Sent: Wednesday, September 14, 2017 2:35PM CDT **Subject**: Welcome to Convention - USMS Hot Topics

Good afternoon Delegates and Attendees!

Convention is here! The <u>2017 USMS Convention page</u> has been updated with the most current information, documents, schedules and <u>announcements</u>. Listed below are some "**hot topics**":

• <u>Certification & Registration</u>

Once you arrive at the hotel and settle into your room, the USAS and USMS registration will be in <u>Marsalis A</u> on the exhibition level. You must register with USAS first (to get your name badge) and then proceed to the USMS Certification table to receive your credentials. Please refer to the <u>Convention Check-In & Certification Procedure</u> page for the certification times and location.

• Swim Workouts

Since we are mostly swimmers, workouts have been arranged Thursday and Friday at the LISD Westside Aquatics Center from 5:30-6:30am. Bus transportation will leave PROMPTLY at 4:45am these mornings from Trinity Crossings. Saturday's workout has been arranged at the Southern Methodist University (SMU) (*SMU does not have any showers or bathrooms) from 6:00am-7:00am. Bus transportation will leave PROMPTLY at 5:45am from Trinity Crossings. Please refer to the <u>pickup and drop off details</u> for more information.

Dry Land Workouts

Dry land workouts, will be available Thursday, Friday, and Saturday from 6:00 – 7:00am in **Marsalis B.** Dry land workouts will be conducted Thursday by Jennifer Masquelier, Friday by Dean Hawks, and Saturday by Jennifer Masquelier.

• Thursday Night LMSC Social

The North Texas LMSC will be treating us to Dick's Last Resort BBQ 7:00-9:00pm. Take advantage of an opportunity to unwind with other people who share your passion for Masters swimming. Refer to the LMSC social flyer for details.

Post-Convention

The **Convention Evaluation** and **LMSC Workshop Evaluations**, via Survey Monkey, will be posted on Saturday, September 16th at the close of the last HOD meeting. The links can be found on the <u>Convention page</u> under Post-Convention. During convention, we suggest you take notes of the meetings you attend and refer to them when completing the surveys.

The **2018 Committee Request Form**, via Survey Monkey, will be posted under Post-Convention on the <u>Convention page</u> and will go live on Wednesday, September 20th. Completing this survey is required if you are interested in being on a committee in 2018.

It is recommended that **everyone** read the <u>Welcome Letter</u>, <u>Survival Guide</u> as well as the <u>Complete Pre-</u> <u>Convention Packet</u>. Wireless Internet will be available in all meeting rooms, including the House of Delegates. Don't forget your water bottle, extension cord and/or power strip.

Thank you for all that you do for U.S. Masters Swimming and welcome to Dallas! -Jessica

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