



# NEWSLETTER

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## End of Year Recap

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As we complete the year 2011, we need to look back and see where we were. A team of about 70 swimmers total. Some of which, attended few if any practices, regularly. Only attending CBA meets with a few going to the Junior Olympic age group meet as well as a few attending Far Westerns.

Quite a change has taken place over the past 6 months. 15 swimmers entered in the December Junior Olympic meet, with 5 finalists and relays entered. 12 will be attending Far Westerns. We had Alyssa placing in the 800 and the mile. A quick look at the top ten and we find numerous Makos listed in a variety of events. Alyssa, Jarrod, Omar, Brandon, Daniel, Sesa, Abbey, Zack, Devon, Jessica, Christy, Katie, Armon, Marty, and Mitchell, as well as many more, had an outstanding summer. The new season has brought much more to our program. We have 5 twelve and under swimmers attending a leadership Camp. Alyssa, Christy, and Armon will be flying to the Olympic Training Center in Colorado Springs in January for distance training at altitude. What an experience!

What can we expect from the new coming year? How many more achievements can we accomplish as a team? Can we put the Makos back on the Pacific Swimming Chart? With your work and desire to be the best we can. Keep up the good work and good things will happen. Congratulations to the finish of a great year.

2012 can only get better with your hard work and competitive spirit. Good Job!

REFUSE TO BE AVERAGE, ONLY THE STRONG SURVIVE; CHAMPIONS ARE MADE NOT BORN.

Who will be next to test the waters - only you know.

IF YOU THINK YOU'RE BEATEN, YOU ARE  
IF YOU THINK YOU DARE NOT, YOU DON'T  
IF YOU LIKE TO WIN, BUT THINK YOU CAN'T  
IT'S ALMOST A CINCH YOU WON'T  
IF YOU THINK YOU'LL LOSE, YOU'RE LOST;  
FOR OUT IN THE WORLD WE FIND  
SUCCESS BEGINS WITH A PERSON'S WILL.  
IT'S ALL IN THE STATE OF MIND.  
LIFE'S BATTLES DON'T ALWAYS GO  
TO THE STRONGER OR FASTER PERSON;  
BUT SOONER OR LATER THE PERSON WHO WINS  
IS THE ONE WHO THINKS HE CAN.....Anonymous

## 50th Anniversary Celebration a HUGE success!

On October 1<sup>st</sup>, 2011, we celebrated our club's 50th anniversary at the Community & Cultural Center in Morgan Hill with almost 300 attendees! The weather, food, and music couldn't have been better! We had 115 past and present swimmers and coaches in attendance which made for amazing photo opportunities.

If you've not reviewed the pictures from this event yet, you still can. Go to: [www.californiavisualsports.com](http://www.californiavisualsports.com) click on "Image Sales", then click on our event name. Our 50th anniversary runs through the summer of 2012 so please continue to wear your 50th t-shirt! Here's looking forward to another successful 50 years for the MHSC!

~ Tari Mitchell



Happy New Year and best wishes for a successful 2012 swimming year to all!