



Thank you Denise

for 33 great years!

Greetings!

I hope this note finds you and yours well!

For kicks, let's take a trip down memory lane and recall the summer of 1987. *RoboCop* was released, Whitney Houston was at the top of the charts, and the 200th anniversary of the United States Constitution was celebrated around the country. It's also when we opened the doors of the Witherell Recreation Center and welcomed our first members, including some of you! And you know who was there, too? The one and only Denise Holden.

Denise was the first member services employee at our facility and she continued to take care of our members for thirty-three years. As you know, Denise is the epitome of kindness and caring. She is quick with a smile, a hello, and a laugh. Denise has been planning to retire for a few months and she picked today - May 1st - as her official last day with us. We will all miss Denise! When we can safely gather again, we will have a proper send-off to celebrate her retirement and you are invited. Stay tuned for details. In the meantime, we are encouraging members to mail Denise a card to share your well wishes. Here's the address:

CCBA
Attn: Denise
PO BOX 386
Lebanon, NH 03766

**#Giving
Tuesday**

(MAY 5th)

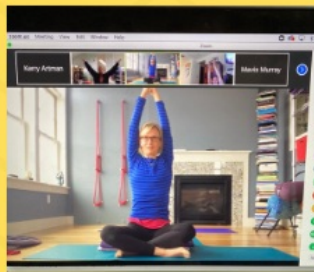


In response to the unprecedented need of so many, there will be a national "Day of Giving" next Tuesday, May 5th. We have a goal to raise \$80,000 to help cover costs we incurred when we closed our facilities in March, including paying our employees and maintaining both of our well-loved buildings. In the past month, we've received \$5,000. Thank you to everyone who has pitched in to help us out! We are so grateful for your support!

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I'm sure you are wondering when we will be opening again. We are, too! We spent the week reviewing new federal guidelines for businesses as well as following the New Hampshire Economic Reopening Task Force for updates. This afternoon, Governor Sununu announced "Stay at Home 2.0" which lasts through May 31. We are planning ahead, working on "phase one" scenarios that would satisfy health and safety guidelines and might still allow members in-person access to fitness classes outside. In terms of opening the Witherell Recreation Center itself, it's still too soon to know the reopening date. The Carter Community Building will also be closed until we know we can sanitize it safely and keep our members and employees healthy.

Lastly, we miss you! We have a lot of team Zoom meetings and on every one we note how much the energy that you all bring to our buildings is what makes our jobs so fun. It came up again on our final team Zoom meeting with Denise this week. All I'm going to say is there wasn't a dry eye on that screen! Let's all raise a glass to Denise, and thank her for showing us all what loyalty, patience, and kindness look like - three attributes we can all benefit from right now. Thank you, Denise!

Cheers,
Kerry

Kerry Artman, Executive Director

