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Adopt a Pool with SNCA

SNCA Partners with City of Reno to Organize Pool Cleanup

On Saturday, August 21st Sierra Nevada Community Aquatics teamed up with the City of Reno and over 30 volunteers to clean up the North West Community Pool. Titled "Adopt a Pool," the cleanup event gave a makeover to the pool inside and out. Volunteers repainted the inside of the pool area, where the pool is currently being resurfaced and retiled. The outside and surrounding areas of the building were spruced up thanks to the volunteers who trimmed away old and dying shrubbery, shoveled, raked, and spread over 20 yards of mulch.



SNCA would like to give a huge thanks to all those that showed up and made this effort possible. The new area looks amazing and we could not have done it without all those dedicating their Saturday afternoon to this great cause. One of the volunteers in attendance was Reno City Councilwoman Sharon Zadra. Zadra was thrilled with the outcome of the cleanup.

"It was a terrific turnout and I'm proud that our citizens care so much about the cause," said Zadra. "Not only does it look fantastic, but some of the items were safety issues before and now it's fixed. This is great."

Stay tuned for more volunteer opportunities!





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Interview with a SNCA Board Member

SNCA Board Member Rich Wait



Rich Wait is a native to Nevada, born and raised in Reno. Wait swam as a child, becoming a competitive swimmer in 1967 and continued to do so throughout his time at Reno High and into college where he was a master swimmer at the University of Arizona. In fact, Wait met his wife while they were both swimming for a local team in Reno. Their swimming backgrounds and love for the water is

something they have passed on to their children.

"I love to swim for the sport," said Wait, "but even more so for the camaraderie."

Wait's daughter swims competitively in high school and his son, now a high school freshman, plays water polo, a sport that Wait enjoys himself. Wait says that the open water has always been a place he enjoys to be.

"I have always enjoyed being in the open water. Recreational swimming and water sports are great family activities," said Wait.

After attending Town Hall meetings held by the City of Reno, Wait decided to get involved with Sierra Nevada Community Aquatics. Wait saw the effort being put forth by citizens after the closure of Moana Pool and volunteered for SNCA's board in order to be a part of the effort. As a Certified Public Accountant, Wait helped to obtain SNCA's non-profit status.

Wait's current goal is to help SNCA launch their upcoming Capital Campaign. He hopes to head up the Capital Campaign Committee charged with reaching out to other foundations in the hopes of finding the dollars to break ground on a new aquatics facility. His hopes for a new aquatics facility stem from his strong swimming background, but even more so from the benefits he sees it providing to the community. Wait feels that learn-to-swim programs and water safety training are essential, especially in an area as aquatically diverse as ours.

"Our community needs to have a source for lessons so our citizens are safer. Lakes and rivers can pose risks that people may be unaware of. A pool is a safe place to learn life saving water habits" says Wait.

Wait also believes in the health and therapy aspects of an aquatic facility.

"Our community should have a resource where individuals can improve their health at their own choice and at their own pace," says Wait, "and it is also extremely beneficial for therapy for all ages."

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