



The SKIMMER



San Diego Chapter Monthly Newsletter – May 2006

Next General Meeting: May 17th, 2006, 7pm, Dinner Meeting, Trophy's 7510 Hazard Center Dr

**May 17th Dinner Meeting Trophy's, 7510 Hazard Center Dr.
Superior San Diego 50 pound Tab Raffle and more!**

Calendar

- 5/17 General Meeting, 7 pm**
Annual Dinner Meeting,
Trophy's Hazard Center
- 5/20, Blood Drive 8:00 am**
Antique Row Café, Lemon Grv
3521 Lemon Grove Ave
- 5/24 & 5/25 SDG&E Seminar**
12p-4pm or 5-9pm sessions
Sheraton 4 Points Aero Dr
800-613-8970 to register
- 6/7 Chapter Board 7 pm**
Lamont Street Grill, PB
- 6/21 General Meeting, 7 pm**
Kings Inn - Cardinal Room
- 7/11 Region 7 Board, 7p, SCP**
San Diego 5648 Copley Drive
- 8/5 B.O.R.D. Mtg., San Diego**
Location TBA

PRESIDENT'S BRIEFS.

Our next meeting will be on May 17th at 7:00 at Trophy's Restaurant in Mission Valley. We will have free food, a no host bar and a very short formal meeting. The majority of the meeting will be devoted to meeting other members of our chapter and getting to know them. Your Board feels that the chance to socialize and get to know your fellow IPSSA members is extremely important. Some of you are servicing a sick leave pool right now. This duty is much more meaningful to you if you have had the opportunity to meet and get to know that chapter member. It also gives you the chance to network, ask questions of more experienced members, and meet someone who can help and give advice. This is one of the founding principles of IPSSA.

We have a large amount of money in our continuing education fund. Please take advantage of this. We pay about 50% of any educational costs that you incur related to the pool industry. This is a wonderful opportunity

to improve your knowledge and ability to have a very successful business.

Hope to see you all next Wednesday. Don't forget to check the Skimmer for a coupon for the drawing for Superior 3" tabs.

A big thanks to **Raypak** for their manufacturer rebate check for nearly \$7,000 for the 200 to 300 heaters our members purchased. The money goes into our Continuing Education Fund.

Mike Gregg, President

Directory Changes

- John Toms: **1026 S Johnson Ave.
El Cajon 92020**

For Sale

Chapter Supporter Chris Cason of Blake Sales donated an UltraPure Ozonator (\$471 wholesale value). Our price to you, \$350 is a great deal and comes with Chris Cason installation assistance.

IPSSA – San Diego Chapter - www.ipssasandiego.com/members

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Mark McMahon kidsafepool.com	Pool Safety Systems-Life Saver Safety Fences, Covers, Products	937 Serra Way Costa Mesa CA 92626	888-655-SAFE (7233) 714-751-1988 Fax
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General Meeting-Apr 19, 2006

Kings Inn – Mission Valley

Called to Order: 7:05 p.m.

53 members signed in and at least 14 guests were in attendance.

Greeters: James Morketter, Carlos Grossefingler and Rodger Weaver.

Pledge of Allegiance

Early Bird Raffle

Those who had signed in at 7:00pm were in the Early Bird Raffle, XTreme Clean products were won by John Silcox and Raymond Mora.

Secretary's Report – Paul Grimes

Minutes were approved.

No correspondence received.

Paul advised that the updated Standing Rules and Sick Leave Plan are available at the sign-in table. For those not here tonight, Paul will bring member copies to the May meeting.

V.P. – Mark Curran

Prospective members

Robert Gibson will be up for a vote later this evening. We have several others in process.

Chapter Supporters

Mark asked Chapter Supporters and guests to come to the front of the room to introduce themselves and tell about their product or service.

Introduction of Guests

Chapter Supporters: David Courey of Pool Surfing 2000, Lisa Helm of First Investor Corp, Bill Krause of CeRam Cote, Brandon Chase of SunChaser Solar, Tony Ruf of BriteTile, Jim King of Tile Medic, Tony Ruf of Brite Tile, Eric Svensson of Alternative Pool Systems and Chris Cason of Blake Sales. Also attending: Juhli Selby of SCP, Michelle Howard of Suntrek, Natan Bakcht of World Financial Group, Travis Guevara of Superior San Diego, Mike Ray and Dan Frank of Saleslink plus prospective members Nick Nathan, Heang Tea and Rob Gibson.

