



The SKIMMER



San Diego Chapter Monthly Newsletter – March 2004

Next General Meeting: Mar. 17th, 7p, Quality Inn, Mission Room – Mission Valley, 875 Hotel Circle

**MS Walk this Sunday 3/14, Join our Team - March Door prize is \$550, be there to WIN
At March Meeting: 335EN & 405EN Raypak heaters For Sale at 20% below cost
Mar. Speakers: Rob Blake, Blake Sales, SDG&E, Ray Vendetti, Mutual of Omaha on Accident Ins.**

Calendar

3/14, MS Walk 8:00 am

Meet at 7:30 am

SD Embarcadero

Information: John Silcox

(858) 467-0507

3/17, General Meeting

7:00 pm Quality Inn,

Mission Valley

3/20, Chapter Blood

Drive 8:00am

D.Z. Akins 70th St –

Breakfast courtesy of

Dale Eppard

3/25-27, W. P&S Show

Long Beach Conventn

Center Long Beach CA

4/7, Chapter Board

7 p.m. Location TBA

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE.

I am happy to report that John Nichol attended our Chapter Board Meeting this month. He was on crutches but it was good to have him join us. He has less pain and his spirits are up. He still faces a long recovery and thanks all those that are helping him though this recovery. He has received the necessary help with the filters.

The MS Walk is Sunday March 14th. It starts and finishes at the Embarcadero Marina Park North which is a new location this year. This is behind the Convention Center. Join Team IPSSA at the 7:00 AM check in. The walk begins at 8:00 AM. The distance is only 5K this year for all walkers so there will be a minimum investment in time to participate. The Chapter has made a donation in support of this event and it is really a fun time. There is Free Food as well. Participants get a free T-shirt if they raise or

collect \$95 or more. I hope to see a bunch of you there!

The Western Pool and Spa Show is March 25, 26 and 27 this year. This is the Show to go to for Education and Information. Bob Fowler and Jon McArthur are presenting seminars on Acid Washing on the 25th and on Filters on the 27th. There are many good seminars covering a wide range of topics so be sure to go and learn as much as you can. The IPSSA Water Chemistry test will be given on Saturday at 3:00 PM. The Show has great displays of new products. There are lots of prizes given away each year including a pick up truck. Bob Fowler won the truck one-year and I came close several years ago.

Joe Dianna (858) 748-6828 or (858) 774-1712 is interested in getting a bunch of guys to car pool to go to the show. He will rent a van and drive if anyone is interested. Please give him a call.



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IPSSA San Diego - Chapter Supporters (Updated 3/7/04)

