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2009 World Championships Can be seen [here](#).
Live feed and on TV Starting July

21. <http://echo4.bluehornet.com/ct/5036784:5952710415:m:4:201747950:31059569AC9DF9693DD17F112B94A413>

CHECK OUT OUR NEW [COMMERCIAL](#) FOR SWIMNETWORK!

http://www.swimnetwork.com/videos/v/20090713/the_swimnetwork_commercial-16874.html

Scholastic All-America Applications due Aug. 1



Scholastic All-America Applications will be due August 1, 2009.

Applications must include the following:

- ***Completed Application***
- ***Print-out from SWIMS of eligible times***
- ***Transcript for the entire 2008-2009 academic year***

Mail the application to the committee members listed on the application by August 1, 2009.

A Historic First for ASCA World Clinic as New FINA President Plans Visit!

This year's ASCA World Clinic in Fort Lauderdale will have "that something extra" in the form of a historic, first ever visit from a sitting FINA Swimming President.

New President Dr. Julio Maglione is planning to attend the Clinic on Friday, Sept. 11 and speak to the ASCA members and guests during the ASCA Annual Business Meeting on Friday morning.

Dr. Maglione, who will assume his new office at the end of the World Championships in Rome, is widely presumed ready to take the lead in the elimination of the new "technical suits" which have wrecked such havoc on the sport of swimming in the past two years.

As most know, the FINA office until the past 8 years, has had little to do with coaches, on a worldwide basis. The first FINA Coaches Commission was formed in 2000, and ASCA former President Peter Daland was the first Chair of that Committee. ASCA Executive Director John Leonard serves on the FINA Coaches Commission today. Never before has a FINA President taken it upon himself to visit a major world coaches clinic in any nation and the historic implications of this occurrence follows on the heels of FINA Executive Director Cornel Marculescu declaring in Singapore last February that "**perhaps now our best partners in the development of world swimming, is the coaches**".

In case you missed it – Slide the timing bar at bottom of picture to 20:58 – it is about a 10 minute segment with MP and [Conan](#)

<http://www.hulu.com/watch/82994/the-tonight-show-with-conan-obrien-tue-jul-14-2009>

Five Birds and Good Intentions 625.4

Five birds are sitting on a telephone wire. Two decide to fly south. How many are left? Most people would say three. Actually, all five are left. You see, *deciding* to fly isn't the same as *doing* it.

If a bird really wants to go somewhere, it's got to point itself in the right direction, jump off the wire, flap its wings, and keep flapping until it gets there.

So it is with most things. Good intentions aren't enough. It's not what we want, say, or think that makes things happen; it's what we do.

I frequently think of writing thank-you, birthday, and congratulatory notes. Unfortunately, only a sad few of these good sentiments ever make it to paper. Still, if I don't look too closely, I can delude myself into thinking that based on my good thoughts I'm a gracious and grateful person. A truer and less admirable picture of my character is drawn by my actions.

In the end, we either do or don't do. We either make the time to do the things we want to and should do or we make excuses. As Alfred Adler said, "Life happens at the level of events, not of words. Trust movement."

What do you want to do? Do you want to take a course, change your job, lose weight, make new friends, or spend more time with and appreciate more the ones you have?

What's stopping you from jumping off the wire and flapping your wings?

This is Michael Josephson reminding you that character counts.

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To Our Friends in the Swimming and the Paralympic Swimming Family,

It is with great sadness that we share this news with you. Our dear friend and colleague, Jimi Flowers, Paralympic Swimming Head Coach and National Team Manager, died tragically on July 10th during a climb on Capitol Peak near Aspen. It is impossible to put into words what a devastating loss this is for the entire Olympic and Paralympic community. Jimi, was an amazing coach, friend, leader and, most importantly, husband and father. Our thoughts and prayers are with his beautiful family and all those who

knew and loved him.

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<http://www.9news.com/news/local/article.aspx?storyid=119284&catid=222>

[This link](#) is to an interview from Channel 9 in Denver with Dave Denniston. Jimi recruited him to Auburn and led him to swimming within the Paralympics Program. There is the written part and the video is to the right side of the page. Click onto the video – allow to load – sit through a short commercial and eight minutes of a wonderful tribute to Jimi from a wonderful athlete for the USA. Thought you would enjoy.

Those wishing to share memories of Jimi and condolences with the family are also encouraged to leave comments below or visit the tribute page set-up on Facebook - ["It Is What It Is...a Tribute to Jimi Flowers."](#)

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