SCP is holding seminars and the schedule is in the April Skimmer.

President's Report – Mike Gregg

Mike announced that the long-awaited Standing Rules and Sick Leave Plan updates are completed. Mike thanked Paul Grimes for compiling and coordinating the printing of the updates. There is also a page near the front of the folder which advises members how to stay fine-free. Mike advised that the updates were approved by the membership last year. Mike presented Jim Bradbury with an

award for serving on the Region 7 Board in 2004-2005.

Tom Richardson is out on Sick Leave and should be out 5 more weeks.

At the Region 7 Board meeting, Mike passed around our photo directory. Everyone was impressed and discussed the potential of producing a Region 7 directory.

Sick Leave

Nothing to add to Mike's report on Tom Richardson, but it could be more than 5 weeks.

Continuing Education

Stephen Heyer said that Carlos Grossefingler used the pool, cart, but found it did not work for him as he had numerous accounts with access problems. Additionally, his truck hitch didn't match up well.

Juhli Selby of SCP stated that their seminars are in the April Skimmer and the first class was today. Seven attended Javier Payan's water chemistry class and 2 took the IPSSA water chemistry test which followed.

Stephen passed out checks to Brian Davis for a Quick Books course, Joe Dianna for the Western Show and Bob Reed for his contractor's license. Pat Schulteis and Jim Holmes are installing salt systems under our test program. A Goldline salt unit will go into an account of Stephen Heyer.

Stephen stated that in three years we've handed out \$1,672 in checks for education reimbursement – we can do much more.

Manufacturer's Rebate

Jon McArthur basically blew everybody away as he presented the Chapter with a check for \$6812.50 from Raypak for our member purchases of 200 to 300 Raypak heaters. This money will go into our Continuing Education Fund. Thanks Raypak.



We have or are working toward rebate programs with Pentair, Jandy, Hayward and Waterpik.

**Water Safety/Public Relations/
Blood Drive**

John Silcox told the sad truth of a Clairemont mom's young daughter got out the sliding door and drown in the pool.

John said it's our obligation to check gates, drains and pool lights for safety.

We have safety brochures and IPSSA has 50 free WaterWatcher tags per member request.

John asked if other members would like to join the Water Safety Committee – we need help in covering the events we attend to pass out safety materials.

There was discussion regarding getting the word out, including buying an ad in the U-T. The Water Safety Committee distributes materials to the public and has arranged for materials to be available at retail pool supply stores. Anything to get the brochure and WaterWatcher tag to the public. PoolList USA has addresses and can donate their one-time use for distribution through the US Mail. It was agreed that our chapter should find a fence and gate company to become a Chapter Supporter.

Entertainment

Joe Lukacik announced that the May Annual Dinner Meeting will be a Trophy's Hazard Center, May 17th. We'll have chicken alfredo, salad and a no-host bar. Come and enjoy the food and fun.

The Region 7 Picnic is scheduled for Sunday August 27th at De Anza Cove.

Treasurer's Report – Jim Bauer

We're in good shape financially, especially thanks to Raypak and Jon McArthur. The approved report is in the Skimmer. Jim Bauer stated our financial reports are sent to IPSSA Inc.

Vice President's Report

Robert Gibson of Sapphire Pools was voted in as a member. Robert serves 63 accounts in Rancho Bernardo, Poway and Scripps Ranch. Robert knows that some of his pools are outside our Sick Leave coverage area.

Speaker – Mike Gray and Dan Frank of Saleslink presented the DelZone ozone system/salt generator. It produces ozone 24/7 and has a smaller cell which cleans easily without cell removal.

Michelle Howard of Suntrek suggested that with \$72 per barrel oil, solar looks good! Suntrek offers \$300 referral fees and has bill stuffers for member use.

Jim Bradbury stated that he had a good, used pool slide available for free if someone picks it up at Superior.

