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Dear Residents and Neighbors,

On June 4, the Countrylane Woods II Trustees reviewed the St. Louis County Public Water Recreation Facilities Guidelines to evaluate the possibility of opening the pool this summer. We are unable to open the pool this year like we have done for the last 43 years. We are in a global pandemic and our county is responsible for 1/3 of all the cases and deaths in the State of Missouri. Keeping that in mind the St Louis County Health Department has issued these guidelines for pools like CLWII. (<https://stlcorona.com/dr-pages-messages/covid-19-safe-operating-protocols/reopening-criteria-for-st-louis-county-public-water-recreation-facilities-pwrf/>).

We operate our pool under an annual permit issued by the County. Any violations will result in closure for either a period of time or the remainder of the season.

These requirements include but not limited to:

- Swimming in shifts, after each shift the pool must be cleared and surfaces sanitized. You must then go to the rear of the line (if there is one) even if you have only been in the pool for 20 minutes or less.
- Reduced capacity to no more than 48 at a time & no guests allowed
- Add sneeze-guards at check-in
- No use of subdivision pool furniture. You must bring your own
- Anyone over the age of 2 is required to have a mask on if not in the pool
- One way traffic around the pool and in and out of rest rooms
- A person in street clothes will be there to enforce. Anyone who does not conform will be required to leave. Our pool management company could not supply this under our existing contract.

After careful review and consideration, the trustees determined that we could not adhere to the new protocols and assume the risk of pool closure. All Trustees concurred to close the pool for the summer. Prioritizing the safety of our residents is highest priority. This was a difficult decision that will impact our residents since the pool is one our most notable features of our community. However, these tough choices will enable us to best use our resources to ensure the pool and community area is even better in 2021. The following projects will be completed this year in lieu of the pool operating costs with your HOA fees: These repairs now will also help to offset future increases in assessments to make these needed repairs

- Coping stones fixed
- New pool perimeter fence
- New chemical control systems for both the lap and Z pool
- Pool leak repaired in the lap pool
- New ventilation fans for pump room
- Updated electric in pump rooms

Along with the pool cancellation, the National Night Out event scheduled for August has also been cancelled. Additionally, due to the many changes and cancellations surrounding COVID-19, we will not print and mail the July – September newsletter. It will be electronically published by 7/1 on our website. If you would like to receive an email when the newsletter is available or prefer a printed copy, please email 1978NTB2@gmail.com or call the office. As always, visit our website and Facebook page for current information.

Thank you,

The Trustees of CLWII