

## PRESS RELEASE 1/8/2014

**EVENT:** **Thirty First Annual Southwest Ohio High School Swimming & Diving Classic**

**DATES:** January 18 and 19, 2014

**PLACE:** Diving - Prelims: Miami University, Mason Community Center, Milford High School, and Trotwood-Madison High School  
 Finals: University of Cincinnati  
 Swimming - Prelims: Countryside YMCA, Dayton Raider Aquatic Center (DRAC), Miami University, Mason High School, Milford High School, Trotwood-Madison High School, West Carrollton YMCA  
 Finals: Keating Natatorium, St. Xavier High School

**TIMES:** Diving - Prelims: 1/18/2014 1:00 pm tentative  
 Finals: 1/19/2014 7:30 am warm-ups & 9:00 am competition  
 Swimming - Prelims: 1/18 & 1/19/2014 8:00 am competition  
 Finals: 1/18 & 1/19/2014 5:30 pm warm-ups & 6:30 pm competition

**INFORMATION:** 2014 marks the 31st anniversary for the Southwest Classic which remains the largest invitational of its kind in the United States. Thirty one years ago the preliminaries and finals took place at one location, Keating Natatorium at St. Xavier High School. This meet has now grown so large there are 8 preliminary sites. West Carrollton YMCA has been added as the newest preliminary site. Approximately 115 schools entering over 3000 swimmers and 150 divers are expected to participate in this year's Classic. The Classic is unusual because the swimmers compete not only in high school events but also the longer NCAA and USA Swimming events. The Southwest Ohio Swimming Officials Association (SWOSOA) continues to sponsor this meet. Through meet proceeds, donations and sponsor advertising, SWOSOA has established an athlete scholarship fund and for the fourteenth year will be offering six \$750 scholarships to three senior boys and three senior girls this year. Sean Sargent (Mason), Curtis Robertson (Oak Hills), Joshua Brooks (Centerville), Kendra Crew (Shawnee), Darla House (Lakota West), Erica Yoder (Kings) were last year's recipients.

St. Xavier will be trying for its 31st straight boys' team title. Names to watch in this year's Classic are:

**Swimming –**

Name	School
Hassler Carroll	<i>Anderson</i>
Henrik Pohlmann	<i>Beavercreek</i>
Nathaniel Lowry	<i>Centerville</i>
Steven Quarin	<i>Centerville</i>
Jackson Higgins	<i>Dayton Oakwood</i>
Andrew Krueger	<i>Dayton Oakwood</i>
Patrick Mulcare	<i>Dayton Oakwood</i>
Brock Turner	<i>Dayton Oakwood</i>
Wending Zhu	<i>Dayton Oakwood</i>
Ross Westrick	<i>Fairfield</i>
Noah Brackenburg	<i>Indian Hill</i>
Jack Dowling	<i>Indian Hill</i>
Sam Vester	<i>Indian Hill</i>
Tom Golba	<i>Kettering Alter</i>
Joe Warner	<i>Kettering Fairmont</i>
Matthew McDonald	<i>Lakota East</i>
Jack German	<i>Little Miami</i>
Jack Mantkowski	<i>Madeira</i>
Mac Lewis	<i>Mariemont</i>
Sam McManus	<i>Mariemont</i>
Mark Andrew	<i>Middleton</i>

Name	School
Kevin George	<i>Moeller</i>
Greg Nymberg	<i>Moeller</i>
Noah Worobetz	<i>Moeller</i>
Matthew Marquardt	<i>Seven Hills</i>
Mitchell Fry	<i>St. Xavier</i>
Ian Jones	<i>St. Xavier</i>
Mike Montague	<i>St. Xavier</i>
Kevin Mosko	<i>St. Xavier</i>
Matt Slabe	<i>St. Xavier</i>
Matt Pettit	<i>Springfield Catholic Central</i>
Justin Crew	<i>Springfield Shawnee</i>
Josh Crowder	<i>Talawanda</i>
Scott Richmond	<i>Talawanda</i>
Elias Jay Bell	<i>Tipp City Tippecanoe</i>
Mike Norton	<i>Turpin</i>
Tommy Cope	<i>Vandalia Butler</i>
Mitchel Stover	<i>Versailles</i>
Stephen Barrett	<i>Wyoming</i>
Max Chou	<i>Wyoming</i>
Jonathan Rutter	<i>Wyoming</i>

**Diving –**

Noah Hickey	<i>Centerville</i>
Mitch Goda	<i>Elder</i>
Trent Hagenbuch	<i>Kettering Alter</i>
Kenny Bottom	<i>Mariemont</i>
Charles Schooler	<i>Mariemont</i>

Phillip Lunt	<i>Fairfield Cincinnati Christian</i>
Cameron Spicer	<i>Loveland</i>
Drew Fitzgerald	<i>St. Xavier</i>
John Paul	<i>St. Xavier</i>
Matt Weber	<i>St. Xavier</i>

Ursuline Academy will be trying for their 4th consecutive girl's title. Names to watch for the girls in this year's Classic are:

**Swimming –**

Name	School
Maddie Eckley	Centerville
Grace Hoffman	Centerville
Emma King	Centerville
Allie Wooden	Cincinnati Country Day
Kendall Hart	Cincinnati Hills Christian
Morgan Massie	Dayton Carroll
Cassidy Fry	Dayton Oakwood
Noelle Kipp	Dayton Oakwood
Sydney Lofquist	Dayton Oakwood
Anna Lynch	Dayton Oakwood
Caroline Lynch	Dayton Oakwood
Ally Mayhew	Dayton Oakwood
Lydia Pocisk	Dayton Oakwood
Katie Sickinger	Dayton Oakwood
Elizabeth Drerup	Indian Hills
Devin Landstra	Indian Hills
Grace Stimson	Indian Hills
Sarah Vester	Indian Hills
Casey Frazier	Lakota West
Claire Golba	Kettering Alter
Michelle Prayson	Kettering Alter
Casey Frazier	Lakota West