Insurance (Chapter Advisor)

Product Testing

Unfinished Business

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San Diego Chapter Financial Report – April 1 – April 30, 2006

	<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.	5,863.27		Bank charges		
Savings Acct. (Educ.) / Total	10,408.77	16,279.90	Education	295.00	
			Guy Muto & SPEC	400.00	
Cash Receipts			Directory, Rules/Sick Leave Production	1000.00	
Dues collected by IPSSA	1,985.00		Door prizes Raffle	25.00	
Dues Collected directly			Hall Rental		
Chapter Supporters	280.00		Newsletter		
Initiation fees			Legal/Professional Computer consulting	100.00	
Interest earned	7.45		Meeting expense:		
Rebate Program	6812.50		- General		
Chapt. Supporter Dinner Donations			- Chapter Board	333.75	
Picnic			- Regional Dues		
Other –H2O Watcher Tags			- Water Safety Committee		
Fines: - H2O Chemistry			Office expense: Printing/Copies	110.21	
- Mandatory meeting			Phone	18.68	
- Sick coverage fine			Postage & Copies		
- Blue Card			Rules/Sick Leave printing	567.51	
New Member			Water Safety meeting registration		
			- Entertainment		
Water Watcher tags			- Blood Drive Breakfast		
Water Safety Committee Income			- Fund transfer: savings to checking		
Total Income in Month		9,084.95	Total Expenses in Month		2,875.15
			Cash on Hand (Ending Balance)		-----
			Checking Acct.	5,253.27	
			Savings Acct. (Education) / Total	17,228.72	22481.99

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.

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Old Business - New Business Good of the Order Raffle
It pays to attend our General Meetings.
 Jim Holmes won the monthly 50# bucket of tabs from Superior San Diego, Joe Dudas won the \$150 door prize with rollover (not present, so it will roll over), Terry Wendt won the \$25 prize, Gary Sevigney won the 1.5 HP motor donated by Superior San Diego. A \$50 gift card was also raffled away as was two great seats to a Padres game donated by Chris

Cason of Blake Sales.
 Meeting ended at approximately 8:10pm, when members, chapter supporter and guests mingled.
Board Meeting May 3, 2006
 Antica Trattoria, La Mesa
 Called to Order: 7:17 p.m.
 Attending - Mike Gregg, Mark Curran, Jim Bauer, Paul Grimes, Jim Bradbury, Stephen Heyer and Bill Peck.
 Mike started the meeting by announcing that the May Dinner meeting will be at Trophy's in Hazard Center.
Discussion on Continuing Education.
 Stephen Heyer reported that we have a

nice nest egg of money thanks to Raypak and Jon McArthur. Stephen suggested we obtain three \$2,000 Certificates of Deposit so that money will be available for use every 6 months. We have only dispersed \$1,700 in the past 3 years. Stephen suggested we set up seminars and possibly provide seminars at General Meetings. We are willing to pay for transportation and lodging for out of town speakers who can provide excellent education for our members. These seminars do not have to be during General
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Region 7 Review

A monthly publication for the members of IPSSA, Inc. – Region 7- May 2006
Amended version – Full version at ipssasandiego.com/members

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Hidden Pool Dangers

Former Secretary of State **James Baker** 3rd lost a granddaughter in a hot tub drowning in 2002. **Virginia Baker**, 7, was pulled under by a drain with no safety valve. (Pool drains also pose a risk.) “Parents need to warn their kids of the dangers and supervise them when in the water,” says Virginia’s mother, **Nancy**. The Bakers are pushing for national standards for pools and hot tubs as part of National Safe Kids Week (May 6 - 13). Visit www.safekids.org to learn more.

North County Times PARADE, Sun., May 7, 2006, page 10.

Highlights of IPSSA, INC. – R7 Regular Board Meeting

April 11, 2006

Chapter Reports:

Carlsbad Doug Hausman – 1) New meeting location; previous was too noisy. 2) One new member. 3) All chapter members are chem certified. 4) Members filled out new blue cards.

East County Dick Allen – 1) Three new members since the first of the year, three new chapter supporters. 2) May get a chapter Web site.

Escondido Loyal Johnson – 1) Chapter is running smoothly. 2) Chapter members and friends attended the Padres game Saturday.

Metro Ken Settles – 1) Ken’s last run as chapter president; he is trying to get other members involved, and there are new people on committees. 2) Several guest speakers. 3) Three new members pending; need to pass chem test.

N. County Coastal Jim Lawson – 1) February chapter meeting was excellent. Good guest speakers are scheduled for this month. 2) Chapter sick route coverage the previous month. 3) Two new members.

Rancho Del Mar Dave Rockwell – 1) New board and committee members. 2) Trying to resurrect the chapter newsletter, with the cost to be covered by chapter supporters. 3) Great guest speakers at chapter meetings. 4) One member down. Two members covered the route; the member is very appreciative. 5) One prospective member.

