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that temporary home AWAY FROM HOME

Vacation home rentals are big business. Approximately 60 million Americans took the plunge in 2022, and with online rental platforms such as Airbnb, Vrbo, and Booking.com, the numbers continue to rise. Many find the cost efficiency, added amenities, and extra space of vacation home rentals more enticing than hotels and inns.



While most vacationers have a blast in their temporary abodes, negligence on the part of a property owner and/or management company can lead to injury and put a damper on things. Property owners have an obligation to maintain a reasonably safe home for guests, but some fall short.

The most common vacation rental injuries include slip-and-falls, pool injuries, fires, defective staircases and handrails, and collapsed decks. In the more “exotic” category, events such as a tree branch breaking that supported a rope swing and swinger; bed bugs inflicting skin damage and hitching a ride home with guests; and someone tripping over the lip between a carpeted room and tiled hallway have been known to happen.

If you are injured while vacationing in a rental home ...

- Seek medical help for your injuries, even seemingly minor ones. Some injuries are immediately obvious; others might only surface after several days or more. Seeking medical treatment will officially put you on record and can only help a personal injury claim.
- Gather as much evidence as possible: photos, videos, eyewitness contact info, etc.
- Preserve any waiver you may have been required to sign prior to renting. Many of them are not enforceable.
- Most importantly, if you have been injured as a result of negligence, contact **Corradino & Papa** to attain fair compensation for your injuries. ■

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rear-end collisions

CAN BE TRICKIER THAN THEY APPEAR

If you are hit from behind by another driver, whether at high speed or low speed, injury potential abounds.

What can be problematic about some rear-end collisions is that a person may not immediately feel pain or show any symptoms of bodily damage. It might be days, sometimes longer, before the effects are felt.

Whiplash injuries are prevalent in rear-end collisions. The body jerks forward upon impact, and the head and neck violently snap backward and then “whip” forward, damaging muscles, ligaments, connective tissues, and nerves.

Concussions also occur frequently. A concussion is more than a blow to the head that makes a person see stars; it’s a brain injury that has the potential to impair one’s quality of life well into the future and may have lifelong consequences.

In addition to shoulder injuries, lacerations, broken bones, and disk damage, victims may also experience tinnitus (ringing or buzzing in the ears), dizziness, and sleep disturbances.

Various factors can intensify the effects of a rear-end collision – a driver/passenger wasn’t wearing a seatbelt, their head was turned or tilted at the time of impact, their vehicle was a small car, and the seat did not have a proper (or any) head restraint.

If you’ve been the victim of a rear-end collision, promptly schedule a medical evaluation with your doctor. Insurance companies often scoff at low-speed rear-end collisions and the harm they cause and question the motives of anyone who’s not admitted to the hospital. Contact [Corradino & Papa, LLC](#) and an experienced auto accident attorney will help you to protect your rights. ■



the hole truth ABOUT THE BEACH



Digging holes at the beach is tough to resist, for kids and adults alike. Hey, it’s fun! But every year, lack of knowledge, absence of common courtesy, or taking it to the extreme leads to injuries ... and sometimes death.

Even a small hole that’s left unfilled, partially filled, or filled with unpacked sand can pose hazards to the feet and ankles of beach walkers and runners. It’s even worse after dark, when visibility is obviously limited. Lifeguards and EMTs utilizing beach vehicles can be injured or have their emergency responses delayed too.

Sometimes large holes are dug, the walls of which can collapse and pose serious jeopardy, such as entrapment, suffocation, and crush injuries. For one thing, sand is heavy. According to the U.S. Natural Resources Conservation Service, sand weighs 100–112 pounds per cubic foot; water, 62 pounds. Grains of sand are round, which makes sand unstable — akin to piles of tiny marbles. Seemingly solid, packed sand quickly dries out, making it susceptible to collapse; an incoming wave can spur a watery, sludgy collapse. Sand’s natural properties complicate rescue attempts as well.

Considering the number of beachgoers each year, these events might be considered rare, but on the other hand, they occur with predictable regularity each summer. Tragic news headlines confirm it.

On top of everything else, digging large holes at the beach might damage fragile ecosystems and accelerate the rate of beach erosion.

One rule of thumb is that beach holes should be dug no deeper than knee height of the shortest member of your group. Also, steer clear of dunes (even more unstable); closely supervise children; and fill in any holes you’ve dug with packed sand before exiting the beach. ■

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ROAD DEBRIS, FLYING OBJECTS, trouble

Driving behind a large truck on the highway can be unsettling. Your ability to see what's ahead is cut off, and the truck driver might not be able to see you if you pass. And when following directly behind or adjacent to a large flatbed tractor-trailer hauling a load, objects sometimes fly off the truck (dump trucks and pickups too), which can be terrifying ... and lethal.



On the sigh-of-relief side, the object misses everyone and winds up on the side of the road. On the tragic side, a 1994 incident in Wisconsin killed six young children. The minivan in which they were occupants ran over a chunk of metal that fell from a truck, puncturing the gas tank and igniting an inferno.

A study released by the AAA Foundation for Traffic Safety reported that from 2011–2014, roughly 39,000 injuries and 500 deaths were attributed to road debris. Incidents included vehicles that were directly struck by flying objects; ran over objects lying on the road; or drivers swerved to avoid an object, resulting in an accident.

The most common types of roadway debris include unsecured cargo falling onto a roadway or vehicle; tools, truck tire treads, or other truck parts; and trailers that detach. AAA reports that roadway debris incidents have ballooned 40% since 2001.

Personal injury claims involving trucks can be complex. The truck driver, trucking company, shipping company, or maintenance company — or some combination thereof — may be liable. Throw in obstinate insurance companies and the possibility a truck driver might not have been aware of what happened and continued driving ... it's a handful.

If you are injured by a road debris incident, contact [Corradino & Papa](#) for skilled, thorough, and compassionate representation. ■

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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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fluffy lemon cheesecake

Ingredients

- 2 1/2 cups Golden Grahams™ cereal
- 1/4 cup packed brown sugar
- 1/3 cup butter, melted
- 1 package (8 oz) cream cheese, softened
- 1/3 cup granulated sugar
- 1 cup sour cream
- 2 teaspoons vanilla
- 1 1/2 teaspoons grated lemon peel
- 2 tablespoons fresh lemon juice
- 4 oz (about 1 2/3 cups) Cool Whip frozen whipped topping, thawed

Flag Design

- 25 fresh blueberries (about 1/4 cup)
- 17 fresh raspberries (about 1/2 cup)
- 1/2 cup sliced fresh strawberries



Directions

1. Heat oven to 350°F. Using food processor, finely crush cereal.
2. In medium bowl, mix crushed cereal and brown sugar with fork. Stir in melted butter until well mixed. Press in bottom and up side of ungreased 9-inch pie plate.
3. Bake 8 to 10 minutes or until golden brown. Cool completely, about 30 minutes.
4. Meanwhile, in large bowl, beat cream cheese with electric mixer on medium speed until smooth. Beat in granulated sugar. Add sour cream, vanilla, lemon peel and lemon juice; beat until well mixed. Fold in whipped topping. Refrigerate until ready to fill pie.
5. Spread filling evenly into fully cooled crust. Cover and refrigerate 4 hours to set.
6. For flag design, arrange blueberries in upper left area of pie to create stars; alternately arrange raspberries and strawberry slices in rows over pie to create stripes. Serve immediately. Store covered in refrigerator. ■