



## The CRA is excited to announce Pool Area Upgrades

- The pool roof and HVAC (heating, ventilation and air conditioning) need to be replaced. The roof is collapsing and the HVAC is 5 years past it's average life-time. Both the roof and HVAC will be replaced starting in April, 2019.
- This project will be funded by the W. Murray Crane Trustees and will not impact the CRA budget.
- The pool will be closed for approximately six weeks.
- Your pool membership will be extended for the length of time the pool is closed.

Over the years, the CRA has kept up with necessary improvements to the building to ensure that we can continue to offer high quality programming and uphold the beauty and functionality of our historic building. This has been possible entirely due to the generosity of the W. Murray Crane Trustees and we are fortunate that these expenses have not impacted our operating budget.

Our swimming pool is a popular and important part of the CRA and the place where generations of local families have learned to swim. It has been in place since we opened in 1923 and is, to the best of our knowledge, the oldest indoor pool in Massachusetts. Over the years, upgrades have occurred, but the roof over the pool and HVAC equipment, which normally has a lifespan of 12 to 15 years, hasn't been updated in 20 years. This makes these items critically overdue priorities to our infrastructure.

For this reason, the CRA is making plans to upgrade the swimming pool area. Hill Engineering has completed the architectural and engineering design work and Pittsfield Pipers and Baroli Construction will begin the project at the end of April, 2019. This project will take approximately six weeks and, unfortunately, the pool will have to be closed during that timeframe. We regret having to close the pool but we will be unable to control air and water temperatures during the project and the construction site will be unsafe for our members.

Please continue to use other parts of the CRA, including the fitness center, exercise classes and Pickleball while the project is underway. Due to the pool closure, we will extend your pool membership for the length of time the pool is closed.

**We apologize for the inconvenience and thank you for your patience during renovations.**

**We look forward to seeing you back in the pool in June!**



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