

## 2014 VPCA Board Nominees



**Sean Dammann**

My name is Sean Dammann. You might also know me as Tammy's husband or Carter & Carlin's father. On occasion you might see me playing guitar with my The Dammages at the luau.

An Atlanta native, I grew up in Virginia Highland and moved to Decatur in 1994. As a member at Venetian Pools in the late 70's/early 80's, I remember the diving pool, the high dive and the sloopy pops. My family re-joined as permanent members in 2006.

By day I serve as a Realtor and Managing Broker for Keller Williams Metro Atlanta in downtown Decatur. I have previously served on the Board of Directors for the Decatur Business Association (past President 2011), the Decatur-DeKalb YMCA and the Paideia Alumni Association (class of '88).

I believe it is important to honor the tradition and history of Venetian pools while keeping a keen eye on tomorrow. Key areas of concern are managing a fiscally responsible association while constantly looking for ways to enhance member benefits, facilities and activities.



**Jim Hanna**

I prefer to make an inspiring first impression by noting my geographical pedigree which includes growing up in West Virginia and then starting my "higher education" in Tennessee. Later, after buying wingtips, I moved to Atlanta and became a resort architect. I am an effervescent figure, often seen climbing parapets and outwitting constructors. I have been known to renovate my neighbor's home on my lunch break. I manage time ably which includes time for naps but not exercise. I have never watched Keeping up with the Kardashians. For what it is worth, I can hurl tennis rackets at small moving objects with deadly accuracy.

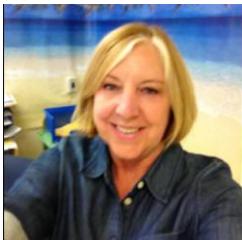
If you are still reading this, I am a small business owner in Decatur who married up and have two great boys still in CSD. I have been an arbitrator and have worked on committee-run clubs as an architect. I am a past president of a condominium association and was on session at my church (including the personnel committee). After several years of recovery therapy for these endeavors, it is time to step up again in the "board" arena. I would welcome the opportunity to help out more at our great Community Pool.



**Catherine Moore**

I've been a member of Venetian Community Pool Association from the very beginning of its establishment as a community owned pool. As a matter of fact, I learned to swim at Venetian when it was still owned and operated by the Baker family. I cannot begin to imagine a summer without this pool. I enjoy seeing old friends and making new ones. As a retired Fernbank Elementary teacher, it pleases me to see my former students employed as lifeguards, working behind the front desk, or working the snack bar, as well as watching them dive and play. I care about the community aspect of our varied group members. Younger or older, single or family, swim team or lap swimmer, we are all one in or joy of this summer swimming treasure we share here at Venetian. It is important to me that I take on my fair share of the work needed to keep this association running as smoothly as possible. Venetian is a friendly, welcoming, and happy place. Being a member has enriched my life, and I feel it is time for me to give back to this wonderful community.

Thank you,  
Catherine Moore



**Patricia Solomon**

My name is Patricia Solomon. I am married to Doug Solomon and we have three daughters – Amy, Jenny, and Anna. We have been members of VPCA since Venetian Pools became Venetian Pools Community Association and the “pool” has always been a big part of our lives. All of my girls have been on the swim team, gone to camp, and worked as junior guards then as lifeguards. One of the really special things about the pool for our girls has been the chance to meet other children from different schools and communities. They all looked forward every year to seeing their “summer-time” friends and a really special part is that many of these friends have become close lifelong friends (including being bridesmaids in each other’s weddings). My husband and I also enjoy sharing relaxed evenings and delicious meals at the pool with old friends and with new pool friends we have met each year.

As you can probably tell VPCA is an important part of our lives and because of that I have served on the Board twice before and my husband has also served. I am running for the Board again because I want to help keep a good thing going. I respect the hard work of the current board and would like to help continue the positive and progressive efforts they have started. I feel I can offer experience, perspective as a long-time member, time, energy and commitment to keeping Venetian the special community that it is.



**Paul Thim**

We have been members of Venetian Pools for twenty years, and for the past two years I have served on the board. My area of responsibility has been the facilities, which has involved working (with others) on our annual work day, completing the pool renovation and re-plastering, installing the new grills, as well as ongoing maintenance and repairs. I have agreed to run for another term for several reasons. One is that the board has recently discussed conducting a facilities review that will help us plan for the ongoing upkeep of our facilities, and I would like to be a part of that process. Another is that I have learned much about our facilities in the past two years, and I am now in a position to pass that information on to newer board members. A third reason is that I would like to see us continue to make appropriate upgrades to our facilities, as we have done with the pool renovation and the new grills and as we are currently doing with the area on the other side of the creek.



**Jill Thompson**

I grew up at Venetian and so I have a great love for my "neighborhood pool". When I moved back to Pinetree Drive I immediately got on the wait list for membership. I have been a member for a while now and love the community atmosphere and swim enthusiasts. I have a Masters in Health Education and work at Druid Hills Golf Club.