



# The SKIMMER



## San Diego Chapter Monthly Newsletter – July 2004

General Meeting: July 21st, 7p. Mission Valley Resort, Mission Room – Mission Valley, 875 Hotel Circle

**BLUE CARDS ARE DUE BY THE JULY GENERAL MEETING – JULY 21ST**  
**Padres tickets for 9/4 on sale – Tony Gwynn jersey retirement ceremony**

### Calendar

- 7/21, General Meeting**  
7:00 pm Mission Valley Resort, Mission Valley
- 7/24, Blood Drive**  
8:00am: DZ Akins 70<sup>th</sup> St
- 7/27 Region 7 Board Mtg.**  
7pm Filippi's in Poway
- 8/7, B.O.R.D Meeting**  
Embassy Suites LAX
- 8/8, Region 7 Picnic & Silent Auction 10:00am**  
DeAnzaCove, Mission Bay
- 9/4, Padres vs. Rockies**  
7 p.m. For Tickets see or call Mike Anderson

**NOTE: Please update Leif Leloup's phone number on the green Chapter Information Sheet to 858-274-8808**

#### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE.

We opened our May General Meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance. In my opinion, this is an appropriate and patriotic way to begin an association meeting. As long as I am President we will open our General Meetings in this manner. We have a lot to be thankful for and expressing our loyalty to our wonderful country in this manner seems to me to be the right thing to do.

The NSPI meeting on "Why do swimming pools crack" was very informative and we certainly appreciated the hospitality of this companion group of swimming pool professionals. It is always worthwhile to take advantage of educational opportunities of this sort as it increases your knowledge and

may be beneficial in the future.

Blue cards will be due at the next General Meeting. Be sure to mail or bring your updated cards to the Sick Leave Committee to avoid being fined. Make sure they are filled out completely, legibly and are signed.

The Standing Rules Committee has completed its review of the Standing Rules and Sick Leave Plan. A lot of hours went into this and a number of corrections, updates, and modifications were made. I want to thank the committee members for their time and effort and especially Paul Grimes for keeping great notes and putting it all together for efficient review and identification of the many modifications made.

Besides Paul, the members of the committee were Jon McArthur, Bernie Mirelez, John Silcox, Jim Hines and I.

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## IPSSA San Diego – Chapter Supporters (Updated 7/10/04)

