



Donaldson Run Recreation Association, Inc.
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November 11, 2017

Dear Donaldson Run Member:

Our annual Meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, December 6th, 2017 at 7:30 pm, at **St. Andrew's Episcopal Church, 4000 Lorcom Lane**. The agenda items include the election of next year's officers and new Board members, and approval of the 2018 budget. We hope you can join us and be part of the discussions and decision making that will shape the pool over the coming years!

The volunteer members of Donaldson Run's Board of Directors work diligently behind the scenes to keep our neighborhood pool running, and so we – as members - can enjoy the facilities. I extend my sincere thanks to board members Doug Cox, Robin Farley, and Stephanie Tebor whose terms expire this year, or who have each had to leave the Board over this past year. Each of these Board members has given freely of their time and energy, during their terms to support the pool. The slate of proposed members for next year's Board is enclosed, and although I will be departing the Board, the nominated slate of officers shows I will be leaving Donaldson Run in very capable hands moving forward.

The Board unanimously approved presenting the Elizabeth Draeger Award for 2017 to June Ventura, who passed away this year and had been serving as the Treasurer for Donaldson Run. June's years of tireless efforts to help keep DRRA on a stable and secure financial path will be deeply missed. David Rehr, who had previously served as Treasurer (as well as Vice President, and President of DRRA) stepped-up, at June's passing to assume the Treasurer's role until this December's election.

The Board continues to focus on accessibility and grounds improvements issues. A new fence is currently being installed at the facility and we are very close to final plans and permits that will enable the beginning of accessibility improvements that the Board, and Mike Griffen specifically, has been working on for several years.

The pool had a great year! Both the Swim and Dive teams had amazing seasons, and this year's pool social activities were fantastic! We also had an extraordinary Lobster Feast and "Food Truck Fridays" were a big hit. A special thanks to our pool Manager, Theresa Clark, for all her continued efforts. She helps to meet all of our needs, manages the staff, and keeps the pool expenses in check. She does a great job and deserves all of our thanks.

It has been my pleasure to work closely with the Board and pool staff throughout my tenure as President. **I look forward to seeing you at the Annual Meeting on December 6th at St. Andrew's Episcopal Church.**

Sincerely,

Kenneth T. Longnecker