

*Gordon-Conwell
Theological Seminary*

**BENNETT
ATHLETIC *and*
RECREATION
CENTER**

◆ *Where is Bennett Located?*

We are located five minutes from Gordon-Conwell Theological Seminary campus in Wenham.

◆ *Directions from Gordon-Conwell Theological Seminary to the Bennett Center*

- ◆ Left out of the Essex Street campus entrance
- ◆ Right onto Rubbly Road
- ◆ Left onto Grapevine Road
- ◆ Bennett Athletic and Recreation Center is on the right
past the main entrance

◆ *Membership Information*

Gordon-Conwell Theological Seminary (GCTS) students, faculty, staff, alumni and their families are invited to use the facility. Family memberships include spouse and dependent children 23 years and younger. Current membership fee pricing is available at the Bennett welcome desk. Memberships are nontransferable, and membership fees will not be prorated for early cancellation except for documented medical reasons.

◆ *Membership Application Procedure*

A completed membership form and Seminary ID must be brought in person to the Bennett welcome desk at the time of enrollment. Key tags for each adult member (14 years or older) are issued. Appropriate payment is expected at the time of enrollment. Checks payable to Gordon College, or cash, is accepted. Membership renewals are also processed at the welcome desk.

Gordon College strongly urges all recreational users to undergo physical examinations to acquire approval from their personal physicians before undertaking any physical activity.

◆ *Bennett Center Access*

The Bennett Athletic and Recreation Center is a controlled-access facility. At each visit members must bring their key tags to check in. The replacement fee for a damaged/lost key tag is \$1. A friendly reminder: ID is required for all check-ins; no ID means no entrance. All users and guests must enter and exit through the main lobby.

The Bennett Center is monitored by closed-circuit digital imaging cameras in many common areas and around entry and exit ways for the safety of users.

◆ *Facility Rental for Groups and Events*

Youth groups, church functions, schools and small groups of guests can find opportunities for fun and recreation in many of our activity areas. Event reservations are made in advance with the facility director, with scheduling preference given to Gordon College faculty, staff and alumni families. All event schedules are subject to the availability of the athletics and recreation programs schedule. Advance reservations are required. Fees for rental are based on the time in the facility, areas utilized and group size. An event contract will be required, as will a certificate of liability insurance for church/school groups.

Member pool parties are available for 10–30 youth or adult users. A lifeguard, pool toys, and classroom or conference room space are included in the pool party fee.

◆ *Swim Lessons*

Gordon's learn-to-swim program seeks to provide aquatic lessons for the children and family of Gordon College and Gordon-Conwell Theological Seminary. Swim lessons take place in the fall, spring and summer. Drop by the Bennett Center welcome desk for a list of group swim sessions offered.

◆ *Frequently Asked Questions*

Does the Bennett Center Provide Child Care?

The Bennett facility was built with collegiate athletics and recreation in mind. While children will find ample opportunities to recreate in our natatorium, gymnasium or racquetball courts, they must have parental supervision at all times while in the facility.

Are Any Fitness Group Classes Available?

We offer a modest session of group fitness classes each quad and twice during the summer—classes such as yoga, kickboxing, pilates, martial arts and water aerobics just to name a few. Personal training sessions are also available. Fitness classes are posted online; registration and payment is expected before class participation.

Are Bennett Members Allowed to Bring Guests?

All current GCTS members are entitled to bring two guests at a time to use the facility. Members must accompany their guest(s) while in the facility and assume the responsibility for the guest(s) to abide by facility policies. Each guest is limited to eight visits per month. Check for day-guest fees and pick up a guest policy brochure at the Bennett Center welcome desk.

Can Gordon-Conwell Alumni Visit Bennett?

GCTS alumni visiting the area may make use of the Bennett facility as guests of the College on a daily basis. Alumni must provide proof of affiliation with the Seminary, complete a guest form, provide a photo ID and pay the day- guest fee. We also offer annual memberships to Gordon- Conwell alumni who reside in the area.

The Bennett Center is Gordon's premier athletic and recreation center. It serves the Gordon College Fighting Scots athletics program and provides a home for campus recreation and fitness. The Bennett Center is a gift to the Gordon community from the family and friends of George and Helen Bennett.

This 77,000-square-foot, \$8-million facility opened in 1996. Facility components include:

- ◆ Concession area with vending
- ◆ Three-full-court gymnasium with center performance court
- ◆ Fitness center with strength stations and free-weight area
- ◆ Physical therapy offices
- ◆ Balance and mobility center
- ◆ Elevated jogging track
- ◆ Three racquetball courts
- ◆ Indoor rock gym
- ◆ Aerobics room
- ◆ Athletic offices
- ◆ Natatorium with six-lane lap pool
- ◆ Men's and women's locker rooms with saunas