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Terry Van Arsdale advancedsurfacer.com	<b>Advanced Surface Restoration</b> Decks/Patios resurface, waterproof	2404 Deerpark Dr San Diego CA 92110	760-724-6666, 619-276-4444 619-274-6444 FAX
Kenny Lawson	<b>ALLTEC Pools</b> – Underwater specialist -rebar, cracks, light repair	1619 Hillcrest Ln Fallbrook CA 92028	760-731-9998
Daniel Charland americanleakdetection.com	<b>American Leak Detection</b> Electronic Leak Detection & Repair	864 N Second PMB #173 El Cajon CA 92021	619-233-LEAK(5325) 619-442-6551 fax
Mark Quintero	<b>Aquatic Renovation</b> – 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	<b>BIODEX</b> – Superior Line of Pool and /Spa Chemical Products	501 West Lone Cactus Phoenix AZ 80527	623-582-2400,623-582-2405 fax 800-617-3477
Richard Smith	<b>Blue Moon Pools</b> – Plaster, tile, coping, brick/concrete, equip, plmbg	8606 Argent St. "H" Santee CA 92071	619-258-7665 619-258-6383fax
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Tom Cox gardnerpoolplastering.com	<b>Gardner Pool Plastering</b> –Quality Plastering/Remodels since 1969	801 Gable Way El Cajon CA 92020	619-593-8880 619-593-8886fax
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Leigh O'Brien poolspacare.com	<b>Advantis Technologies</b> - Applied Biochemists, Blue Devil Chemicals		800-258-4442,619-661-1818fax 888-452-7678 X358
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Michael Mamula	<b>National Leak Detection</b> – Finds leaks - Pools/Spas/Fountains/Ponds	PO BOX 624 Carlsbad CA 92018	760-931-8108
Steven Kleinjan nelsonitepoolanddeck.com	<b>Nelsonite</b> – Easy and Affordable, Quality Pool & Deck Coatings	3150 E. Pico Bl Los Angeles CA 90023	800-544-1998 X413
Eric Lovig nuwayspacovers.com	<b>Nu Way Spa Products</b> Quality Spa Covers and Lifters	PO BOX 1547 Lakeside CA 92040	619-665-5056 619-938-9772fax
Fred Walker poolsafe.com	<b>Poolsafe Cover Systems</b> – New, Service All Systems, Replacement	1200 S. Escondido Bl Escondido CA 92025	800-376-6572
David Courey poolsurfacing2000.com	<b>Pool Surfacing 2000</b> – Exclusive 5 Stage Fiberglass Laminate process	8606 Argent St, Unit C Santee CA 92071	858-273-9398 858-273-2729fax
Mark Lane aosmithmotors.com	<b>AO Smith/Century Motors</b> – All Copper, Standard & High Efficiency	26212 Dimension Dr#220 Lake Forest CA 92630	949-583-2984 800-543-9450 X2718
Aida Velazquez sdge.com	<b>SDG&amp;E</b> – Rebate Partner with IPSSA to lower energy use & cost	8335 Century Park Ct San Diego CA 92123	858-654-6401
Stacey McIntosh sonenergy.com	<b>Son Energy, Inc.</b> - Solar Pool Heating – referral program	550 W. 6 <sup>th</sup> Ave. Escondido CA 92025	760-738-4066, 877-407-6527 760-738-8602 Fax
Brandon Chase	<b>Sunchaser, Inc.</b> Solar and Water Heating Specialist	10367 Palm Row Dr Lakeside CA 92040	619-390-5287
Jim Mahoney suntrek.net	<b>Suntrek Solar</b> – Thermal-Solar Pool Heaters	120 N. Pacific #E-6 San Marcos CA 92069	800-292-7648 760-598-7185 fax/pager
Kevin Wallace	<b>Underwater Unlimitd</b> –Rust spots, Rebar, Cracks, Drain replacement	281½ Hillcrest Dr. Encinitas CA 92024	800-247-8393 760-632-1822
Billy Howse Watermaid-sd.com	<b>Watermaid</b> – Salt water systems, increase profits/customer satisfaction	6161 El Cajon Bl #520 San Diego CA 92115	619-583-2357

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Long-time member Rick Farr has submitted his resignation to IPSSA to pursue other interests. Rick was a long-time devoted and active member, serving on our Entertainment Committee with Marc Stewart for many years, and also as Vice President. We wish Rick the very best in the future.

The Annual Region Seven Picnic is going to be held on August 8th at De Anza Cove. Please make it out to this great event. You paid for it and it is always a fun time.

For the good of the order,  
Jim Bradbury

**General Meeting-Jun 16, 2004**

**Called to Order: 7:10 p.m.**

45 members and 4 guests signed in.

**Pledge of Allegiance**

**Introduction of Guests**

*Brandon Chase of SunChaser Solar, Tony Ruf of BriteTile, Brian of SDG&E, John Watanoby & Keith Baxter of Pool Guard Fences and Bill Kraus of Ceram-Kote.*

**Secretary's Report**

Minutes were approved.

No correspondence received.

Jim Bradbury had news that Jim Hines had called and his dad, Carl Hines had his leg amputated today. Carl has diabetes. Jim passed a get well card around to sign.

**Treasurer's Report**

We're in good shape financially and the approved report is in the Skimmer.

**Vice President's Report**

**Prospective members-**

Tonight's prospective member did not show up.

**Chapter Supporters –**

We have prospective Chapter Supporters here tonight.

**Speakers** – Brian of SDG&E spoke of the rebate program. He had rebate forms for the program and stated the qualifying equipment list has been updated. When asked about payments to installers, he said the state runs the program, but future programs could provide payments.

Bill Krause of Ceram-Kote spoke of his product, which is used around the world in oil pipes. The product, applied like paint, is an option to replastering, fiberglass or

paint. They offer the product for \$78/gallon and it has a 3 year guarantee. With three coats, it equates to \$78 per square foot of surface. A 15X30 pool takes about 17 gallons.

**President's Report**

Jim Bradbury urged member to adhere to IPSSA and Chapter policy that employees must be employee members. Fill out the form and give to a Board member to sign and forward to IPSSA Inc., according to our Standing Rules.

12 members have not passed the Water Chemistry Test, which must be passed within one year of becoming a member.

