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President's Introductory Speech

USMS First!!!!
By Nadine Day

I would like to thank each one of you for the wonderful opportunity you have given me to serve US Masters Swimming President. I can't believe it was four years ago, I was elected President. I have been very fortunate to be surrounded by passionate volunteers. Your dedication makes USMS successful. Giving up your precious time to create opportunities for others to swim weather it is from learn to swim lessons to making fair rules for competitions.

I am amazed by the time commitment I see from our volunteers

One person can't do it all. The success of USMS is dependent on each person's contribution. I challenge each one of you this week to keep in mind, what is the best for USMS to continue to be successful, it is NOT about what is good for me, what is best for my club, what is best for my LMSC. It is what is important for our members and future members. Ensuring that we have a sustainable organization.

It is about us, our 64,000 members. It is about USMS. It is about our Future.

At this time, I would like to recognize a few people

A special recognition, to Immediate Past President, Jeff Moxie, who had the confidence in me and ask me to run for President
I, Thank you

And to all the Past Presidents of USMS, who have dedicated their lives to USMS and continue to do so. Name them
they have been invaluable to me during my leadership and have provided mentorship to me and my fellow board members.
Recognize and Thank each of them

USMS legal counsel Patty Miller. (I know USMS leadership is in good hands for the four next years)
Thank you

I would like to thank the current BOD, have them stand and be recognized

I also want to thank all past executive officers and BOD who I have served USMS
please stand
Thank you

The national leaders of our organization - committee chairs, (please stand up and be recognized)

The LMSC chairs, our Local leaders, we are pleased with the success of the LMSC Leadership Summit this past Feb. and we will continue this every other year
Thank you

Officials-we can't have meets without you
Thank you

Coaches-I applaud the coaches on deck. Coaching especially in inclement weather when the deck temperature is colder, wetter and more windy than being in the pool.
Thank you

New delegates stand up 53 new delegates
Thank you

Now everyone stand up
How many have attended more than 5 years stay standing
How many have attended more than 10 years
How many have attended more than 15 years
How many have attended more than 20 years
How many have attended more than 25 years,
Find out how many years convention
Do I do 30 then count down

We really appreciate your years of service. They have provided mentorship to the newer and younger generations and passed on their knowledge and wisdom
To continue the success of USMS

We know how valuable your time is and USMS is very grateful
I wanted to thank each one of you for the sacrifices you make for USMS
Everyone received a thank you card either through registration or your committee chair, and my soon to be outdated business card is in there (I did not want to waste them) but I put it in there because our mission is on the back, it is a nice reminder why we are here

A special thanks to the USMS staff. They really work 24/7 They work all day and also volunteer their time to USMS. You guys are great. I really appreciate what you do for USMS on a daily basis. Always keeping our members as your top priority Thank you

Lastly, our executive director and my partner, Rob Butcher, our executive director.
He was instrumental in our success for past 8 years.
Thank you!!!

Lead in to Rob's speech

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