



Colony Creek Mariners

May 16, 2017

President's Corner

I wanted to take a moment and discuss invitational meets. This was a topic I covered at the parent meeting.

In addition to our regular schedule there are invitational meets that are held during the season and after the season. The Mariner board has chosen Summer Thunder, Pentathlon, All Stars and Ponderosa as the meets we will participate in.

The posted results at our dual meets will indicate if your swimmer has qualified for the invitational meets. Also at the end of the meet, we will post the qualifiers on our website. If your swimmer qualifies and you are available to attend, you will need to pay \$6 per event by the announced deadline to cover your swimmer and any relays they will be put in. To get more details on all of these meets, go to www.nwal.org.

Remember that the board members are typically in white shirts and you can ask any of us for further details.

Michele Miller
832-326-6275
BHGRE Gary Greene

Meet Information

This Saturday our meet is against the Winchester Hurricanes at the Colony Creek Pool. Please arrive and be checked in by 7:00am. Our warmups will be from 7:15 – 7:45 with our team meeting immediately following. **If you are a volunteer for that day, make sure you check in with Kim Hamilton so you can receive credit for your volunteer hours.**

Upcoming Events

May 20th
Dual Meet

vs.

Winchester Hurricanes
@Colony Creek Pool

If you are not going to be able to be at the meet, please let the coaches know ASAP.

May 22nd

Mariners Spirit Day @
Fuddruckers
7724 Louetta Rd

You can go anytime during the day or evening. Just remember to drop your receipt in the basket by the registers for the Mariners!!!

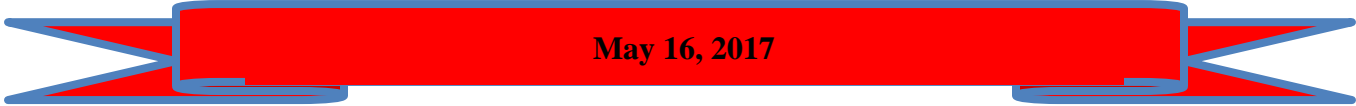
Please visit our website at:

colonycreek.swim-team.us

Here you will find our calendar of events, swim practice schedule and other valuable information.



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Coaches Corner

Way to Go Mariners!!

Even though we did not win, we showed up and rocked some awesome times.

Some of you dropped over two minutes off your races with improvements in times all the way up to the 15 - 18's.

We love watching you swim and it's a privilege to be your coaches.

You show us what hard work is and not afraid to do your best.

As we work into the season, we are certainly working on the NEW strokes with your kids and want them to be encouraged at practice so they are not discouraged at the meet.

Thanks again for trusting us with your child, making them pool safe and helping them enjoy the sport of swimming.

Our next meet is against the Winchester Hurricanes at HOME.

Please be at pool and CHECKED in by 7 am. We will have 1st warm ups at 7:15 am.

Coach Kathy

Volunteer Information

Please make sure you are checking the spreadsheet when it comes out to look for your name and where you are signed up. If you haven't signed up for anything, please see if you can fill in where there are needs.

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Volunteer grant programs are corporate giving programs created to encourage volunteerism in communities where employees live and work.

Volunteer Grants come in two forms:

1. A set monetary donation for every hour an employee volunteers
2. A set grant amount once employees reach certain thresholds

For example, ExxonMobil awards a \$500 grant to a nonprofit once a team of five or more eligible participants volunteer for a combined total of at least 20 hours or an individual completes 20 hours.

Then Employees/volunteers log their hours and request the volunteer grant electronically at <https://www.easymatch.com/exxonmobil/>.

Here is a list of other companies that offer volunteer grant programs: Aetna, Outerwall (Coinstar/Redbox), Verizon, ConocoPhillips, Microsoft, Dell, RealNetworks, Time Warner, Allstate and BP found at [doublethedonation.com](http://doublethedonation.com) Once you click on a company if you scroll 2/3 down the page there is a link to "Search another company" and to see if your company offers a similar program as well as the link to submit for the grant to nonprofit organizations.



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## MARINERS SWIM TEAM



| PRICE  | ITEM                   |
|--------|------------------------|
| \$2.00 | Breakfast Taco         |
| \$1.00 | (2) Glazed Donuts      |
| \$2.00 | (2) Pancakes (2) Bacon |
| \$2.00 | Coffee - Free Refills  |
| \$1.00 | Muffin                 |
| \$6.00 | Hamburger 8oz          |
| \$6.00 | Chicken 6oz            |
| \$3.00 | Hotdog                 |
| \$2.00 | Kiobassa Sausage       |
| \$1.00 | Chips                  |
| \$3.00 | Nachos & Cheese        |
| \$1.00 | Pickles                |
| \$1.00 | Candy                  |
| \$3.00 | Heat Sheets            |
| \$1.00 | Bottled Water          |
| \$1.00 | Gatorade               |
| \$1.00 | Soda                   |



\*1 additional charge for credit card transaction

### Special Announcements

Saturday of Memorial Day weekend the Mariners have an away meet...

Let the Boy Scouts do the cooking for your picnic or family get together!

Memorial Day Smoked Pork Sale  
Boy Scout Troop 1324 - St. Ignatius Loyola  
May 27-28

St. Louis Style Ribs and Pork Shoulder

Troop 1324 smoking techniques have been developed from award winning teams with some of the highest quality results you will find in all of Houston!

This helps our Scouts go to camp, but please make your order knowing you will receive top quality meat to enjoy with your family and friends.

An entrée you will be proud to serve, if you even want to share!

Full rack of Ribs \$20

Shoulder by the pound starting at \$8 (more you buy, the better the deal!)

Order online - [www.Troop1324.org](http://www.Troop1324.org)

Troop 1324 is well represented in the Mariner family!

Please follow us on Facebook at: **Mariners Swim Team**