

# NEWSPLASH!

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Wildwood Area Recreation Association

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## GREETINGS FROM THE BOARD PRESIDENT

Leigh Drewry

This coming summer promises to be another great year at the Wildwood Pool. As we approach May 15, 2009, we have a long waiting list of people who want to join the best pool in Lynchburg.

Elsewhere in this newsletter is an article that explains how last year's members can insure their place at the pool. After that date, the membership will be opened to the individuals on the waiting list. Please make sure you read Jim Hyres' article on membership.

If our projections of a full membership of 275 families is met, parking and chairs will be at a premium. Please make sure you remain patient and take up as little space as possible. This means parking in a conservative manner and not using an extra chair to hold your towels and other items. We have taken steps to free up deck space and replace some of the older chairs to make your experience more enjoyable.

For the past several years, the Board of Directors has discussed two major projects for the corporation – the renovation of the tennis courts and the construction of a club house. Many people have discussed these projects

but the Board welcomes your additional input on these two projects. Please take a few minutes to express your opinion to a member of the Board.

You will also find information on the Wildwood Stingray swim team elsewhere in this newsletter. This is an opportunity for your children to remain active during the summer and learn a great sport. If you are not currently a member of the swim team, please take a few minutes to read the articles and stop by on sign up day to meet the coach and learn more.

WARA is extremely fortunate to have a great membership and to be located in a friendly and open neighborhood. Unfortunately, not everyone is willing to respect the property of others. WARA was vandalized during the Halloween season when someone broke into the snackbar/guard shack. The vandals took a can of red spray paint and painted the doors, microwaves, the stereo equipment and other items. To date, we have been unable to identify the individuals responsible. If you know anything about this incident, we welcome your information. Your identity will be kept secret but it is important we establish respect for others' property.

Together we will make this another great summer at the pool. See you there.

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**WWW.WILDWOODPOOLVA.COM**

### LET US EMAIL THIS NEWSLETTER TO YOU!

To save on printing and postage costs, we would like to email our WARA newsletter to you. Please email Lorraine Curry at the following address to sign up for the E-Mail Newsletter version.

[jlcurry2@verizon.net](mailto:jlcurry2@verizon.net)

*If you change your email address, please let Lorraine know so she can keep your information current on our database.*



## MEMBERSHIP

By Jim Hyres

Greetings from membership!

The pool membership has reached capacity each of the last three years and we expect to be full again in 2009. This is the result of the hard work of our pool managers and their staff, board members, and many other volunteers that have helped make Wildwood one of the best pools in the area. For the first time in at least fifteen years, we have a waiting list to join the pool.

**Returning non-stock members must convert to stock ownership to guarantee their spot this year. Please read the Frequently Asked Questions for more information.**

The rates for 2009 are unchanged from 2008:

**\$325 - Regular stock membership**  
**\$225 - Senior stock membership (age 60 or over)**

The annual membership dues cover all eligible family members. **A "family" is defined as those individuals related by blood, marriage, or through legal guardianship and living in the same house.** As in the past, a family membership will include a minimum of four passes.

**Returning members should mail their application and payment on or before May 15th to:**

Jim Hyres  
154 Woodbourne Dr.  
Lynchburg, VA 24502

Make checks payable to W.A.R.A. Membership packets containing pool badges and pool rules will be available for pick-up at the pool during opening weekend. *Packets will not be mailed home.*

For membership questions, please check out our new website: [www.wildwoodpoolva.com](http://www.wildwoodpoolva.com). You can also eMail Jim at [jwhyres@aol.com](mailto:jwhyres@aol.com) for more information.