Contact	Company	Address	Phone
Robin Benitez	Abcana Industries - Wholesale Pool Chemicals - Pickup & Delivery	545 W. Bradley Ave El Cajon CA 92020	619-444-9900 619-444-9804fax
Terry Van Arsdale advancedsurfacer.com	Advanced Surface Restoration Decks/Patios resurface, waterproof	2404 Deerpark Dr San Diego CA 92110	760-724-6666, 619-276-4444 619-274-6444 FAX
Kenny Lawson	ALLTEC Pools – Underwater specialist -rebar, cracks, light repair	1619 Hillcrest Ln Fallbrook CA 92028	760-731-9998
Daniel Charland americanleakdetection.com	American Leak Detection Electronic Leak Detection & Repair	864 N Second PMB #173 El Cajon CA 92021	619-233-LEAK(5325) 619-442-6551 fax
Mark Qunitero	Aquatic Renovation – Complete Renovations – plaster, tile, decks	8518 Hubbles Ln Santee CA 92071	619-447-0707,619-562-1642fax 619-896-8921 pager
Lori Brumagen bio-dex.com	BIODEX – Superior Line of Pool and /Spa Chemical Products	7720 E. Redford Rd Scottsdale AZ 85260	480-991-3477 480-991-5777 fax
Richard Smith	Blue Moon Pools – Plaster, tile, coping, brick/concrete, equip, plmbg	8606 Argent St. "H" Santee CA 92071	619-258-7665 619-258-6383fax
Tony Ruf	BriteTile Pool/Spa Remodeling Calcium removal, tile, deck-o-seal	PO BOX 99536 San Diego CA 92169	619-260-1896
Tim Splinter cheyennepools.com	Cheyenne Pools – Complete remodels, new construction, repairs	10601 TierrasantaBl#330 San Diego CA 92124	858-279-0588
Oscar Dike	Fiberkote – Fiberglass coatings for Pools, Spas, Fountains, Ponds	1905 Redwing San Marcos CA 92069	760-746-6594, 888-526-5683 760-746-6781fax
Tom Cox gardnerpoolplastering.com	Gardner Pool Plastering –Quality Plastering/Remodels since 1969	801 Gable Way El Cajon CA 92020	619-593-8880 619-593-8886fax
Mike Rice hallmarkpools.com	Hallmark Pools And Spas Custom Pool Builder/Remodeler	12580 Stowe Dr Poway CA 92064	858-391-3434,858-674-2405fax 858-674-7676store
Leigh O'Brien poolspace.com	Advantis Technologies - Applied Biochemists, Blue Devil Chemicals		800-258-4442,619-661-1818fax 888-452-7678 X358
Ray J. Vendetti mutualofomaha.com	Mutual of Omaha – Products for Education, Retirement, Insurance	1011Camino del Rio So. San Diego CA 92108	619-260-5551 858-260-3601fax
Michael Mamula	National Leak Detection – Finds leaks - Pools/Spas/Fountains/Ponds	PO BOX 624 Carlsbad CA 92018	760-931-8108
Steven Kleinjan nelsonitepoolanddeck.com	Nelsonite – Easy and Affordable, Quality Pool & Deck Coatings	3150 E. Pico Bl Los Angeles CA 90023	800-544-1998 X413
Eric Lovig nuwayspacovers.com	Nu Way Spa Products Quality Spa Covers and Lifters	PO BOX 1547 Lakeside CA 92040	619-665-5056 619-938-9772fax
Fred Walker poolsafe.com	Poolsafe Cover Systems – New, Service All Systems, Replacement	1200 S. Escondido Bl Escondido CA 92025	800-376-6572
David Courey poolsurfacing2000.com	Pool Surfacing 2000 – Exclusive 5 Stage Fiberglass Laminate process	8606 Argent St, Unit C Santee CA 92071	858-273-9398 858-273-2729fax
Mark Lane aosmithmotors.com	AO Smith/Century Motors – All Copper, Standard & High Efficiency	26212 Dimension Dr Lake Forest CA 92630	800-543-9450 X2718
Aida Velazquez sdge.com	SDG&E – Rebate Partner with IPSSA to lower energy use & cost	8335 Century Park Ct San Diego CA 92123	858-654-6401
Stacey McIntosh sonenergy.com	Son Energy, Inc. - Solar Pool Heating – referral program	550 W. 6 th Ave. Escondido CA 92025	760-738-4066, 877-407-6527 760-738-8602 Fax
Brandon Chase	Sunchaser, Inc. Solar and Water Heating Specialist	10367 Palm Row Dr Lakeside CA 92040	619-390-5287
Jim Mahoney suntrek.net	Suntrek Solar – Thermal-Solar Pool Heaters	120 N. Pacific #E-6 San Marcos CA 92069	800-292-7648 760-598-7185 fax/pager
Kevin Wallace	Underwater Unlimitd –Rust spots, Rebar, Cracks, Drain replacement	281½ Hillcrest Dr. Encinitas CA 92024	800-247-8393 760-632-1822
Billy Howse Watermaid-sd.com	Watermaid – Salt water systems, increase profits/customer satisfaction	6161 El Cajon Bl #520 San Diego CA 92115	619-583-2357

Raffle roll-over is now \$550 – Next drawing - Mar General Meeting – be there to win

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Also remember the Chapter will pay full price for 5 people who are the first to claim Continuing Education assistance and who are willing to give a written or verbal report on what they learned at one of the seminars. Stephen Heyer will also host a dinner for these attendees. If you are not one of the 5 please submit a Continuing Education Form to Stephen so you can be reimbursed for one half the cost.

