

## 2010 Pool News

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On Saturday May 29<sup>th</sup>, the PPOA Pool will officially open. Hours of operation are as follows:

10:00 am to 8:00 pm. – Every Day from 5/29 – 8/10

Once school resumes on August 11<sup>th</sup>, hours Monday-Friday will be 4pm-8pm. Saturdays and Sundays will remain open from 10am-8pm

The pool will close for the season on Labor Day – September 6<sup>th</sup>, 2010.

We are once again bringing back our vending machines to help quench your thirst or tempt your palate in the pool breezeway. I know this has been a big hit with children and adults alike of the neighborhood!

If you haven't driven by the pool lately, check it out! A new commercial grade fence was installed last month that has really added to the beauty of our pool area. Not only is it aesthetically pleasing to the eye, but it will also prevent the climbers we've had in the past from trespassing during non-swimming hours. We're also in the process of purchasing new umbrellas for all of the tables. To help maintain their beauty and effectiveness, if you're having trouble adjusting an umbrella, please ask for help from a lifeguard.

Our beautiful flowered planters will also be returning. We've been so lucky to have Kercheval Gardens provide these for us the past few years. We highly suggest you keep them in mind for your own flowering & gardening needs. Kercheval Gardens provides unique and/or unusual annuals, perennials, Mexican pottery, iron & fountains. They are located only 20 minutes away in Cicero. Contact Max Kercheval at 758-4567 or visit their website at [www.Kerchevalgardencenter.com](http://www.Kerchevalgardencenter.com). They, by far, beat out the competition in both beauty and prices!

### PRIVATE POOL PARTIES

Did you know that you can also book the pool for a private party after hours? If you would like to explore this option, please contact Kirkpatrick Management. A \$50 deposit secures your date and \$100 gives you the rental of the facility from 9-11pm. A lifeguard must be present and pre-paid at the beginning of the event at the rate of \$25/hour. For more information, you can contact Kathy Cross at [kcross@ekirkpatrick.com](mailto:kcross@ekirkpatrick.com) or 570-4358.

## Rules and Regulations section

This is basically a repeat of last year's R&R section – the only **MAJOR CHANGE** is that instead of having volunteers from our communities monitor the check-in process, a paid staff member of Pyles Pools (our new Pool Management Company) will be monitoring this from open to close EVERY SINGLE DAY! This will take the brunt off our volunteers/homeowner's and will be strictly enforced by the monitor and/or police. There will be NO EXCEPTIONS this year – these monitors don't know us and you don't know them, if you come to the pool without your ID & key, you WON'T be allowed entry. *Everyone over the age of 16 will be required to show a state-issued ID or Driver's License with a PPOA address on it, along with their gold pool key in order to gain access to the pool.*

As was set last year, the age to be at the pool unattended by an adult was 12 *with the following stipulation:*

If you are 12 or 13 years old, you will be required to schedule and pass a swimming test to be administered by one of our lifeguards. It's pretty basic: swim the length of the pool, tread water and dive down to the deep end of the pool to retrieve an object. As I write this, we are still discussing dates and times with Pyle's Pools to accomplish this. We will have at least 5 dates for you to choose from and will post them on the pool's bulletin board and on our website once we've nailed them down. The website address is [www.parkshorepoa.org](http://www.parkshorepoa.org). A parent will be required to accompany the child to the swimming test. The parent and child/children will have to sign a contract and pay \$5 per child to take the swimming test. Once you have passed, the lifeguard will sign the contract and the child's name and age will be entered into our log book. A sibling of a child 12 and older may accompany them if they are 10 or 11, however they too will have to take and pass the swimming test.

If you are 14 or older, you will need to bring ID. The best way to do this is to bring either your Fishers Jr. High or Fishers High School ID's. This tells us you are 14 or older. If you are 16, just bring your driver's license or a copy of your driver's license.

Our Pool Compliance Rule will also continue to apply. Since younger children will be allowed to come to the pool alone, residents wanted their actions to be monitored. We already have a rule about rowdy horseplay and foul language, but this year there will be consequences should it happen. This really applies to anyone of any age, but let me just reiterate that if you come to the pool and act inappropriately, use foul language, or anything the lifeguards deem destructive you will be given a "strike". The strike will be marked in the logbook and you will be asked to leave the pool for the day. If it happens again, you will be ejected for the rest of the pool season. I honestly hope this won't be an issue – and we didn't have a big problem with it last season. Keep in mind that our lifeguards are just that – LIFE GUARDS! They aren't pool nazi's or babysitters, but the police or a Board member will be called if need be. So if you come to the pool, please just be on your best behavior and HAVE FUN! Parents – we're asking for your help here with your children. The pool is a PRIVILEGE – not a right, and we need your help in sharing in this responsibility with your kids.

