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## SNCA Mission Statement:

**Our mission is to promote, facilitate and coordinate the sustainability and expansion of aquatic resources within the Truckee Meadows.**

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## An Evening with the Olympians

This year's *An Evening with the Olympians* will be held Saturday June 5, 2010, at the Peppermill Casino Pool Complex. In attendance for this year's gala event will **Jason Lezak, Cullen Jones, and Rowdy Gaines**. All of the athletes will be available for meet and greets, to give autographs and to talk about their swimming careers and Olympic experience. Each month we have been featuring one of our Olympians in our newsletter, complete with biographies and photographs. For April, we are featuring Jason Lezak. Remember, tickets go on sale today! Don't wait to get yours! Adult tickets are just \$30 and include dinner and a drink. Kid's tickets are only \$15.

Tickets can be purchased at [www.sncaquatics.org](http://www.sncaquatics.org).

### The 2010 *An Evening with the Olympians* Featured Athlete: Jason Lezak

**Jason Lezak:** Virtually unknown in the swimming world in 1998, Jason lit up the 1998 U.S. Nationals winning his first National Title in the 100 Freestyle... and that was only the beginning. Jason went on to win a Gold and Silver Medal at the 2000 Olympic Games. In 2002, Jason dominated his opponents becoming the #1 ranked sprinter in the world. At the 2004 Olympics, Jason took the Bronze in the 4x100m freestyle and the Gold Medal in a world record breaking swim in the 4 x 100m medley relay.



Jason is now a seasoned veteran in the sport.

Having raced and beaten his best competitors gives him a confidence and a winning record that can't be questioned. In 2008, Jason took his place on the US Team one more time when he qualified for the 2008 Beijing Olympics in the 100m freestyle, the 4x100m free relay, and the 4x100m medley relay. At 32, the oldest man on the U.S. swim team and tri-captain, Jason anchored the U.S. men's 400-meter freestyle relay team to a come-from-behind victory, stealing the Gold from the French. Expect to see his leg, the fastest 100 relay split (46.06), for decades to come in sports highlight films. Jason also dominated the last leg of the 4x100m Men's Medley Relay, winning the gold for his USA team and securing Michael Phelps' record setting 8th gold medal.





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## “Meet SNCA Night” – April 21<sup>st</sup>

Come on out and meet your friends behind SNCA! Find out what we have been working on, what we have planned and where we currently stand with our vision for the future of aquatics in the Truckee Meadows.

We want all aquatics users to have a voice in this process and we welcome your opinions. We need to have a united front as we move forward with this endeavor, so won't you please join us. This event is open to any and everyone interested in the future of aquatics for our area.

**Wednesday, April 21<sup>st</sup> @ 7pm**  
**McKinley Arts and Culture Center**  
**925 Riverside Drive • Reno, NV**

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Keep a look out for the flyer to follow!  
Or visit [www.sncaquatics.org](http://www.sncaquatics.org) for more info.

## Interview with a SNCA Board Member

### SNCA Board Member Chip Hobson



Growing up in Denver, Colorado, Chip Hobson took to swimming at a young age. Hobson began swimming competitively in high school and went on to be a NCAA finalist while swimming all four years for the University of Southern California (USC). Hobson completed his undergraduate degree in exercise physiology and continued on to receive his master's degree from USC in physical therapy.

It was also at USC that Hobson met his wife, who was also a competitive swimmer. Hobson and his wife moved to Reno, where she had her roots. They have also raised their two children here. Once here in Nevada, Hobson began his career as a physical therapist, where he was further able to see the benefits of the aquatic environment for his patients.

After ten years of practice in physical therapy, Hobson attended the University of Nevada, Reno, where he received his MBA. Hobson now works in the field of real estate and investment management. He also serves as Executive Director for a non-profit organization dedicated to creating affordable senior housing projects within the community.

Throughout Hobson's life and career, he has realized the value of aquatics not only for physical fitness and rehabilitation, but for a high quality of life.

"I feel that through competitive swimming, children learn the important qualities of dedication, hard work, and time management," says Hobson. (con't.)

**Next Month's Edition  
Includes: Featured  
athlete Rowdy Gaines**

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It was because of his passion for swimming that Hobson decided to get involved with SNCA. He wants to see that the area is successful in obtaining improved resources for aquatics and that future generations can enjoy swimming as he has.

Hobson expresses that not only can an aquatic environment lend to helping people improve their health and physical capabilities, but that it is also, simply, just fun.

"There is nothing like looking around a pool and seeing all the kids smiling. It's a great time and a happy place to be," said Hobson.

Using his swimming, real estate and business background, Hobson now chairs the Facility Committee within SNCA.

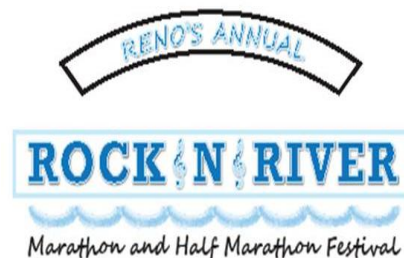
"SNCA is striving to represent all aquatics users and we want to serve the community and address as many needs as possible," states Hobson.

If anyone has any input or ideas related to the facility design or business plan, they may contact him at: [chip.hobson@sncaquatics.org](mailto:chip.hobson@sncaquatics.org).

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## "Rock 'n' River Festival"

SNCA will be partaking in the 3rd annual Rock 'n' River Festival, Saturday, May 2<sup>nd</sup> and Sunday, May 3<sup>rd</sup>. This year, Rock 'n' River anticipates more than 2,000 people will participate in the event. SNCA will have a booth on display at the Health and Wellness Expo portion of the event. Join us there on Saturday at the El Dorado Hotel and Casino from 9am – 4pm to get information and share ideas! The race portion of the event will take place on Sunday – featuring a 10k, full marathon, half-marathon and a kids' fun run.



### **Volunteer Registration**

To make their race a success, they are looking for some great race crew members to support the athletes. From helping at an aid station to traffic support, they have something available for anyone interested in volunteering. Race crew members will receive a special race support shirt, a dinner party before the race, and the appreciation from all of the runners on the course.

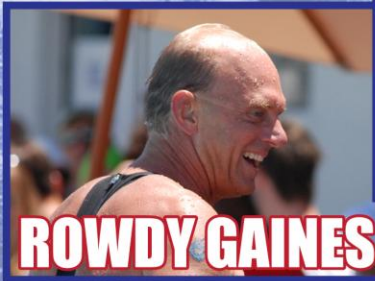
To sign up as a volunteer or as a group, please contact their volunteer coordinator Catherine McFeely via e-mail at [CateMcF14@aol.com](mailto:CateMcF14@aol.com) or call them at (775) 846-0706.

For more information on the event, please visit:  
<http://www.rock-n-riverhalfmarathon.com/>

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# THE OLYMPIANS



Event Information:

**Saturday, June 5th**

Master of Ceremonies, Olympic Gold Medalist, Rowdy Gaines

**5:00 pm to 9:00 pm**

Peppermill Hotel Casino Pool Complex

Dinner, Dessert & Beverages

(One beverage ticket with each paid admission)

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Help us build a new community pool!

Food, Music & Fun!

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Kids & families can swim too!  
Towels provided

Bring your camera!  
Take a photo with Gold Medalists:  
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Cullen Jones &  
Jason Lezak!

Autograph signing with the stars!

Giant screen Olympic highlights

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