast - August 23
Family Fun Day - September 1

Noodle Nights - Bring your Noodle to the Pool, dates to be determined

Vacancy on the Board:

The Calverton Swim Club Board of Directors will have a vacancy before the pool opens. According to the by-laws, the President must recommend a replacement board member to be confirmed by the Board. If you are interested in joining the Board of Directors, please contact Nikki Munro at 301-572-2474.

CALVERTON SWIM CLUB IS ASKING: DO YOU HAVE ANY FRIENDS WHO ARE INTERESTED IN JOINING THE CALVERTON SWIM CLUB FAMILY?

We are sponsoring a summer 2008 promotion for all Calverton Swim Club members: Recruit a friend to join as a member and you'll receive two sheets of free passes (forty dollar value!!) For more information, please call Rose Melendez at 301-483-6775

CSC Volleyball

Once again this summer we will have adult leagues ages 14+ in the following formats: co-ed 4's Wednesday nights- commissioner Kevin Morris; women's 6's Friday nights- co-commissioners Kathleen Morris & Karen Pugh; men's 6's Saturday afternoons- commissioner Bob Emmons and coed 6's Sunday afternoons- commissioner Brian Munro. Our overall volleyball coordinator is Jeff Paniati.

We are hoping to offer a few youth clinics with dates and times to be announced. Anyone interested in league play may send a note to membership@calvertonswimclub.com and your email will be directed accordingly. Looking forward to seeing you on the courts this summer.

CSC Dive Team Update

The Calverton Swim Club Dive Team is looking forward to another great season in 2008. Seven Calverton divers competed in the 2007 MCDL All Stars and we are hoping for even more this season. Calverton is the number one seed in Division IV in 2008 and we are excited to have Coach Stacie Leith and Assistant Coach James Barnett return to lead the team. Registration and suit fittings are tentatively scheduled for April 27 at the pool along with the CSC Swim Team. The first Team Meeting of the season is tentatively scheduled for May 26 at 4:30. For more information on the dive team, please contact the team rep, Scott Grady at 301-989-0105 or scott.grady1@verizon.net

Swim Team News

The swim team begins the summer of 2008 ranked second in Division H. We encourage structured, friendly team competition, while emphasizing good sportsmanship and teamwork.

This year, Pre-season sign-ups will be held on Sunday, April 27, 10AM to 12PM at the pool. Just like in the past, we need more than just the "swimmers", we need all parents to help make the season a success. Contact David Clifford at (240) 793-2372 or Jerry Carpenter at (202) 253-9836 for more information.

Chargers 2008 "A" Meet Schedule

June 14 Calverton @ Inverness Forest

June 21 Calverton @ Mohican

June 28 Chevy Chase Recreation @ Calverton

July 5 Garrett Park @ Calverton

July 12 Calverton @ Little Falls

July 19 Divisionals @ TBD

2008 BUDGET APPROVED - NO INCREASE IN DUES OR GUEST FEES.

On February 21, 2008, the Board of Directors gave final approval to the 2008 Operating Budget, which totaled \$276,275. This budget is slightly lower than the 2007 budget (\$289,861), but did not include any major facility enhancements. Last year, we replaced the large playground equipment.

This year's budget calls for the same dues that members paid last year - \$395 for full dues, and \$355 if dues payments are post marked before April 25, 2008.

Also, guest fees will remain the same - \$4.00 per person on weekdays, and \$6.00 on weekends. The best value is still a multi visit sheet of guest passes, which will still only cost \$20.00. These passes can be used for up to eight weekday visits, or four weekend visits, or a combination of both, all at significant savings.

The Board kept spending down as much as we could this year, with large expenses including resurfacing of the wading pool, the replacement of one life guard stand, and a new exhaust hood system in the Snack Bar to comply with insurance requirements. Since the federal minimum wage will increase in July, a new staff pay scale was approved, giving an average salary increase of about 7.7% to the managers and guards.

Copies of the budget will be available at the Swim Club's General Membership meeting on June 22.

Board Members:

Nikki Munro - President, co-chair Operations/Engineering Committee

Duncan Munro - Treasurer, Operations/Engineering Committee, liaison to APS and MCSC

Karen Pugh - Assistant Treasurer, Membership Committee, Social Committee

Sandy Berberich - Secretary, co-chair Membership Committee

Rose Melendez - First Vice-President, co-chair Membership Committee

Kari Banks - Assistant Secretary, Swim and Dive Teams Liaison, Membership Committee, Newsletter

Frank Cockrell - Operations/Engineering Committee

John Niedermair - co-chair Operations/Engineering Committee