

The Pool Is Open!

This summer season has seen a pleasant start, and to keep that going, here are a few reminders about the pool rules:



Children under the age of 14 **MUST** be accompanied by an adult 18 or older. Unaccompanied children will be asked to leave by any adult present.

Pool passes required. If you do not have a pool pass and/or key, you must contact William Douglas Management for a pass and pool key.

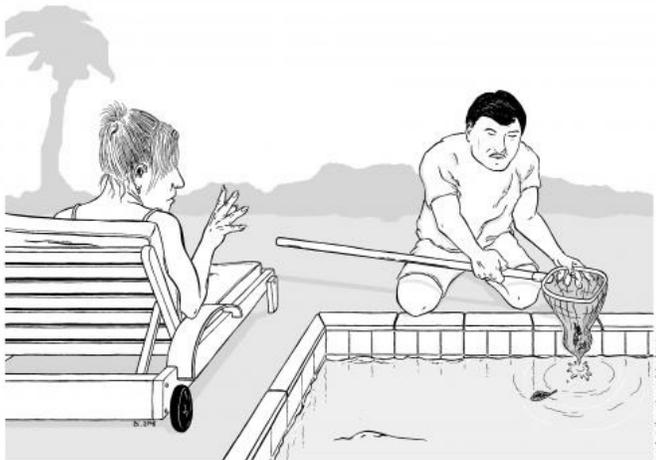
Bikes, skateboards, skates and/or scooters are not permitted in the pool area under any circumstances.

Pets are not permitted in the pool area at any time due to obvious health and safety concerns.

The pool on Deshler Ct is for the use of Bennington Place II owners, residents and their guests ONLY. Bennington Place I owners, residents and guests must use their pool, and we are not allowed to use theirs.

Please continue to be respectful of other pool guests. Please refrain from cursing, yelling and playing loud music in the pool area.

The pool is open from 7 am to 10 pm
(11 pm. on weekends)



CAN YOU CHECK THE FILTER? I SOMEHOW MISS THE DOG.

Drowning - The Tragic Reality

Why do we insist children under the age of 14 **MUST** be accompanied by an adult 18 or older?

Drowning is the 2nd leading cause of injury death in the USA in the under 15's.

In 18 of the 50 states, drowning was the number one cause of unintentional injury death of children 1 to 4 years of age.

67% of all drownings occur in backyard spas, pools and bathtubs.

The majority of drowning incidents have occurred while the child's supervisor assumed the child was safely indoors.

A child can drown in less time than it takes to answer the telephone.

A child can drown in as little as 5-8cm of water in as little as 30 seconds.

Children less than 5 years of age and young people aged 15 to 24 years have the highest drowning rates.

For every child who drowns, four children are hospitalized for near-drowning.

One third of those removed from water after a near-drowning are comatose on admission, survive but suffer significant neurological impairment. Irreversible brain damage may occur after 3-5 minutes.

The annual cost of care per year in a chronic care facility for an impaired survivor of a near-drowning event is approximately \$100 000. Beyond the obvious emotional trauma caused by sudden death or stress brought on by a near drowning, please consider the ultimate possibility that the HOA would become solely responsible for such an event. This in-turn raises insurance premiums and ultimately your monthly HOA Assessment.

As reported by the following organizations -
The American Academy of Pediatrics - Committee on injury and poison prevention.
World Health Organization Guidelines for safe recreational water environments - Vol 2 swimming pools, spas and similar recreational water facilities.

Annual Meeting

The annual meeting has been rescheduled for June 30 at the Carowinds Sleep Inn. Issues to be voted on but not limited to are: assigned parking, restricting the number of rental units and board elections.



Recycling

K&S Sanitation have issued new rules for how to prepare your recycling bins. Bins that are not properly filled will **NOT** be picked up. Guidelines can be found at www.benningtonplace.com



Trash Cans

Trash cans and recycling bins must be put away no later than noon the day following trash pick up. Repeated offenses can and will result in fines.

Water Craft

Water craft of any kind are not to be parked in the community at any time.

For Sale Signs

If you are putting your home up for rent or sale, place all signs in the windows of your home. **Signs must not be posted outside the home and are subject to removal.**

Neighborhood Children

Please be aware we have more children than ever living in our neighborhood, and watch out for them. Parents, please teach your children to walk on the sidewalks, watch out for cars when riding bikes. Several neighborhood trees and shrubs have been destroyed by kids; these will not be replaced until the Fall and parents can be fined for the cost of replacement.

Violation Forms

Printing, filling out and mailing a Violation Form is the most effective way to report a nuisance. Most recently, noise violations have been the biggest complaint. Please respect your neighbors by keeping your TV's and stereos turned down, and avoid slamming doors. Be mindful of visitors as you are responsible for their actions within the neighborhood. Violations may be reported to Shane Loftin and a violation form may be found on our website www.benningtonplace.com



Pet Waste

Due to an increasing number of complaints about pet owners not picking up waste, we are encouraging owners to keep an eye on each other. If you witness an owner leaving waste behind, please report it to William Douglas Management and the owner will be fined. (You must provide the owners address when filing a complaint.) Dog poop carries tons of diseases. The most common disease found in dog feces is Roundworm. Roundworm can cause blindness to children and could also be transferred to adults. Roundworm can develop quickly and lurk on your property for months at a time. While plastic grocery bags are not recommended due to their inability to decompose in landfills, you might consider the Bags on Board Dispenser. Cleaning up after your pet has never been easier using these biodegradable waste pick up bags. Conveniently attaches to any leash so you'll always have bags with you! \$4.99 / Petsmart.



Suspicious Activities

ANY suspicious activities, cars or people in our neighborhood should be reported to 911 immediately.

Community Watch

Please contact Chris Hall at patrick.hall65@gmail.com if you are interested in helping with a community watch group.



Satellite Dishes and Fences

Did you know improper installation of Satellite Dishes could make you solely liable for replacing or repairing damage to your roof? Direct installation of a Satellite Dish or ANY other unapproved installation directly to your roof can and will void all pending warranties. All architectural changes require board approval before installation. The form can be found at www.benningtonplace.com.

Garden of the Month

Got a pretty garden? Want to win a prize? Nominate yourself or a neighbor by sending an email to board@benningtonplace.com.