Pool Incidents - Resident assistance requested

On Sunday August 25, there were two separate incidents where groups of teenage boys engaged in vandalism and dangerous behavior at the pool, all of which was captured by our security cameras.

In the first incident, four boys jumped the fence shortly after 11:00 am and proceeded to:

- Remove a drain cover from hot tub damaging the drain attachment (this created a dangerous situation that required closing the pool as soon as it was discovered)
- Attempted to climb onto the pool house roof damaging shingles
- Moved picnic tables to the deep end edge of the pool, soaped and hosed them down, and then repeatedly ran towards and launched themselves across the tables into the pool
- Threw a pavilion umbrella and metal chair into the pool and dragged the umbrella around damaging it
- Tried to move or push over the soda machine
- Poured soap into the hot tub

In the second incident, shortly after 7:00 pm, a group of ~10 boys used an uninvolved resident's card to get into the pool (which had signs up indicating it was closed due to the earlier incident) and proceeded to:

- Engage in same behavior with the picnic tables
- More soap in the hot tub

An unidentified adult put an end to the second round.

These incidents were preceded by two incidents earlier in the summer in which a group of boys:

- Poured soap in the hot tub and repeatedly rode a skateboard into it
- Kicked out both shower doors punching a hole in one of the shower walls
- Knocked out a grill slat in the pool house equipment room door

All of this topped off a summer in which the board felt it necessary to hire security patrols to address many resident complaints about bad teenage behavior at the pool.

The board is asking for neighborhood assistance in identifying the culprits so that they may be held to account. Video footage indicates most or all of them came to the pool via golf cart, so our suspicion is that most or all are neighborhood residents. Our intent is to take prudent measures to reduce problems next year, including imposing fines to cover costs of damages and security patrols, and to ban the worst offenders from using the pool next season.

Please review screen shots from both incidents located in the 'Pool Incidents" folder in the 'Property Owner Resources' section of this website and contact our management office at 886-8606 or jean@clubmanagementservices.com if you can provide useful information. <u>View Pool incidents!</u>

Sincerely,

The SMPOA Board