



The SKIMMER



San Diego Chapter Monthly Newsletter – September 2004

General Meeting: Sep 15th, 7p. Mission Valley Resort, Mission Room – Mission Valley, 875 Hotel Circle

Remember, 9/15 is the Last Meeting of the Quarter

42 Members who did not make the July Meeting must attend or be fined.

Calendar

- 9/15, General Meeting**
7:00 pm Mission Valley Resort, Mission Valley
- 9/18, Blood Drive**
8:00am:DZ Akins 70th St
- 9/30-10/2, P.I.E. Show**
Monterey, CA
- 10/6, Chapter Board**
Location TBA
- 10/20 General Meeting**
Mandatory Attendance
7:00 pm Mission Valley Resort, Mission Valley
- 11/7 B.O.R.D. Meeting**
Van Nuys, CA

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE.

The end of the 2004 swimming season is in sight. Typically September is one of the hottest months of the year and lots of swimming activity takes place. There are a lot of pool parties particularly around Labor Day and before most school systems start up. Continue to remind your customers to maintain the water levels in their pools and stress pool safety habits and the need for adult supervision when children are in the pool. Be sure all of your customers have Water Watcher Tags and Safety Brochures.

Mary Lou and I recently attended a party of some good friends where there were a lot of kids, adults and a pool. Most adults were socializing and there were a lot of small kids in and around the pool. I made sure the owner had appointed a pool "Water Watcher" who would not leave the pool area.

It was an ideal and classic example of how easy it is for parents to be caught up in their own activities of eating, socializing, watching the Padre game on TV while assuming someone else was watching the kids frolicking in the pool.

I don't know the circumstances but only the unfortunate result of a recent child drowning of a two-year-old grandson of Carl Collier an IPSSA Member of the Carlsbad Chapter. You may have read about it in the paper. The Region 7 Board has voted to send \$1500 to the family out of our Emergency Fund to help with burial fees. Coincidentally, our Chapter had recently made a \$500 donation to this fund from the excess money left over from our Chapter Supporters donations in support of our May General Meeting Dinner.

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IPSSA San Diego – Chapter Supporters (Updated 9/06/04)

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	10601 Tierrasanta Bl #G PMB #196, SD CA 92124	619-233-LEAK(5325) 858-650-0046 fax
Mark Quintero	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	501 West Lone Cactus Phoenix AZ 80527	623-582-2400,623-582-2405 fax 800-617-3477
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
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 poolspacare.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#220 Lake Forest CA 92630	949-583-2984 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
Julie Lawson 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

**This year's REGION 7 PICNIC had perfect weather, great food and fun.
Mark your calendar for our Annual MANDATORY Meeting, Oct. 20, 2004**

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I was disappointed to find that Ten members failed to submit their Blue cards on time and are being fined accordingly. To expedite the processing of the Blue Cards we are making a slight change to the Standing Rules. In the future you must send the Blue Cards to the Chapter PO Box by the date of the February or July General Meetings. Or, you can give them to Paul Grimes. Paul maintains our Chapter Web Site. He uses the Blue Cards to update the postal zip codes and other data i.e. email addresses into the Chapter Web Site. This change will take some of the burden off the Sick Leave Committee and will also help us keep better track of those that are delinquent in submitting this vital data. After Paul has entered the data he will pass the cards on to the Sick Leave Committee.

We will have some very interesting and informative General Meetings in the next few months. We need to select our B. K. Taylor Award Winner for this year and pass this Candidate on to the Region for consideration. We will also have some discussions on the many changes to the Standing Rules and Sick Leave Plan. We will give you the opportunity to vote to accept them. Since many of you have been involved in covering Sick Leave pools you may have some significant insight or opinions of the entire process. We will solicit your input of your experiences and observations that may require some additional rules and/or clarifications of existing rules that may help improve the program.

Remember the OCTOBER 20th MEETING is a Mandatory Meeting for all Members.

For the good of the order,
Jim Bradbury

**General Meeting-Sep 01, 2004
Called to Order: 7:35 p.m.**

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

Secretary's Report

Paul gave Bill Peck the list of members not chemically certified as per IPSSA, Inc. records.

No correspondence received.

Paul advised that 10 members were fined for not filing Blue Cards. In subsequent conversation, it was proposed and a motion passed to change the Blue Card submission procedure to expedite information gathering and checking on fine status. Since Blue Cards are used by Paul Grimes to update the Zip Codes served on our referral web site www.poolservicepros.com and the Chapter database, Blue Cards will now be submitted to Paul Grimes by either handing the cards to Paul at a meeting or mailing to the Chapter PO Box (listed on each Skimmer and the Chapter website. Blue Cards received or postmarked by the due date will not incur fines.

Treasurer's Report

We're in good shape financially. Geoff advised the \$500 additional Chapter Supporter funding over what was needed for the May Dinner meeting was donated to the Region 7 Emergency Fund, as voted at last month's Board meeting. The funding was needed as the Region donated \$1,500 to help cover burial fees of a Carlsbad Chapter member's grandson, who drown in a swimming pool.

