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Capital City Marathon seeking new race director for 2019 event

OLYMPIA – The Capital City Marathon Association (CCMA) is looking for a runner-oriented person to take on the job of race director at the conclusion of its 2018 event.

The successful candidate will have the opportunity to work alongside the current race director and with the CCMA Board of Directors leading up to the May 2018 event so he or she can become familiar with how the race is organized. The new race director will take on the full responsibility beginning in September 2018, when the current director, Nona Snell, will step down.

“With Nona as our anchor since 2012, the event has absolutely flourished,” said CCMA President Judy Hartmann. “She has given her heart and soul to the marathon and all of its related events. We feel truly fortunate that she will continue to volunteer her talent with us in another capacity.”

The CCMA is a nonprofit, all-volunteer organization whose primary goal is to improve the health and well-being of the South Sound community through running. For 37 years it has organized the Capital City Marathon, which is held annually the third weekend in May and is comprised of a 1-mile Kids Run, 5-mile run, half marathon and marathon. More than 2,200 people participate each year.

The CCMA Board, to which the race director is accountable, will select the new race director.

“With our reliance on 500-plus volunteers, we view the Capital City Marathon as an event that belongs to and helps define this community. It is our hope that the next race director shares this vision,” Hartmann said.

Ideally the new race director is able to commit to the position for a minimum of five years, Hartmann said. Additionally, the successful candidate will be:

- highly motivated;
- a stickler for details;
- creative;
- runner-oriented; and
- able to manage multiple tasks and perform well under pressure.

They should also value team-work because the race director works closely with the individual members of the Board – all of whom coordinate an aspect of the race – and is supported by an assistant race director, Hartmann added.

A full list of race director responsibilities, as well as a candidate interest form, is available on the Capital City Marathon website: www.capitalcitymarathon.org. Interviews will begin in January 2018.

Can't commit to being race director, but still have a passion for the event? There are other opportunities to be involved. Contact Judy Hartmann at merjlh@comcast.net

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