The Membership Committee is in action and called a number of you to encourage your attendance at General Meetings. We had good attendance at the February Meeting. Please make sure your phone number is correct on our Chapter Records. If it has changed it is your responsibility to notify Secretary Paul Grimes of the correct number.

For the good of the order,
Jim Bradbury

**General Meeting-Feb 18, 04
Called to Order: 7:00 p.m.**

There were 64 members and 9 guests.

Introduction of Guests

David Courey of PS 2000, Brandon Chase of SunChaser, Steven Kleinjan of Nelsonite, Juhli Shelby-Boyes of SCP, plus prospective members Ken Lamborn and Gregorio Sanchez plus prospective transfer members Brian Davis and Jay Chadwick.

Secretary's Report

Minutes were approved.
No correspondence received. The Updated Information sheets will be in the March Skimmer mailing.

Treasurer's Report

We're in good shape financially and the report is in the Skimmer. Jim Bradbury outlined an Annual Budget of \$34,500, which is in balance with revenue and expenses. Jon McArthur sparked comments including potential reserves and taxes on surpluses.

Vice President's Report

Prospective members- The following were voted in by the membership tonight after passing the test and completing all regulations for membership.
Gregorio Sanchez (Blue Coral Pool Service), who has recently gone full-time after doing pools on the side for a few years.

Ken Lamborn (Sapphire Pool & Spa), who services pools mainly in Poway and Scripps Ranch.

Brian Davis (Brian's Pool Service), a transfer from the North County, services 25 pools in and around La Jolla and Del Mar.

Chapter Supporters – We are proud to announce Son Energy has become a Chapter Supporter. Carl is here tonight. Son has been in business since 1986 and offers terra cotta panels and \$300 referrals per system. Bill asks all Chapter Supporters to advise him of changes in phone or addresses.

Speakers – Tonight – Steve Kleijan of Nelsonite spoke on deck coatings and Juhli Boyes presented the Flat Rate Program. AJ Wilson was the only member who raised his hand when the membership was asked who did deck coatings.

Bill Peck advised that SDG&E had a signup sheet at the table for their 2004 program - \$125 for a single-speed and \$300 for a two-speed (the two-speed now requires a two-speed controller)..

President's Report

Jim Bradbury reported that John Nichol was OK, but had a big cast on his lower leg which bothers him. Pat Schultheis is helping out with John's filter cleans. It would be nice to call John or send him a card.

Eric Petersen will NOT be going out until at least John Rumble gets back to work Jim had given each committee a budget for them to work with in 2004.

On February 7th, Jim Bradbury, Geoff Conradi and Paul Grimes attended the IPSSA Leadership Seminar in Newport Beach. Ray Arousty outlined the great insurance we have at IPSSA (highlights were included in last month's Skimmer). Retirees can continue insurance for \$240 per year, covering them from work they had previously completed. Employees must be insured and we do have some items not covered like draining vinyl liner pools and new construction. We were advised to screen potential members as our members can be a source of increased claims.

Per the BORD, effective 3/1/04, all prospective members must pass the Water Chemistry test to become members. There was a brief Region 7 meeting at the Leadership Seminar, where the Water Watcher program was discussed. Javier Payan is doing his best to help get this

program off the ground.

We will investigate the Escondido Chapter's apprentice program as a potential model for a similar program at our chapter.

Expense Report forms are to be used for reimbursement of expenses and mileage is now paying 37.5 cents per mile.

While our chapter is growing, attendance at meetings has dropped from 52 per meeting in 2000- to 47 in 2001 and 45 in 2003. We have a considerable number of members who attend the minimum number of meetings required..

Bernie Miralez has volunteered for the Western Pool & Spa Show while Jon McArthur and Bob Folwer will present seminars.