We also had complaints last year about residents not wanting to bring their driver's licenses. We understand your concern and came up with a solution. **COPY YOUR LICENSE AND LAMINATE IT** – keep it in your pool bag or whatever you bring with you to the pool, you could even punch a hole in it and attach it to your keychain with your pool key to make it easier to remember. Once again, no one will be allowed admittance to the pool without your gold key and ID. If you've moved here recently, now is the time to update your license or state ID – the address and name **MUST** match what we have in our logbook.

If you are a babysitter or nanny for a PPOA resident, you will be allowed to bring a resident's child to the pool if said babysitter/nanny is at least 16 years old. They don't need to be resident's of our community, but they **MUST** bring a driver's license or State-issued ID. We're also asking that parents who have a sitter or nanny, call or email me beforehand and give me their names/name. We will enter those names in the logbook next to the residents name so the monitors know who they are and whose children they have in their care. Babysitters/nannies will NOT be allowed to bring friends, boyfriends, etc. Only the resident's children they've been entrusted with will be allowed entry.

The monitoring system will be in place just as it was last year. The Pyles Pool Monitor will have the up-to-date dues & resident list provided by Kirkpatrick Management. Upon entering the pool, you will be asked to show your key and ID. Anyone age 14-15 will need to show their jr. high or sr. high school ID's. A child who has passed the swim test will already be marked in our book and therefore will not need an ID, but they may be asked a series of questions to verify they are who they say they are. Any pool committee member, PPOA Board Member, adult or lifeguard reserves the right to ask to see your ID and key at any time. If you fail to provide it, you will be asked to leave to retrieve it. Any disrespectful actions or comments will result ejection from the pool area and/or a call to the police.

Speaking of police, we've once again hired the same Fishers police officers we've had the last 2 years to assist us in monitoring the pool, park and neighborhood areas for the summer season. You'll see these officers walking, patrolling, and watching our neighborhood very closely.

I hope we all have a great summer! The Board and the Committee's really are working hard to serve you, we welcome your input – it's YOUR community too!

## 2010 POOL RULES

### KEYS & ID CARDS FOR NEW RESIDENTS AVAILABLE AT KIRKPATRICK MGMT. DUES MUST BE CURRENT. REPLACEMENT FOR LOST KEYS/CARDS - \$10 EACH

1. All persons using the pool do so at their own risk and sole responsibility.
2. All pool parties must be booked with Kirkpatrick Management.
3. Everyone must shower before entering the pool. Use of oils and lotions must be washed off to avoid gumming up the filters and making the pool water cloudy.
4. Food and drink may be consumed only in the eating area. No food allowed on the pool apron. Please clean off your table, pick up your trash and place in trash cans when you finish. NO ALCOHOLIC beverages permitted at the pool or at pool parties. NO SMOKING in the pool area.
5. Please be considerate when inviting guests, especially when the pool is crowded. Resident must be present with guests at all times. Priority will be given to dues paying members.
6. Children under the age of 12 must be accompanied by a responsible adult who is a paid PPOA member. Children age 12-14 must pass a swimming test to be left at the pool unattended by an adult. Siblings age 10-11 of said children must also pass the swimming test to accompany their older sibling. Babysitters/nannies must be at least 16 years old with a valid driver's license or state issued ID. Parents must contact the Pool Chairperson and give this information before they will be allowed entry. Only children of the association will accompany said babysitter/nanny – no friends or guests of the babysitter/nanny will be allowed entry. During adult swim periods, all those under age 18 must sit out. Infants or non-swimming children may accompany adults during this time.
7. Pets are NOT allowed in the pool area.
8. No running, pushing or rowdy horseplay. No foul language or bullying. No standing or sitting on someone's shoulders in the pool. No playing on the ladders or float line. Only 4" pool balls allowed in pool, but must not be thrown at others. No hard objects in the pool (Frisbees, balls, etc.) NO DIVING at any time. Violation may result in ejection from the pool.
9. Baby pool is restricted to children six (6) and younger when accompanied by an adult. Babies and toddlers must wear approved swimming pool diapers at all times.
10. Only swimsuits may be worn in the water, no street clothes are permitted in the water (Indiana State Department of Health 410 IAC 6-21.-36).
11. Anytime fecal matter is discovered in the pool, it will be closed for 24-hours. Board of Health requires immediate closure due to E-coli and other health risks. Please do not use pool if you've had diarrhea within 2 weeks.
12. Persons having infectious diseases, open sores, bandages, cuts or recent vaccinations must not enter the pool area.
13. Lifeguards will close the pool if lightening is sighted or advised to close by the Pool Management Company due to approaching storms.
14. The PPOA is not responsible for lost or stolen articles, accidents or injuries. When leaving the pool area, be sure to pick up all your things.
15. Please keep lifeguards informed if restrooms need attention.

16. There is to be absolutely no glass in or around the pool area to include the eating area and the restrooms.