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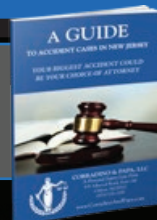
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GOLF CARTS HAVE *expanded* their territory

In the 1970s, golf carts began branching out from the fairways. Today, they are also a popular mode of transportation at gated and retirement communities, airports, sports facilities, college campuses, resorts, and farms, among other places.

Although golf carts are smaller, slower, and less intimidating-looking than cars, they can be just as dangerous. According to the Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC), there are roughly 15,000 accidents each year involving golf carts that require ER visits, with some fatalities mixed in. Over 30 percent involve children under age 16.

Many golf carts lack safety features such as seatbelts, doors, turn signals, and rollover bars. The CPSC states that nearly 40 percent of serious golf cart injuries occur when passengers are thrown from the vehicle, mostly during sharp turns. Handholds and hip-restraint bars affixed to the passenger seat are frequently inadequate to restrain passengers in these instances. Rollovers and overcrowding are problems, too.

Most golf carts are designed for speeds ranging from 10 to 25 mph. To be street-legal, golf carts must achieve speeds of 20 to 25 mph and generally can't be driven on roads with speed limits greater than 35 mph. Some additional requirements include seatbelts, lights (e.g., headlights, turn signals, brake lights, etc.), a horn, and a driver's license.

Golf carts generally weigh between 500 and 1,000 pounds. Even at "low" speeds, collisions can be devastating; same for passenger ejections. Distracted and impaired driving play roles in some golf cart incidents as well.

Golf carts are fun, convenient, and cost-effective but should never be taken lightly. If you or a family member is injured due to negligence, contact **Corradino & Papa** to schedule a free consultation. ■



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SPLASHING, FROLICKING ... and falling

During the summer, community pools and pools at hotels, theme parks, resorts, vacation rentals, and private residences are destination points. They are a refreshing way to beat the heat! However, amidst the fun, injuries sometimes intrude. Drowning incidents may come to mind first, understandably, but don't overlook slip-and-fall injuries.

Many pools open to paying guests incorporate textured concrete and nonslip coatings with their decks to provide better footing, but unattended spills of food, drinks, or sunscreen along with algae buildup can create treacherous conditions. Forceful human contact with concrete typically doesn't end well for the human. Injuries range from sprains and fractures to spinal and traumatic brain injuries. Potential drowning rears its ugly head when a slip-and-fall victim is sent plunging into the pool.

Changing-room and restroom floors frequently see water accumulation with foot traffic between the pool area and these locations. Concrete and tile floors can become slick in a hurry.

Diving boards may be poorly maintained, lack slip-resistant materials, or be defective. Same thing with diving board and water slide ladders, and steps leading into the pool.

Victims of slip-and-fall incidents typically need to prove that the pool owner knew of the hazardous condition, or should have known in the course of exercising routine, reasonable care to keep guests safe — their legal responsibility. Pool owners need to anticipate the risk of falls by utilizing traction mats and nonslip materials, posting warnings, and properly maintaining pool features and surrounding areas.

If you or a family member is injured by a slip-and-fall at a pool, the pool owner and/or product manufacturer may be liable for damages. Contact [Corradino & Papa](#) to protect your rights. ■

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keep grillin' season safe!



According to the National Fire Protection Association, 10,000+ American households each year experience home/outdoor grill-related fires. To maximize safety for **gas grills**, check your gas cylinder hose, valve, and regulator assembly for leaks with the “soapy water test” (YouTube can help):

- Make sure the valve of the gas tank cylinder is closed.
- Coat the entire hose assembly with soapy water (spray bottles work well).
- Open the valve of your gas cylinder **without turning on your grill** to pressurize the hose.
- If bubbles form anywhere, you have a leak. Shut off the cylinder valve and get your grill serviced.
- Check for leaks at the beginning of grill season and with each replacement/refill of the gas tank.

When turning on the gas, the grill lid should be open (to avoid gas buildup). If you smell gas and there is no flame, turn off the gas tank and get the grill serviced. If you smell gas while cooking, call the fire department **immediately** (don't move the grill). After cooking, double-check that the valve is completely closed.

For **charcoal grills**, use only *lighter fluid* to light charcoals, and never add it to already flaming or hot coals. Place lighter fluid far from heat sources.

