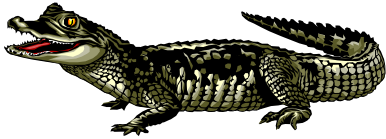


Gator News

The newsletter for the Arlington Alligators
October 16, 2002



Inspiration
Swimmers are like
teabags; you
don't know their
strength until
you put them in
water.

Fund Raiser

We have several fundraisers going on right now. Read on to find out how you can make a difference for the Alligators.

Gold "C"

Entertainment Books are \$10.00 to purchase. There is \$60.00 of Dominick's coupons inside. That alone pays for itself. However, in addition you can apply \$4.00 towards your fundraising goal. Contact Eugene Waskowski for more information.

Magazine Sale Are you looking for some new reading

material? Our Magazine Sale ends on October 23rd, all orders must be in by then. Please see Mary Ann Grady for packets and information. 40% of the sale goes towards your Fund Raising goal.



Meets

Our meet against TSA was a great success. We had several first time participants and several "old-timers". Every participant recorded a best time. Participants included: Brent C., Jaclyn C., Maureen D., Scott D., Ana H., Alyssa M., Bridget N., Katie N., Julie P., Angela A., Ian R., Jeffery R., Nick S., Madeline W., and Mary Clare Z.

Fun was had by all who attended.

Our New Trier Meet was held on October 11th. Several participants showed up for best times. These participants included: Brent C., Jaclyn C., Matt C., Kendall H., Stephanie N., Molly N., Bob P., Jim P., Angela R., Erin R., Jeffery R., Rebecca R., Alex S., Laura W., Sam W., Madeline W., and Steven Z.

Congratulations to all our meet participants.



Upcoming Events

Mark your calendars for our Halloween Pool Party on October 30 at 6 pm at Viator's High School. If anyone is willing to bring

snacks, please
leave a message on
the hotline (847-
749-4900).



Birthdays

10/15 Stephanie
Nolan
10/23 Elizabeth
Anderson



Mark your calendar
for **our Alligator
meet** on November 23
&24th. We need you,
parents, to
volunteer for the
many duties that
day. Details will
be coming. Meet
scheduling,
locations and time
will also be
available on the
web site.



Coaches

Who are your
coaches this year?
Last time we talked
about Mary Ruffin,
Adam Clementi and
Anne Warner. This
issue we meet
**Vanessa Tofilon and
Cari Cusinato.**

Cari and Vanessa
are our returning
veteran staff.
Vanessa began
swimming in grade
school with her
local neighborhood
swim team. She
swam 4 years of
high school
swimming and swam
intramurals in
college at the
University of
Texas. She began
her coaching career
in Lewisville, TX.
She began coaching
with the Alligators
in the fall of 2001
and has been with
us every since.
Vanessa is a kind
and knowledgeable
coach. After a long
week, working Fri
and then Sat am is
a challenge, but
she always walks in
with a smile. She
currently lives in
Palatine with her
husband and works
at Hewitt.

Cari Cusinato

started with the
Alligators in 1999,
took a break and
came back in the
summer of 2001.
She swam
competitively in
High School at Lane
Tech and has been
coaching and
teaching swimming
since 1998. She
and her husband
Mike, and their dog
Abby live in
Palatine, but are
planning a move in
early December to
Port Barrington.
Cari really enjoys
working with
swimmers of all
ages, but really
has a passion for
the masters group.
Cari offers a great
deal of enthusiasm
and is a strong
supporter of all
our athletes. Our
masters team can
even help train her
once in a while!

Practice Times

Please check our
Website,
[www.arlingtonalliga
tors.org](http://www.arlingtonalligators.org) for the

most up-to-date
information on
practice times and
locations.

their required
training equipment
to their lanes.

Attn: Parents

Our next parent
meeting is November
16th at 6pm at St.
Viator's High
School. This is a
mandatory meeting
for all parents.
We will be
discussion the
Arlington
Alligators meet.
You will have the
opportunity to sign
up for the job of
your choice.



Poinsettia' s Sale

Christmas Time
Poinsettia Sale is
coming. Keep
watching for more
information.

REMINDER

All **Gold and Xtreme**
Gators must bring