

The PRA Pataskala Pool Pitch

Week of August 18 – September 2

This newsletter will be the last one for this season. This will also be my last season as manager of the pool. It's been an interesting and somewhat stressful, but ultimately satisfying, eight years. We started with a pool that was all but filled in for good, and ended up with a vibrant, major part of many peoples' lives. Through it all, our mission has always been to serve the people of Pataskala and provide a bit of recreation and relaxation and more importantly, teach kids how to swim and be safer in water. I believe we have done our best to do that.

I have to mention a few people that helped with the pool's success. Jenn Coalter has done a fantastic job as coordinator of the swim lesson program. Celesia Snyder has been available to help me with lessons when Jenn couldn't be here. John Jarvis has been amazing as the coach of the swim team. Traci Brandt took over as president of the swim team and she has maintained and even improved areas that I hadn't thought to improve. There have been countless volunteers such as Dave Charnas and Mike Waite who are here in a minute if I need repairs. Several churches have helped clean the area and paint fences and doors.

I especially want to thank the Pataskala Recreation Association (PRA) who made this all possible. Dr. Ann Walther and her husband, Councilman Andy Walther are the tireless workers behind the pool's success. I remember when I talked to Dr. Walther on the phone nine years ago about bringing the swim team to the Pataskala Pool. I really wasn't sure she could get it reopened, but she did. Now, they too are moving on. The city will run the pool next summer and Dr. Walther can get that long deserved break.

Thanks to the City of Pataskala for giving PRA the chance to save the pool, and for their continued support. I also want to thank all of you who bought memberships or had your child in swim lessons. I also want to thank the many employees that I've gotten to know. We have many great kids in this city that I'm proud to have hired and worked with.

I hope you have a great two weeks of the remaining pool season. I normally would say that I'll see you at the pool, but that would be incorrect. I'm leaving for my home in Perrysburg on the 19th. I'll leave knowing that the pool is in good hands for next season.

Jeff Chapman
Pool Manager



Getting To Know the Staff:

Lenier Crawford – Next year's Manager

Lenier is currently the city of Pataskala's Parks and Recreation Manager. He is a long-time resident of Pataskala and graduated from Licking Heights. He's taken classes for his pool operator's license, and has spent several hours here at the pool learning and practicing the daily operations of managing a pool. I feel confident that the transition of the pool from PRA to the city will be seamless for next season.

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IMPORTANT:

- **The pool will close early on the 23rd.**
- **The last day of operation is September 2, Labor Day.**
- **The city will be operating the pool for the final two weeks then take it over completely next year.**

Weekly Schedule

August 18 – Sept. 2

Sunday – August 18

12 – 6 p.m.
6 – 8 p.m.

Open to public
Private party

Monday – August 19

3 – 6 p.m.

Open to public

Tuesday – August 20

3 – 6 p.m.

Open to public

Wednesday – August 21

3 – 6 p.m.

Open to public

Thursday – August 22

3 – 6 p.m.

Open to public

Friday – August 23

3 – 5 p.m.
5 – 7 p.m.
7 – 9 p.m.

Open to public
Private party
Private party

Saturday – August 24

12 – 6 p.m.
6 – 8 p.m.

Open to public
Private party

Sunday – August 25

12 – 6 p.m.
6 – 8 p.m.

Open to public
Private party

Monday – August 26

3 – 6 p.m.

Open to public

Tuesday – August 27

3 – 6 p.m.

Open to public

Wednesday – August 28

3 – 6 p.m.

Open to public

Thursday – August 29

3 – 6 p.m.

Open to public

Friday – August 30

3 – 6 p.m.
6 – 8 p.m.

Open to public
Private party

Saturday – August 31

12 – 6 p.m.
6 – 8 p.m.

Open to public
Private party

Sunday – September 1

12 – 6 p.m.
6 – 8 p.m.

Open to public
Private party

Monday – September 2

12 – 6 p.m.

Open to public