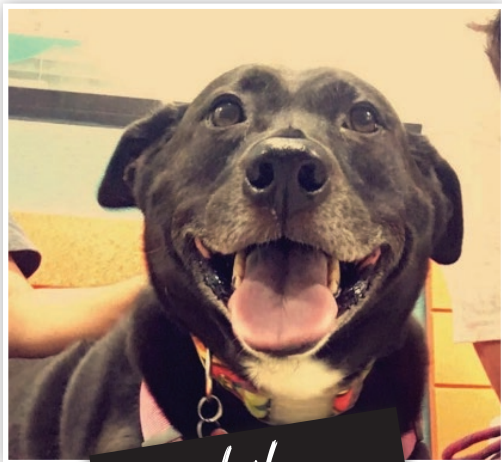
Inspect the grill for rust damage. Hot coals may fall through holes and become loose cannons.

Place any grill on a level surface, at least 10 feet away from buildings and deck railings, and don't use under overhangs, near tree branches, or in a tent or garage. Never leave a grill unattended; keep young kids and pets at a distance.

And remember, charcoal grills remain hot for hours after use. Clean grills after each use, and store them away from the house.

Have a safe and scrumptious grilling season! ■

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spotlight of the month

This is Leila, and she is part of Ashlee's family. She is 12 years old and is a mixed Labrador retriever. Leila was adopted when she was just a few months old when she became a member of the family. She is the sweetest angel and is truly one of a kind. ■

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understanding personal injuries ON COLLEGE CAMPUSES

Personal Injuries on college campuses is an undermined yet critical topic that does not get enough of the spotlight as it should. The college phase is one of those exciting times in a young adult's life that they have been looking forward to since childhood. A time when they can learn more, grow, explore, have some level of freedom and make new friends for life. But life always has its ways of surprising us, and unfortunately, the whole college phase may not end up as such a bed of roses for every student out there.

As a parent or a college candidate, if you are worried about what personal injuries on college campuses you can fall victim too, then keep reading to learn more kinds of personal damages on college campuses.

Here's an account on the kind of damages and injuries your child or you may fall a victim to. This may happen accidentally due to corrupt conduct from peers.

Substance Abuse

Substance abuse and drug violations have been reported to increase consistently in college premises. Students don't care when they are told to 'say no to drugs.' College Campuses become an open and free ground for drug violations coupled with domestic violence and self-harm obsessions. If your child ended up in an ER due to one such toxic activity, then reach out to Corradino & Papa to discuss the damage claims and hold the college liable for negligence.

Accidents

Accidents within the college premises are an all-time possibility. If a student slipped on the sidewalks or along the pavement due to ice or litter, don't hesitate to file damage claims against the college administration for being irresponsible in securing college infrastructure. If your child got hit by a motorcyclist accidentally or intentionally, that could also be dealt with promptly, by involving your attorney to claim injury damages.

Let the experienced attorneys at [Corradino & Papa](#) assist you in fighting for your child's rights and damage settlement. Call Corradino & Papa today for a free consultation. ■



July 2021 – Mark Your Calendars

July 1 – Joke Day	July 3 – Cherry Pit Spitting Day	July 7 – Chocolate Day
July 8 – Blueberry Day	July 13 – French Fries Day	July 18 – Ice Cream Day
	July 29 – Chicken Wing Day	

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Quote of the Month: "Twenty years from now you will be more disappointed by the things that you didn't do than by the ones you did do. So throw off the bowlines. Sail away from the safe harbor. Catch the trade winds in your sails. Explore. Dream. Discover." —Mark Twain

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blueberry dump cake

Servings: 4; prep/total time: 30 min.

Fresh blueberries take on a perfect "jammy" consistency in the oven as the cake mix turns golden brown and crispy. This recipe is a fun take on a cobbler with way less work. Simply dump on the cake mix and get to baking!

Ingredients

- 6 c. blueberries
- 1/4 c. granulated sugar
- 1 tsp. pure vanilla extract
- Juice of 1/2 a lemon
- 1/4 tsp. cinnamon
- 1 box yellow cake mix
- 1/2 c. (1 stick) cold butter, cut into small cubes
- Whipped topping, for serving

Directions

1. Preheat oven to 350°. In a medium bowl, combine blueberries, sugar, vanilla, lemon juice, and cinnamon. Pour into a 9"x13" baking pan. Pour cake mix on top and spread into an even layer. Dot top all over with butter and bake until top is golden and fruit is bubbly, 1 hour.
2. Serve warm with whipped topping. ■

