



Volume 23
August 2017 Newsletter

Great work by our Safe Sport Champions!

Big shout out to Minnesota Swimming Safe Sport Chair, Rebecca Binder, who is doing great work in her LSC! During its summer state meet Minnesota Swimming played the Safe Sport promo video created by 2016 Fellow Breandan Gibbons and it also gave away 500 sets of the Safe Sport Activity Book and crayons to spectators.

What a fantastic way to spark discussion and maybe get a few more people interested in being involved with Safe Sport. Keep it up!

Convention 2017

Convention is quickly approaching and we hope to see you all in Dallas at the Safe Sport sessions. The schedule is built to maximize your time and ability to attend sessions within a couple days.

Tuesday 9/12

3:00-4:00 Safe Sport 101 - **New 2017 or 2018 Chairs only please!**

4:00- 7:00 LSC Safe Sport Chairs Workshop - **Includes working dinner**

Wednesday 9/13

9:00-11:50 Safe Sport Committee Business Meeting

2:00-3:50 **Safe Sport at Meets: Working with Officials to Create a Safe Sport Environment**

Thursday 9/14

1:00-2:50 **Ten Things You Should Know About Male Survivors of Sexual Abuse**

For more information about Convention please go to usaswimming.org/convention

Get to know our Safe Sport Fellows!



My name is Connor Fitz Miller, I swim for Kingfish Swimming Club in Medfield, MA.

So far, the fellowship has been one of the greatest experiences of my life. Every aspect of this program is truly amazing, from all the things I have learned to all the experiences I have had and all the people I have met.

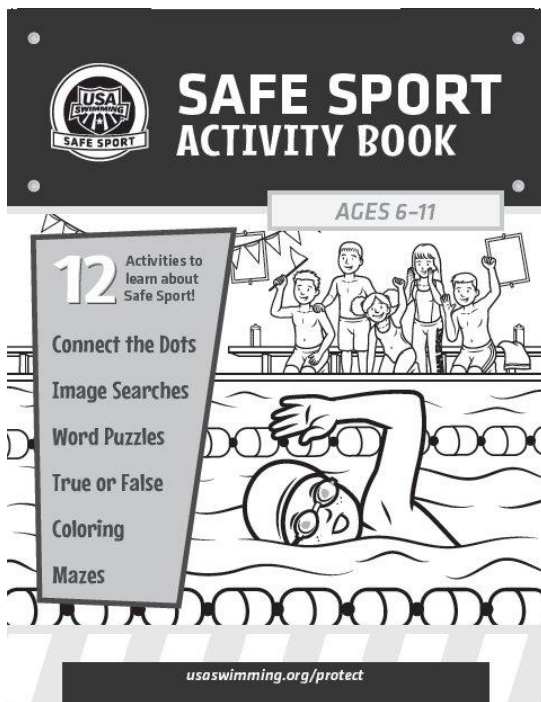
The best part about the whole thing is that as a fellow, I am plugged directly into the organization.. It has been truly amazing to learn about all of the inner workings and behind the scenes stuff that goes into allowing thousands upon thousands of swimmers to all have equal opportunity when they practice and compete.

In addition to this, I have had the opportunity to build upon my own strengths as well as turning my weaknesses into strengths. This is something I have never really focused on in my life.

As a fellow, I also am tasked with doing a yearlong project. My project is marketing and increasing awareness of the Safe Sport branding.

In order to do this I have participated in various activities such as tabling at championship meets, and starting a social media account.

The goal of my project is to have people see Safe Sport in a positive way.



Safe Sport Activity Book!

If you haven't seen the activity book yet, HERE IT IS! In July we released our first ever Safe Sport Activity Book, and we are thrilled with how it has been received and look forward to seeing how your LSCs and teams are enjoying them. Please continue to share your pictures with us on Twitter @SwimSafeSport.

You can download the Activity Book in full [here](#) or you can purchase them directly from the national office by contacting Paula D'Amico at pdamico@usaswimming.org.

Don't forget to purchase your Safe Sport Crayons as well!

Please continue to follow us on Twitter @SwimSafeSport and on Facebook at USA Swimming Safe Sport. Let us know if you are working on any Safe Sport initiatives. We would like to highlight you in our next Safe Sport Newsletter!

USA Swimming Safe Sport

