

SLIPPERY ROCK EELS SWIM MARATHON

DATE: Saturday, December 5, 2009

WHERE: SRU Morrow Field House pool

The Swim Marathon is our only organized fundraiser. Like a walk-a-thon, the swimmers collect pledges from family, neighbors or friends for the pool lengths that they will swim. These pledges are usually 5¢ -10¢ per length of the pool (25 yards). Most people in the community have no idea that our swimmers can swim such great distances, so we recommend that the swimmers set a goal for the number of lengths they want to achieve and let the sponsors know this goal. Example: Beginner swimmer swims 100 laps x .10 each = \$10. Many parents (and sponsors) are amazed when they see how far and long their children can swim!

The event offers a challenge to our swimmers. It is a test of the swimmers conditioning and endurance. They are always excited to share their accomplishments with friends and family. For advanced swimmers the goal is 2 hours or 200 lengths of the pool, whichever comes first. The intermediate swimmers can usually swim about 125 lengths and the beginners often complete nearly 100 lengths.

HOW IT WORKS: The Marathon is our #1 team fundraiser. **IT IS A REQUIRED EVENT FOR ALL SWIMMERS ON OUR TEAM.** We will also need parent volunteers to act as counters for the lengths and to provide snacks for the pizza party afterwards. Swimmers will be awarded an Eels t-shirt by **completing ALL 3** of the following*;

1. Swim in the Marathon.
 2. Complete the T-Shirt order form and turn it in on the day of the marathon.
 3. Raise a minimum of \$40.00 per swimmer (\$60.00 per family with multiple swimmers) and turn the money in no later than January 8, 2010.
- * If you choose to only pay the \$40 minimum and not swim in the marathon you will not receive a t-shirt.

CHECKS MUST BE MADE PAYABLE TO THE SLIPPERY ROCK EELS. Please turn money in to Maribeth Harmon. (DO NOT leave cash in folders in the ARC!)

- Prizes will be awarded for most laps in an age group and for most money raised!
- Swimmers may use the restrooms and get out to rest during the marathon if needed.
- We ask that each swimmer bring a water bottle with their name on it.

REMEMBER: You **MUST** bring your pledge sheets to the Marathon! We will fill out the number of lengths each swimmer completed. After the marathon, swimmers will take their pledge sheets back to their sponsors to collect the pledge money.

Slippery Rock Eels Team Swim-A-Thon

Please make checks payable to Slippery Rock Eels – Money is due January 8, 2010

Swimmer:	# of 25 yard laps completed:
Age:	Lap goal:

	Name	Address	Phone	Pledge (flat amount)	Pledge (per lap)	Total Due	Paid
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