Tom Graham was unsuccessful in getting out of jury duty, but will probably serve just one day.

Superior has provided a Start-Up Kit worth \$377 tonight for our raffle. It includes a net, test kit, pole, 98# tabs, vac head, 24" brush and 50' vac hose. Thanks Superior, who has lots of new displays and we have catalogues of toys and devices at the sign in desk that you can send to your customers.

Rick Farr is resigning after 20 years to pursue a business of color coating homes. Jim discussed the Mentoring Program that had been drafted a few years ago.

John Silcox made a motion to make Peat Burke an Honorary Member. It was unanimously approved.

**Committee Reports**

**Sick Leave**

Jim Hines advised Jim that Blue Cards are due by the July General Meeting. Please fill out completely and legibly.

Tom Richardson had rotator cuff surgery this Friday and is expected to be out 2-4 months. We will be covering 36 to 38 pools. If you are assigned a pool, call the Sick Committee if you have problems – the pools have not been serviced in a week.

**Entertainment**

Mike Anderson advised of the Picnic on Sunday August 8<sup>th</sup> at De Anza Cove. Also, he has 35 Padres tickets left for the Tony Gwynn jersey retirement game on 9/4 versus the Rockies.

**Membership**

Terry Bussard thanked members for coming to tonight's meeting.

**Insurance (Chapter Advisor)**

**Water Safety/Public Relations**

John Silcox mentioned that we will have an opportunity to hand out Water Watcher

materials on 8/7 in Kearney Mesa and again in October in an El Cajon Fire Department event.

We reprinted 5,000 brochures. Take them, they are FREE and you can put your company name on the back.

**Blood Drive / Product Testing  
Manufacturer's Rebate**

Jon McArthur has self-addressed envelopes for members to send invoices to him. Jon has \$100 rebate offers for Letro cleaners and there is a Navigator offer of \$75 through 7/12.

**Continuing Education**

NSPI had a good meeting on "Why pools crack".

Bill Peck has employee applications There is Stormwater information at the sign in table.

We're looking at having an Algae Panel in July.

Jon McArthur mentioned that Sun "Algaecide Prevent" works great to lubricate light cord conduits. It also works to free backwash valve pistons.

**Unfinished/Old/New Business**

There will be one more meeting to finalize the proposed update to our Standing Rules and Sick Leave Program.

**Good of the Order**

Bob Fowler let us know that: Fires=Ash=Phosphates=Algae=High TDS's. It may be time to drain pools. They charge \$195 to drain, add conditioner and startup chemicals.

Bob mentioned he raised rates and only lost 1% of his customer – losing 10% would have been a break-even situation. Bob's son made Eagle Scout and thanked the Chapter for the donation for his bench project.

Bob's wife bought him a gift of a gym membership. Bob feels great and suggests we're all getting older and should exercise.

**Raffle**

Mike Bell won the \$100.

Lief Leloup, \$25

Meeting adjourned: 8:35pm

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**Board Meeting – July 7, 2004**

**Called to Order: 7:13 p.m.**

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

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**San Diego Chapter Financial Report – June 1 – June 30, 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.	6999.90		Bank charges		
Savings Acct. (Educ.)	4266.79	11,268.69	Education		
			Guy Muto & SPEC	200.00	
Cash Receipts			Donation		
Dues collected by IPSSA	1860.00		Door prizes Raffle	125.00	
Dues Collected directly			Hall Rental	275.00	
Chapter Supporters	250.00		Newsletter		
Initiation fees			Legal/Professional Computer consulting	100.00	
Interest earned			Meeting expense:		
Rebate Program	243.00		- General		
Install. Dinner/Dance			- Chapter Board	186.00	
Picnic			- Regional Dues		
Other –H2O Watcher Tags			- Standing Rules Committee	151.85	
Fines: - H2O Chemistry			Office expense: Printing/Copies		
- Mandatory meeting			Phone	19.45	
- Attendance			Postage & Copies		
- Blue Card			Business cards & name tags		
New Member			Social Activities		
			- Entertainment		
			- Awards		
Water Watcher tags			- Blood Drive Breakfast		
Water Safety Committee Income	150.00		- Other (Water Safety Committee)		
Total Income in Month		2503.00	Total Expenses in Month		1295.56
			Cash on Hand (Ending Balance)		-----
Transfer - General to Education	2593.20	2593.20	Checking Acct.	5702.26	
			Savings Acct. (Educ)	6861.99	12564.25

