

As the holiday season is among us and the staff gears up for our busy season I like to reflect back on the many positives of 2017. We had an increase in the number of Carmen Fusco baseball and softball teams from the facility, many of which achieved success in their summer tournaments. The summer camp was well attended and at the end I had a special goodbye to our all college athletes. Winter Camp is here and our athletes are working hard at their agility skills. It is always great to see our current students improve their skills and we always welcome the new students the opportunity to grow.

There have been changes at the facility lately as I am entertaining some fresh ideas that will enable us to grow and reach more students. I have begun an online scheduling system that will eliminate the need for "the book." I have brought in a Coke Cola vending machine with more options than just water that was in the cooler. I have hired more instructors and during the week will be giving more lessons. Lastly I have plans to update the pro shop. As with any change there is always a learning period but hopefully in the end they will be well received.

Perhaps the biggest change around the facility has been the hiring of Lisa Baker. Lisa is a full time employee and Director of Softball Operations. I want to address the rumors and state that she has NOT partnered with me as I am still the sole owner of the business. My goal is to build the softball program to the same level of the baseball program. Lisa is an enthusiastic employee and has been instrumental in coaching the softball teams, giving lessons, working at the camps, and assisting me in day to day tasks in the office. She also brings with her computer skills that are enabling me to make many of the changes.

I am looking forward to everything that 2018 has to bring. I always tell our students to embrace change to better themselves and as a learning facility we are doing the same.

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