***\*\*Dues must be paid in full before the facilities can be used\*\****

## FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

**Q: How will the 2009 waiting list work?**

*A: Returning 2008 stock members and non-stock members converting to stock membership can join anytime before May 15, 2009. After that date, families on the waiting list will be offered memberships until we reach capacity. There are over 40 families on the waiting list. Historically, 25 to 35 families leave each year for various reasons, so there is a chance that some people on the waiting list will not get in this year.*

**Q: I own stock and haven't been a member for a few years. I can join anytime right?**

*A: Unfortunately, no. Your stock membership is considered inactive and you must request to be placed on the waiting list (e-mail me at [jwhyres@aol.com](mailto:jwhyres@aol.com)). Note that **inactive stock members are given priority over prospective new members.** According to the by-laws, priority among inactive stock members is based on the period of time for which the member has been waiting to become active; the member with the most seniority on the waiting list has first preference. After all of the inactive stock members have been offered a membership, we will welcome new members until capacity is reached. At that time membership will be closed to everyone, including stock holders.*

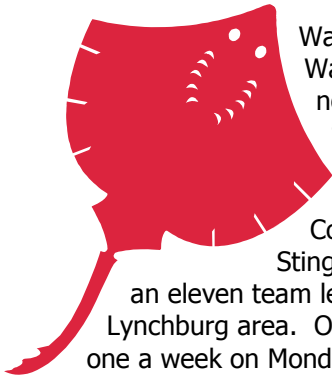
**Q: How do I convert from non-stock to stock membership?**

*A: There are two ways: 1) you can purchase stock directly from W.A.R.A. or 2) you can purchase stock from a W.A.R.A. stock holder. If you buy stock from W.A.R.A., there is a one-time fee of \$300, which can be split over two years. Since non-stock dues are \$100 more than stock dues, you basically pay an additional \$50 for two years (\$100 total) to become a stock member. If you purchase stock from a stock holder, it is considered a private transfer and W.A.R.A. does not take part in the negotiations. Once the transfer is made, the old stock certificate should be sent to me and I will issue a new stock certificate in the buyer's name(s). There is no transfer fee for this service.*

Please note; The purchaser in a private transaction assumes the stockholder status of the seller, i.e. if the seller was active in 2008, the purchaser steps into his shoes in 2009.

## BE A PART OF THE WILDWOOD STINGRAYS SWIMTEAM

By Trey Tanner, 2009 Wildwood Stingrays President



Warm weather and Good times!  
Want to kick your summer fun up a notch? Need a fun and exciting way to meet friends and enjoy the summer?

Come be a part of the Wildwood Stingrays Swim Team! We compete in an eleven team league throughout the greater Lynchburg area. Our season consists of 6 dual meets, one a week on Monday nights, and ending the season with our A & B championship meets. We strive to provide a healthy learning environment through the sport of swimming, sportsmanship and healthy competition in a fun and recreational atmosphere. The ages of our swimmers range from 5 year olds to returning 18 year olds. We offer a training team for our beginning swimmers that may be new to competitive swimming in the Lynchburg Aquatic League (LAL). Our regular swim team practices daily Monday thru Friday with an hour long intensive stroke clinic class on Saturday mornings. Our Parent-volunteer swim team board has planned several swim team family functions such as, movie night(s), a water park trip, pool lock-in & beginning of the year social (a meet and greet if you will).

We are very excited to have Brittany Dray as our head coach this year. Brittany has been swimming competitively for 9 years at the LAL, High School, and USA Swimming level. Previously she was the assistant coach for Poplar Forest and for the past 2 years has been an assistant coach for the LY swim team. Joining her on deck will be Sarah Hankey and Chad Nowakowski both with multiple years experience as assistant coaches at the local and YMCA level.

We encourage you to come out and see what our team is all about and enjoy the summer a little more with us; we can't wait to meet you. We will be holding our signups as well as a chance to meet our coaching staff and swim team board on Saturday May 16<sup>th</sup> from 9am to noon at the pool. Mark it on your calendars. If you have questions you may contact me by phone at 525-0742 or via email [H20\\_Pro@verizon.net](mailto:H20_Pro@verizon.net).

See you at the pool!