**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.**

<p>(continued from page 3)</p> <p><b>Secretary's Report</b> Paul is to check with IPSSA Inc. as some mail from IPSSA to our Chapter has been returned as the wrong address. No correspondence received.</p> <hr/> <p><b>Treasurer's Report</b> We're in good shape financially. Geoff advised we had two 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter attendance fines with one unpaid at this point. If not received \$75 will be tacked on. We have not been billed for the Picnic yet. Geoff transferred \$2,600 back into savings</p>	<p>(Education Fund) after needing it in the General Fund to cover seasonal expense fluctuations.</p> <p><b>Vice President's Report</b> <b>Prospective Members:</b> Bill Peck received a call from a potential new member.</p> <p><b>Chapter Supporters:</b> Renewal notices will go out soon. Cheyenne Pools (Tim Splinter decided not to renew at this point.</p> <p><b>Speakers:</b> Charlie Smith of Protect-a-Child Fence will speak in July. We should have a</p>	<p>panel of members to discuss algae.</p> <p><b>President's Report</b> Jim advised there are upcoming meetings: BORD on Aug. 7 in Long Beach and the Region 7 Board on July 27<sup>th</sup> at Filippi's in Poway. Jim also mentioned the contributions from the several companies who funded the cost of the May dinner meeting. Jim receive information from the Better Business Bureau, who may speak at an upcoming meeting. (continued on page 5)</p>
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Jim mentioned some highlights of the 5/15 BORD meeting:

- We have a new insurance carrier, Essex, the third in four years. Coverage and cost will not change.
- Our Chapter is the fifth largest in IPSSA
- John Silcox had reported progress in the Water Safety Program.

The Region 7 Picnic is Sunday August 8 at De Anza Cove Please attend. Blue Cards are due at or before the July General Meeting – avoid a fine!  
**COMMITTEE REPORTS**  
**Sick Leave/Manufacturers Rebate**  
**Entertainment**  
**Blood Drive**  
 Saturday, July 24. Meet at DZ Akins,( I-8 at 70<sup>th</sup> Street) at 8:00 a.m. - free breakfast.

**Water Safety Committee**  
**Continuing Education**  
 No Other Reports  
**Unfinished/Old Business**  
**New Business**  
 Bill Peck brought up the employee application process and it was discussed without decision at this time..  
 Meeting adjourned: 9:10 pm

**Excerpts from the July 2004 Region 7 Newsletter**  
**Director’s Corner, by Javier Payan, Region 7 Director**

Picnic - **Juhli Selby**, from SCP (South Central Pool Supply) has been doing an outstanding job raising support for our summer picnic. Thank you Juhli

SPEC - Attached FYI is the Monday Morning Report from SPEC regarding Owner-Builder Fraud and other items. Also, I would like to make available my e-mail address to the general membership. If you have any issues, questions, gripes, or suggestions, I want to hear from you. My e-mail address is: [payanpoolservice@aol.com](mailto:payanpoolservice@aol.com)

**How Clean is Your Pool?**

by **Dr. Isadore Rosenfeld** *Parade Magazine, July 11, 2004, page 7*

My neighbors told me that their kids seem to be developing frequent attacks of diarrhea after going to day camp. Why? A report from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention suggests that dirty pools may be the answer. Reports from more than 22,000 pool inspections throughout the country found that at least half had filtration problems and too little chlorine or other chemicals. The most common organisms found in these pools were *E coli*, giardia, cryptosporidium, and shigella.

Inspections of public pools vary by community. There may be nothing you can do about that, but you *can* keep a closer eye on your own pool. Monitor the chlorine level and check the filtration system frequently, because the pool’s chemical environment can change quickly. Tell your kids how important it is not to swallow the water. And make sure that no one with diarrhea swims in your pool

**IPSSA SAN DIEGO NIGHT AT PETCO PARK**  
**COME JOIN US, SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 4<sup>TH</sup>, 7PM. AS**  
**THE PADRES BATTLE THE ROCKIES.**



**Pay tribute to #19 during the Tony Gwynn jersey retirement ceremony and root the home team on to a National League crown. Good seat still available, butr act now!!!**

**Tickets will be for sale at the july meeting. Section 306, \$18 each, this game is sold out!**