The Chapter paid \$1,230 for our portion of the Region 7 Picnic.

Blue Card fine letters went out to 10 members with a return date of Nov. 16th, which is before the General Meeting.

Vice President's Report

Prospective Members:

Bill had a couple of calls regarding new members, but they did not show up at the meeting. He is working with one of John Nichol's employees, who is in the full member process.

Chapter Supporters:

We received checks from two renewals, and Bill will send out three letters to others due to renew.

Speakers:

September:

Fred Walker, Pool Safe Covers

Chuck Conti, Polaris

Charlie Schmidt, Protect-A-Child Fence

October: Better Business Bureau is slated.

The Board then had a discussion regarding the Sick Leave Program and whether a review and feedback session at an

upcoming General Meeting should be held to outline what is allowed by a sick member while being covered. Further, the Standing Rules Committee may make recommendations to outline acceptable and unacceptable "work" by a member on sick leave and clarify some language in the printed Sick Leave Program booklet. While members should stay tuned on this issue, you can comment to the President, Vice President or the Sick Leave Committee with your ideas or concerns.

President's Report

Paul Grimes gave Jim the updated draft of the Sick Leave Program after our last meeting of the Standing Rules Committee. Jim stated he will review the changes in both Standing Rules and Sick Leave Rules before our next move in the process. The next step may include clarifying Sick Route coverage language in regard to "work" allowed while a member is being covered.

Upcoming Board meeting locations will be chosen by Geoff in October, Paul in November, and John Nichol in December. Jim mentioned that Dean Beaton has several new products to look at and they will be assessed by a combination of the Product testing and Continuing Education committees.

Jim Bradbury was saddened to report that the two-year old who drown in a pool recently was a grandchild of a Carlsbad Chapter member. The Region 7 Board provided \$1,500 for burial expenses from the R7 Emergency Fund. Our Chapter had just donated \$500 to the R7 Emergency Fund from additional Chapter Supporter donations that were above the cost of our May Dinner meeting. Jim further mentioned the importance of the Water Watcher Program, which received a cool reception from some chapters in Region 7.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Sick Leave

Jim Hines has reported to Jim Bradbury that Tom Richardson will be out four more weeks.

Manufacturers Rebate

We thank Jon McArthur for sending out letters to each member requesting authorization that would allow the supply houses to provide Jon with records of major items purchased that we can use to receive equipment and cash. Please sign and return the form ASAP.

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San Diego Chapter Financial Report – August 1 – August 31, 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.	6912.35		Bank charges		
Savings Acct. (Educ.)	6867.74	13,480.09	Education		
			Guy Muto & SPEC	200.00	
Cash Receipts			Donation (Region 7 Emergency Fund)	500.00	
Dues collected by IPSSA	1827.00		Door prizes Raffle		
Dues Collected directly			Hall Rental		
Chapter Supporters	500.00		Newsletter		
Initiation fees	125.00		Legal/Professional Computer consulting	100.00	
Interest earned			Meeting expense:		
Rebate Program			- General		
Install. Dinner/Dance			- Chapter Board	104.00	
Picnic			- Regional Dues (Picnic Fee)	1230.00	
Other –H2O Watcher Tags			- Standing Rules Committee		
Fines: - H2O Chemistry			Office expense: Printing/Copies		
- Mandatory meeting			Phone	19.12	
- 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			- Other (Water Safety Committee)		
Total Income in Month		2453.00	Total Expenses in Month		2153.12
			Cash on Hand (Ending Balance)		-----
			Checking Acct.	6912.23	
			Savings Acct. (Educ)	6867.74	13779.97

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>Entertainment The Padres game on 9/4 should be fun as we retire Tony Gwynn's jersey.</p> <p>Blood Drive Saturday, Sept. 18. Meet at DZ Akins, (I-8 at 70th Street) at 8am. - free breakfast. Water Safety Committee On August 7th., members of the chapter's Water Safety Committee attended the seventh annual Children's Safety Fair sponsored by the Point Loma Credit Union in Kearny Mesa. David & Adrian Courey, Geoff Conradi, A.J. Wilson, Paul & Kathy Grimes, Jon McArthur & John Silcox spent the day</p>	<p>handing out Water Watcher tags and pool safety brochures to attendees interested in a wide range of child safety items and programs. Representatives of Children's Hospital and the YMCA took quantities of our safety items and will be distributing them at future events. The next event that the Water Safety Committee will attend is the El Cajon safety fair October 9th.</p> <p>Continuing Education Stephen Heyer reported that Dean Beaton would like to display his fire fighting water system at the September General meeting – we'll have to see if it</p>	<p>can be arranged. Stephen also reported that Jim Bauer and Pat Fariior will be testing more products, including brushes, and activated charcoal filtered mask for acid washes. Stephen approached Dave of San Diego Superior Pool Products regarding a service cart for members to use on a trial basis. Dave was kind enough to donate the service cart – thanks Dave. We plan to let members use the cart for a month each, then have them report on how well it worked for their pools. Unfinished/Old/New Business Meeting adjourned: 9:30</p>
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