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Director's Corner

Picnic - The Annual R7 picnic held Sun., 8/8 was awesome, and there was a good turnout! **Juhli Selby, SCP**, did a tremendous job raising funds for the picnic and Emergency Fund. *Thank you, Juhli!*

IPSSA Funds The *Emergency Fund* is something started by **Rick Bishop** and other R7 members several years ago, its purpose being to give financial support to individuals in the pool industry in the R7 area but not necessarily IPSSA members. The *Emergency Fund* is supported by your donations. The *Benevolent Fund*, on the other hand, provides financial assistance to members' survivors in the event of death. The *Benevolent Fund* is supported by your membership dues. The *IPSSA Scholarship Fund* has scholarships available to all self-employed swimming pool/spa service technicians and their immediate family members in Arizona, California, Nevada and Texas.

B. K. Taylor Memorial Award - Every year each chapter in R7 submits its nomination for this award. Please submit nominations on the enclosed form and send to me or bring to the October 26 R7 Board meeting; final selection will be made at that time.

By-laws revisions - Chapters are asked to review their bylaws and make revisions by October.

Two-year-old drowns in pool

By: North County Times

OCEANSIDE --- A 2-year-old boy drowned in a pool Monday at his Oceanside home, authorities said.

The baby was discovered not breathing in the pool by family members about 4:30 p.m. in the 1600 block of Havenwood Drive, fire Capt. Bill Kogerman said.

A family member gave the boy cardiopulmonary resuscitation before police officers and paramedics arrived, he said.

The toddler was pronounced dead at a nearby hospital. The baby's name was not released. *(Editor's note: As per follow-up article in North County Times Tuesday, August 24, the medical examiner's office released the name of the 2-year-old boy who drowned Monday.)*

"It's a tragic situation, very tragic," Kogerman said.

Oceanside fire Battalion Chief Jerry Abshier said this was the first child drowning that he recalled this year.

"If someone reading this article can prevent future injury or death to another child, there could be something positive that would come out of something so negative like this," Kogerman said. (Emphasis added by Editor.)

Experts emphasize that children must never be left unattended even for a minute or two near water, even shallow water, because drownings happen very quickly, Kogerman said, adding that "children drown without a sound."

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R7 Emergency Fund donation made

A \$1,500 donation from R7's Emergency Fund was recently made to cover burial expenses for **Tyler Collier**, who drowned August 23 in the swimming pool at his home. Tyler was the 2-year-old grandson of **Carl Collier**, former member of the Carlsbad chapter of IPSSA. Mr. Collier presently has his own medical challenges.

Water Safety

It seems appropriate at this time to remind IPSSA members that 10,000 *Water Watcher Tags* have been printed with new artwork. To order, contact **Vickie Lester**, IPSSA Inc., or **John Silcox**, San Diego chapter, at pooldood@aol.com.

Also, refer to the article, "Pool Safety and Drowning Prevention - What is Being Done Today," in The IPSSAN, July 2004, page 5, by **John Silcox**, IPSSA, San Diego chapter.

Calendar of Events

- **Pool Industry Expo**, Thurs., Sept. 30 - Sat., Oct. 2, Monterey Conf. Center, Monterey, CA. For info, contact www.poolindustryexpo.com.
- **RayPak Heater School**, Thurs., Sept. 30, 7:30 a.m. - 5 p.m., Holiday Inn Select, 9335 Kearny Mesa Rd., SD 92126. \$60 pre-registered or \$75 at the door. For info, contact Donna Stewart, RayPak Inc., (805) 278-5302.
- **R7 Board Meeting**, Tues., Oct. 26, 7:00 p.m., Filippi's Pizza Grotto, (858) 748-1800, 13000 Oak Knoll Dr., Poway, off Hwy 15 and Poway Rd. Select recipient of B.K. Taylor Memorial Award.
- **B.O.R.D.**, Sat., Nov. 6, Van Nuys, CA.

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