## 2009 DUAL MEET SCHEDULE

June 15	Wildwood at Falling River
June 22	Wildwood at Peakland
June 29	Hill City at Wildwood
July 6	FAST at Wildwood
July 13	Wildwood at Bedford -Y
July 20	Rainbow Forest at Wildwood

## TENNIS LESSONS

Kendra Turner will be giving tennis lessons at the pool again this year. Give her a call if you are interested at 525-1968 or 907-0409 or e-mail at [frtchr76@cs.com](mailto:frtchr76@cs.com) or [kturner@campbell.k12.va.us](mailto:kturner@campbell.k12.va.us)



Lessons are again \$15 an hour with a limit of 3 people at a time. (That would be \$7.50 each for 2 people at a time, \$5 each for 3 people.) Come learn how to play or just improve your game with drills and strategies. Kendra teaches French and Spanish and coaches tennis for William Campbell. She has played for the Brookville High and Lynchburg College teams.

## SWIMMING LESSONS

Hello, everyone! My name is Brittany Dray and once again I will be offering swimming lessons at Wildwood pool for the upcoming season. I look forward to teaching your children to swim. For additional information, including times and prices, please keep your eyes peeled in future newsletters. If you know that you would like lessons and want to get a head start, you can email me at [luv2swimly@aol.com](mailto:luv2swimly@aol.com) and I will be starting a waiting list making the lessons first come first serve.



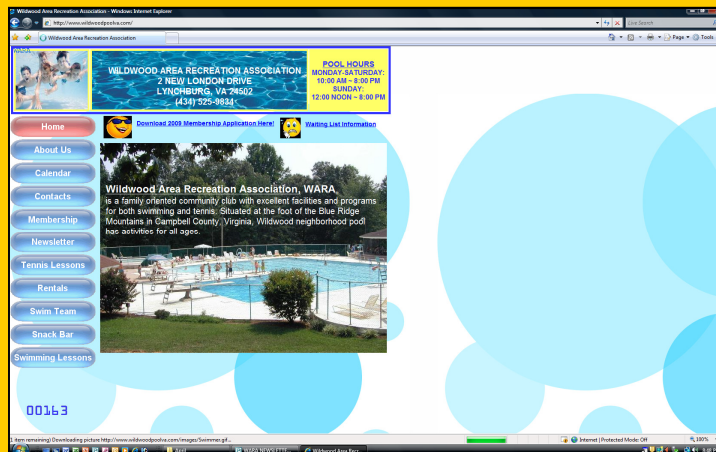
# 2009 WARA CALENDAR

Pool Cleanup	April 11; April 25-26; May 9-10	8 am—Noon
Swim Team Signup	May 16	9 am—Noon
Pool Opens (weekends only)	May 23	
Opening Cookout	May 24	6:00 p.m.
Pool Opens (Full-time)	June 4	3:00 p.m.
Family Fishing Day	June 6	9 am—Noon
Pre-School Party	June 13	3:30—4:30 p.m.
Elementary Party	June 13	5:00—7:00 p.m.
Middle School Party	June 13	7:30—10:00 p.m.
High School Party	June 19	8:00—11:00 p.m.
Late Night Swim	June 27	Until 10:00 p.m.
Late Night Swim	July 10	Until 10:00 p.m.
Pig Roast (adults only)	July 18	6:00—11:00 p.m.
LAL B-Meet	July 25	All Day—Pool Closed
Taco Night/Late Night Swim	July 31	6:00—10:00 p.m.
Late Night Swim/Back To School Night	August 15	Until 10:00 p.m.
Closing Cookout	September 6	5:30 p.m.
Pool Closes	September 7	

## WARA PHONE NUMBERS

<b>Pool Phone</b> .....	525-9834
<b>Pool Managers</b>	
Bob & Chris Dray .....	525-5041
<b>Board President</b>	
Leigh Drewry .....	525-3229
<b>Membership</b>	
Jim Hyres .....	525-1606
<b>Snack Bar</b>	
Anne Drewry .....	525-3229
<b>Swimming Lessons</b>	
Brittany Dray .....	525-5041
<b>Tennis Lessons</b>	
Kendra Turner .....	907-0409
Or .....	525-1968
<b>Stingray Swim Team President</b>	
Trey Tanner .....	525-0742

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