From a raising of hands, it appears the vast majority of members receive the Service Industry News (\$12 per year). Jon McArthur volunteered to bring in old pool magazines and newspapers for members to take if they would like.

The Standing Rules committee (Jim Bradbury, Paul Grimes, John Silcox and Bernie Miralez) will begin reviewing our bylaws for updates and potential changes.

Committee Reports

Sick Leave

Jim Hines advised that the chapter is covering 77 pools at this time – 62 for Jon Rumble (who is due back in 4-5 weeks) and 15 for John Nichol (out for 3-4 months). Blue Cards are due tonight. Eric Petersen will not be going out for 1 to 2 months.

Membership

Debbie Griswold and Jim Bauer reported that they called members to advise them of the meeting tonight. Many phones were not the right number and some had answering machines that did not identify the company. Please report updates on your contact information to the secretary, Paul Grimes.

Entertainment

Mike reported that there will be two Padre games this year, but no Sky Shows in downtown. The first game is 5/1 vs. the Mets and 9/4 vs. the Rockies. (Flyer is in the Skimmer and tickets will be on sale at the March meeting.)

Chapter Advisor -

Cont. Education

Stephen Heyer mentioned that a neighbor of his died and a 1992 F150 PU truck with a

San Diego Chapter Financial Report – Feb. 1 – Feb. 29, 2004

	<u>Detail</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Expense Description</u>	<u>Detail</u>	<u>Total</u>
Cash on Hand (Beg. Bal.)			Cash Disbursements		
Checking Acct.	3387.80		Bank charges		
Savings Acct. (Educ.)	4261.03	7648.83	Education (includes \$75 Installation Seminar Exp.)	85.00	
			Guy Muto & SPEC	200.00	
Cash Receipts			Donation		
Dues collected by IPSSA	1844.00		Door prizes Awards / Raffle	25.00	
Dues Collected directly			Hall Rental	275.00	
Chapter Supporters	500.00		Newsletter		
Initiation fees			Legal/Professional Computer consulting	100.00	
Interest earned			Meeting expense:		
Rebate Program	325.00		- General		
Install. Dinner/Dance			- Chapter Board	105.55	
Picnic			- Regional Dues		
Other –H2O Watcher Tags			- BORD (Installation Dinner)		
Fines: - H2O Chemistry			Office expense: Printing/Copies		
- Mandatory meeting			Phone	19.07	
- Attendance			Postage & Copies	37.00	
- Blue Card			Letterhead, business cards, name tags	663.55	
New Member	428.00		Social Activities		
General Meeting Dinner			- Entertainment		
Donations					
Water Watcher tags			- Blood Drive Breakfast		
Water Safety Comte (Pool Store)			- Other (Water Safety Committee)		
Total Income in Month		3097.00	Total Expenses in Month		1510.17
			Cash on Hand (Ending Balance)		-----
			Checking Acct.	4974.63	
			Savings Acct. (Educ)	4261.03	9235.66

CONTINUING EDUCATION FUND APPLICATION

Member Name: _____ **Date** _____

Company Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ **Zip:** _____

Course/Seminar/Program: _____

Course/Seminar/Program Date: _____ **Cost: \$** _____

Note: The Education Committee Chairperson (ECC) must receive Application within 30 days of course completion. Receipt or proof of attendance must be submitted to ECC before reimbursement will be made.

shell is for sale.
Seminar opportunities:
Western Pool and Spa Show
CPO and Professional Pool & Spa
Operator course is available.
Sta-Rite has a 10/20 Hydraulic Design seminar, Pentair has a 3/18 seminar at the Scottish Rite.
For those interested in the Flat Rate Program, the Chapter will pay 50% of the seminar fee.
The Chapter will pay for the first 5 Western Pool & Spa Show registrations and a group dinner for attendees will be on

the Chapter. Note that hotels are tight in Long Beach that week..