Name	School
Allison Dicke	Madeira
Leah Dupre	Mariemont
Katie Gaburo	Mariemont
Claire Gilmore	Mariemont
Gabby Marinelli	Mason
Maureen Sullivan	Mason
Zoe Thatcher	Mason
Elizabeth Troy	Mason
Ragen Engel	Springfield Catholic Central
Madelyn Shaffer	Springfield
Marianne Kahmann	Springboro
Hannah Whiteley	Springboro
Cara Norris	Sycamore
Marissa Delgado	St. Ursula
Katie Kerr	St. Ursula
Molly Zilch	St. Ursula
Michelle Zelnick	Troy
Shaylynn Spelman	Turpin
Alisabeth Marsteller	Ursuline
Emily Slabe	Ursuline
Temarie Tomley	Ursuline
Madeline Schaffer	Wilmington

**Diving –**

Hannah Collins	Bellbrook
Katie Polk	Centerville
Katerine Arnold	Indian Hills
Cassie Wegryn	Indian Hills
Abbey McConnell	Lakota East

Mackenzie McNeil	Mariemont
Madison LeMay	Mariemont
Sydney Carr	Mason
Allison Brophy	Summit Country Day
Andrianna DiMasso	Sycamore

The meet draws many college coaches who come to look over the area swimmers. It will be taped for cablecast as has been done in past years. A video feed is available from the Waycross Community Television truck. Also, check out the Classic's Web site at [www.swimmeet.com](http://www.swimmeet.com) for real-time information about the meet, swimmers, entry times, and results of preliminaries and finals.

**HISTORY:**

Dave Gordon, a member of the Officials Association, started the Classic in 1984.

PARTICIPATION OVER THE LAST 5 YEARS					
Year	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013
No. Schools	102	111	118	115	108
No. Swimmers	2915	3017	3069	2984	2942
No. Divers	177	176	150	142	157

TEAM WINNERS & RUNNERS-UP FOR LAST 5 YEARS				
Year	Boys	Points	Girls	Points
2009	St. Xavier	465	Mason	463
	Moeller	379	Centerville	411
2010	St. Xavier	560	Mason	436
	Centerville	355	Centerville	352
2011	St. Xavier	665	Ursuline	419
	Centerville	375	Mason	367
2012	St. Xavier	574	Ursuline	460
	Centerville	372	Mason	338
2013	St. Xavier	610	Ursuline	443
	Dayton Oakwood	320	Dayton Oakwood	323

The Southwest District has earned the right to be called "The District of Champions." It has produced some of the top swimmers in the state. Last year was no exception. In Boys Division I, St. Xavier finished 1st in the State while Centerville finished 5<sup>th</sup>, Moeller 8<sup>th</sup>, & Sycamore 9<sup>th</sup>. Thirty four (34) boys from this area finished in the top ten in their events. Southwest boys won 2 of the 12 individual & relay events. For Division II, Dayton Oakwood boys took 1st at State while Wyoming finished 8<sup>th</sup>. Thirty five (35) boys from this area finished in the top ten in their events. Southwest boys won 6 of the 12 individual & relay events.

In girls competition, Ursuline finished 1<sup>st</sup> in the State for Division I while Mason finished 3<sup>rd</sup>, Centerville 9<sup>th</sup>, & St Ursula 10<sup>th</sup>. Thirty three (33) girls from this area finished in the top 10 in their events. Southwest girls won 5 of the 12 individual & relay events. For Division II, Dayton Oakwood finished 2<sup>nd</sup> while Indian Hill finished 3<sup>rd</sup> and Mariemont 5<sup>th</sup>. Thirty four (34) girls from this area finished in the top 10 in their events. Southwest girls won 2 of the 12 individual & relay events.

The Ohio High School State Meet Swimming and Diving Records show how strong Southwest District swimmers have been over the years. Southwest District swimmers and divers hold 15 of the 36 meet records (6 in Boys Div. I events, 4 in Boys Div. 2 events, 3 in Girls Div. I events, & 2 in Girls Div. II events). These names have been and will be prominent in college and world competition.

**OHIO HIGH SCHOOL STATE TOURNAMENT RECORDS HELD**

EVENT	NAME	SCHOOL	YEAR
<b>BOYS (Division I)</b>			
200 YD Medley Relay	St. Xavier	St. Xavier	2000
50 YD Freestyle	Joe Hudepohl	St. Xavier	1992
100 YD Freestyle	Joe Hudepohl	St. Xavier	1992
200 YD Freestyle	Joe Hudepohl	St. Xavier	1991
500 YD Freestyle	David Mosko	St. Xavier	2007
100 YD Backstroke	Jayne Cramer	St. Xavier	2001
<b>BOYS (Division II)</b>			
200 YD Individual Medley	Mack Rice	Indian Hill	2012
500 YD Freestyle	Brock Turner	Dayton Oakwood	2012
100 YD Backstroke	Josh Quallen	Wilmington	2013
100 YD Butterfly	Josh Quallen	Wilmington	2013
<b>GIRLS (Division I)</b>			
200 YD Freestyle	Whitney Myers	Ursuline	2002
400 YD Freestyle Relay	Ursuline	Ursuline	2013
200 YD Medley Relay	Ursuline	Ursuline	2005
<b>GIRLS (Division II)</b>			
200 YD Individual Medley	Margaret Fish	Indian Hill	2008
100 YD Breaststroke	Kendra Crew	Dayton Oakwood	2013

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