

Jack Yeager, Head Coach - Jack began coaching the Sea Lions on a volunteer basis for two years prior to becoming a full-time coach the past two years. He has also volunteered to help coach part-time the Hummelstown Swim Team the past two summers as well. Jack has attended the Eastern States Coaches Clinic in Cherry Hill, NJ for two years and is a certified USA coach.

Jack played football, basketball and baseball in high school and baseball at Penn State Main Campus. He has coached numerous softball and soccer teams over the past seven years. Jack thinks the best part of coaching is finding the unique aspect in each person which motivates the swimmer to perform their best.

Julie Lutzkanin - Julie first learned to swim at 5 years old when her beloved “swimmies” were thrown into the pool and she was told if she wanted them back, she had to get them herself. Julie’s approach to coaching the Sea Lions Swim Team is vastly different than that childhood experience. She feels that combining hard work with fun is the key to developing a successfully competitive team that the kids love to be a part of. She began teaching swim lessons at the Hummelstown Swim Club when she was 12 years old, and went on to become a lifeguard at HSC for 10 years. Lifeguarding led to a position coaching the Hummelstown Flamingos Swim Team, where she coached from 2003-2009. She was also a part of the inaugural coaching staff for the Penn State Sea Lions – the team that would eventually develop into the Sea Lions Swim Team.

Julie has been playing recreational softball since she was 7 years old. She was also a member of the Penn State University Club Field Hockey team from 2002-2005. In her rare moments of free time away from her job as an assistant store manager at Starbucks and coaching, Julie loves to read and enjoys building her home library. She also has a strong affinity for coffee – something that all of her swimmers know all too well. She has recently taken an interest in writing and is looking forward to developing a lifelong hobby of putting pen to paper.

Dawn Smith - Dawn started swimming when she was 6 years old for a team called NorthEast in the summer and in the winter for Lebanon YMCA. Dawn's high school did not have a team so she swam independent for high school. She swam for both teams through her whole swimming career as well as USA swimming, both short course and long course. Dawn made YMCA nationals at age 13 and was a part of amazing relay teams which were nationally ranked in the top sixteen. In between practices and meets, Dawn spent her summers lifeguarding.

Dawn has always enjoyed working with children, helping to coach a mini team in high school as well as teaching swim lessons. Dawn has a daycare in her home and is so excited to be working with the other great coaches, and to work with each and every child to grow, both in and out of the water!

Matt DeLiberty - This is Matt's second year coaching with the Sea Lions. He also coached the Hummelstown Flamingos this past summer. He swam with Hershey since he was 6 years old and recently has helped run a technique class for the Hershey Aquatic Club. Matt also swam for the Sea Lions and Flamingos for three years, as well

as for the Hershey High School team. Matt is attending HACC and majoring in early childhood and special education. He really enjoys swimming (and coaching!) as well as working with children.