

Boys Swimming Preview

Archbishop Wood

- **Coach:** Charlie Stillwell (10th year)
- **Last year's record:** 1-7
- **Key losses:** Jim Hurley individual medley; Sean Joyce, freestyle/butterfly; Brendon McGhee freestyle/backstroke; Tom Whelan, breaststroke/freestyle
- **Key returnees:** Dave Keller, junior, backstroke; Tim Miller, senior, breaststroke; John Wright, senior, freestyle; Ron McIntire, senior, butterfly
- **Others to watch:** Michael Montemarano, sophomore, butterfly and freestyle
- **Strengths:** "This year will be a rebuilding year," said coach Charlie Stillwell. "The loss of last year's seniors and having no freshman last year will leave the team with only a few experienced swimmers."

Junior Dave Keller has been the Vikings' top backstroker for the last three years and senior Tim Miller could be one of the league's top breaststrokers by the end of the season.

While his team is still small, Stillwell sees this year as the foundation to build on for the next few years. "I expect our seniors to show what they can do when challenged and to have strong swims at the end of the season."

• **Outlook:** The Vikings will have to fight for every win, but they go into this year with no expectations and can only improve as the year progresses. "This will be an opportunity for everyone to work hard and step-up into a leadership role," said Stillwell.

A Closer Look

Capsules of all the area teams

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The season: This will be a rebuilding year for the Vikings, but enthusiasm is high as the team is ready for the challenge.

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Coach's quote: "This year will be a rebuilding year. The loss of last year's seniors and no new freshmen last year will leave the team with only a few experienced swimmers. We will have to fight hard for a chance to win some meets. I see this as a foundation to build on for the next few years."

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Show must go on for Holy Ghost

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The deep end

■ The Archbishop Wood girls won the 200-yard medley relay at the CB East relays. The foursome of Tina Rios, Megen Donovan, Amy Finn and Jackie Smith clocked in at 1:58.50. This was the only win of the night for area teams.

La Salle 55, Archbishop Wood 36—The Explorers swam past Archbishop Wood in a league meet last Thursday. Tom O'Neill captured the 200 freestyle (2:00.75) and Ed Bonnevie won the 200 individual medley to pace the Explorers. David Keller won the 100 backstroke for the Vikings.

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200 medley relay—La Salle (Domanski, Woods, LeTeavage, DeFranco), 1:45.35; 200 freestyle—Tom O'Neill (LS) 2:00.75; 200 individual medley—Ed Bonnevie (LS) 2:15.39; 50 freestyle—James Mahoney (LS) 23.20; 100 butterfly—Joe Houldin (LS) 1:01.82; 500 freestyle—John Holt (LS) 5:15.88; 200 freestyle relay—La Salle (Mahoney, McGee, McGee, Houldin), 1:39.48; 100 backstroke—David Keller (AW), 1:06.50; 100 breaststroke—Timothy Miller (AW) 1:14.50; 400 relay—Archbishop Wood (Wright, Montemarano, McIntire, Keller), 4:09.35.