

THE WAVE

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SPECIAL POINT OF INTEREST:

YOUR FAMILY ACCOUNT BILLS WILL BE SENT HOME IN THE UPCOMING DAYS.

NOTE THAT WITH A TEAM THIS SIZE, OVER-SITES ARE POSSIBLE.

PLEASE DO NOT HESITATE TO CONTACT OUR BILLING COORDINATOR AARON MASCHMAN AT ANY TIME AT: BILLING @WHEATONSWIMMING.COM

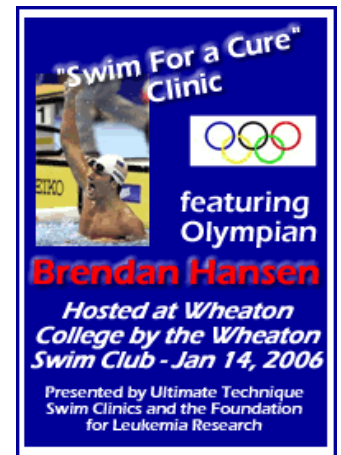
SWIM FOR A CURE—BRENDAN HANSEN CLINIC

The Wheaton Swim Club is pleased to announce that Olympic Gold Medalist Brendan Hansen will be coming to Wheaton College to present an interactive Swim Clinic. This exciting event will be held January 14, 2006, and registration is currently open to Wheaton Swim Club Members. Proceeds go directly to the Leukemia Research Foundation!

Swimmers will have the chance to get autographs, get hands-on instruction from Brendan, and listen to lectures. Registrations are limited to 200 swimmers,

will be taken on a first come first serve basis, and will be open to the general public beginning Dec 3, so act fast!

Brendan, who is an Olympic Gold Medalist and the fastest breast-stroker in history said, "When I was these swimmer's age, I would have done anything to meet an Olympic Champion, hold their medal and listen to their advice. I have been blessed and I want to share my experiences with as many swimmers as possible." Brendan also serves as a national spokesman for the Leukemia Re-



search Foundation, a Glenview, Illinois-based organization that provides research grants to scientists and researchers worldwide searching for a cure for leukemia, lymphoma and other blood-related cancers.

FUNDRAISING UPDATE—SCRIPS IMPROVEMENTS

To the families who recently placed Scrip Advantage orders, our apologies for any inconvenience this may have caused with the backorders. Our first season with this organization worked like clockwork. Unfortunately, this was not the case this year.

Therefore, we will be work-

ing with a different Scrip organization that has assured us we will not encounter the same difficulties that we have been experiencing. Note that the Shopping List has changed, and the old shop-

ping lists should no longer be used. For more information about Scrips, please check out our website or contact Bob Strube at bob@wheatonswimming.com.

United Scrips Company

SWIM A THON INFORMATION



The team will conduct its second annual USA Swimming sponsored Swim-A-Thon on January 14, 2006. This is the same day as the Brendan Hansen Clinic, and will take place in the morning immediately prior to the Clinic.

Last year the Swim-A-Thon was one of the major ways that swimmers raised funds for their Fundraising Accounts.

Forms will be available very soon to start taking pledges for the Swim-A-Thon.

What is a Swim-A-Thon?

Swim-a-Thon^â is a fundraiser in which participants earn money for their team by swimming lengths of the pool. Swimmers have a two-hour period to swim a maximum of 200 lengths. Participants get pledges from businesses, family, neighbors, etc. prior to

swimming. Some choose to get pledges and money prior to swimming while others get pledges per length and collect the money following the Swim-a-Thon^â. Swim-a-Thon^â is the **only** pledge for length swimming program recognized by USA Swimming and USA Swimming insurance.

Dates & Times

Sat, Jan 14, 2006
Wheaton College
9-11:00 a.m.

More Info

Check out our website or contact coach Bob.



Swim-A-Thon

Jan 14, 2006

Scripts Orders Taken

Nov 28-30

Dec 5-7

Jan 2-4

Fundraising Account

Balances Due

Jan 24, 2006

FUNDRAISING INFORMATION

We ask most swimmers and families on the Wheaton Swim Club to participate in fundraising throughout the year. The money raised through fundraising goes to many different places.

Where does the money go? Some of the money goes to operating costs of the team. Some money goes to charities (as with the Brendan Hansen clinic). Some of the money goes directly back to swimmers. For example, the team will purchase caps, t-shirts, trophies, and plaques throughout the year for the athletes.

We ask families to par-

ticipate at the following levels:

National, 12 & Under National, Pre-National, Gold: \$150 per family.
Silver and Bronze: \$100 per family.
Bronze, Blue, Senior: \$50 per family.

Your commitment level is based on the swimmer in your family in the highest group.

How else can I fund-raise?

The swim team periodically host swim meets and will create several publications associated with those meets (heat sheets, psyche sheets, banners, etc). Any ad you purchase in one of these meets for your

business or family will count towards your requirement. Exact prices for ads can be found online. Additionally you can place an ad on our website or in our periodic team newsletter.

What if I raise more than my commitment?

Any money you raise beyond your commitment in ads or swim-a-thon will go directly to your team fees. Any money raised beyond your commitment in Scripts will be split 50-50 with the team. By using scripts, you can pay for your whole season of swimming simply by doing the shopping you already do.



Did you know?

The team has a booster club which runs activities such as our basket raffle. The booster club decides how to spend the proceeds