Tech Tip

Mark Overman presented vital information on Compool panels and switches. Their 2000 board is no longer supported and a retrofit is available as well as a retrofit for the



multi-switch in the spa that can have water damage problems.

Public Relations/Blood Drive

John Silcox handed out CPR cards to Jon McArthur, Geoff Conradi, Bill Peck, Paul Williams, John Nichol, Bob Miller, Joe Hiel, Terry Bussard and Jim Bradbury. The full CPR class is set for 4/10 from 8am to 1pm.
The Blood Drive will be held on March 20th, back at DZ Akins – breakfast courtesy of Dale Eppard.
The MS Walk on Sun. March 14th at the Embarcadero. Please register as “Team

IPSSA”.

Water Safety

There will be a meeting this Saturday morning, Feb. 21st.

Product Testing

Manufacturer’s Rebate

Jon McArthur thanked the membership for sending in invoices for 2004 – we received a check for \$325 plus vouchers for a 405 and 335 heater from Raypak. Pentair is giving us a Pool Vac and a DE filter. At the March meeting the 335EN and 405EN will be for sale at 20% below supply store prices – bring your checkbook.

Unfinished Business

Old Business

New Business

John Silcox made a motion, which passed for a donation of \$500 from the Chapter to the MS Walk.

Good of the Order

Raffle

Patrick Nevin won the \$500 door prize (including \$450 rollover). Since Patrick was not present, **the door prize will roll over again to an unprecedented, whopping \$550 for our February meeting.**

Peat Burke, \$25

Meeting adjourned: 8:50pm

Board Meeting – Mar. 3, 2004

Called to Order: 7:45 p.m.

Attending -, Jim Bradbury, Bill Peck, Geoff Conradi, Paul Grimes and John Nichol.

Secretary’s Report

No correspondence received. Paul advised that Ray Vendetti is sending flyers for inclusion in the Skimmer on Accident insurance. Mutual of Omaha will pick up the extra postage, if any. George Goodall is moving to the East Coast for a year and will be leaving the Chapter while gone.

Treasurer’s Report

We’re in good shape financially. Geoff stated that the budget Jim has put together looks good.

Vice President’s Report

Prospective Members:

Bill Peck said that Jay Chadwick is ready to be voted on in March. He’s a transfer from East County. There are no other prospective members in the pipeline at this time.

Chapter Supporters:

A couple of renewal notices need to go out. Bill will be contacting potential Chapter Supporters from the Table Top show.

Speakers:

SDG&E will be at the March meeting as will Rob Blake of Blake Sales. Brandon Chase of SunChaser Solar will present his solar products and services in April. Bill advise the Board that Pentair has reduced their warranty on ALL products to one year parts only. He is trying to get Mr. Zorn of Pentair to attend a meeting to explain and receive our input. .

President’s Report

Jim advised there would be a Region 7 board meeting on March 9th to discuss the Water Watcher program.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Sick Leave

Jon Rumble is expected back in about 3 weeks. John Nichol is expected to be out 2-3 more months.

Jim Hines will compile the Sick Leave Report for the Region.

Chapter Advisor

Peat Burke has asked to bow out of this position when we find a replacement. We thank Peat for his work on this committee over the years. .

Continuing Education

No Other Reports

Unfinished/Old/New Business

Meeting adjourned: 9:45 pm

SAN DIEGO IPSSA PLAYS DOWNTOWN
IPSSA has tickets for two games at Petco Park!

GAME ONE – SAT. May 1st, 7:05 pm vs. New York Mets
During the second home stand

GAME TWO – SAT, Sept. 4th, 7:05 pm vs Colorado Rockies
Tony Gwynn jersey retirement ceremony

We have 50 seats each game, upper infield reserved section 306 behind home plate. Tickets are 16 dollars each, limit 4 per member per game. Pre game warm up 5-6 pm at *THE FIELD IRISH PUB 5TH* AND ISLAND in the Gaslamp. Tickets available at the March 17th Membership meeting, bring your checkbooks. These seats will go fast.