San Diego Mike Gregg – 1) Chapter has almost the same committee members as last year. 2) Three new members, several new chapter supporters. 3) Goal is to make meetings shorter, but it is a challenge. 4) Chapter has a photo directory; it is very handy. Board members discussed resurrecting R7 directory. 5) Lots of sick route coverage last year.

Safety Report John Silcox, IPSSA San Diego chapter, explained that **Rick Bishop** actually started the water safety program several years ago with **Jon Rumble** and **A J Wilson**. There was an agreement with Safe Kids Coalition to share the cost of printing Water Watcher tags.

The San Diego chapter later did some brainstorming and developed the water safety brochure. The goal is to get the message of water safety out to pool owners. Several thousand tags and brochures have been distributed in the last few years; we are making headway in getting out the word.

John spoke on his attendance at the Fifth Annual National Drowning Prevention Symposium in Fort Myers Beach, FL (see his article in The IPSSAN, “Report from Fifth Annual National Drowning Prevention Symposium,” April 2006, page 11).

Director’s Announcements:

A. **Advertising Campaign** – 1) **Paid PR person** – **Javier** is in charge of public relations at the B.O.R.D. level. The idea is to have more exposure in the pool industry and to the public in general and become a household name. We are not just charging for pool service – we can be the go-to people on anything having to do with water safety. Proposal for a \$5,000 PR campaign. **Motion** was made by Jim Lawson, seconded by Mike Gregg, and carried to approve funds for a PR person, with a cap of \$2,000 for R7. 2) **Bumper stickers** and safety materials available to members to promote IPSSA. Vision that IPSSA will gain name recognition, and the consumer will call an IPSSA member or check the IPSSA Web site. **David Rockwell** has a video on water safety that chapters may borrow for their meetings. 3) **Water Safety Tags** give IPSSA exposure to prospective members.

B. **Hayward Pool Products** - If IPSSA meets its goal of 5,000 mem-

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bers by the end of the year, Hayward will donate \$5,000 in products to the chapter that brings in the most new members or employees.

C. SPEC – 1) \$1,000 donation from SPEC approved at Installation Weekend. 2) SPEC was active in CSLB stings. There were not a lot of arrests, but it got the attention of unlicensed contractors. 3) Packed room at WPSS. 4) Free DVDs of a recent presentation, “Exterminating the Leeches from the Pool Industry,” available to IPSSA chapters. Call 1-800-991- SPEC.

D. Water Safety – 1) Pool and Spa News article – **Nancy Baker**, whose daughter died several years ago, wrote an article addressing suction entrapment and calling for additional laws retroactive on existing pools. **Don Burns**, SPEC, is fighting it. **Javier** and **John Silcox** will prepare a response from IPSSA. 2) National Safe Kids Week, sponsored by the Safe Kids Coalition, will take place May 8 – 13 and will emphasize swimming pool safety, with Johnson & Johnson as a supporter. This is an opportunity for media exposure.

E. Salt Staining? **Terry Snow**, R3, reported some incidents of salt staining of pools in the LA area. Tell **Javier** of any incidents you’ve experienced, and he will pass the info to Terry.

F. Region 7 Picnic – Committees are being formed.

G. IPSSA Expansion into Florida – **Javier** went to the Florida Pool and Spa Show; it was phenomenal. Exciting to see people take the test and sign up with IPSSA. The artwork in pool magazines got exposure for IPSSA.

Membership Benefits:

Service agreements available to IPSSA members through the Arrow Insurance Web site; you are welcome to cut and paste for your use. **Ray Arousty** says that if you notice a safety hazard, you should send a certified letter alerting your customer. **Javier** created an NCR form, NOTIFICATION/PROPOSAL, which he has been using for several years. Safety hazards or health code violations can be listed with the estimate to correct/repair. It has actually gotten him a lot of new business.

IPSSA Water Chem Books:

A draft of the new water chemistry book was passed out.

NSPF has proposed partnering with IPSSA to make the COP course available to members at a reduced cost. IPSSA would pay your tuition. When you complete the course, you could then charge tuition to teach it. IPSSA is looking for someone to fill the position.

B.O.R.D. Meetings: 1) Saturday, May 6, Austin TX. 2) Saturday, August 5, San Diego, CA. These B.O.R.D. meetings are open to all regular members, so get the word out to your chapter members to come on by; give **Javier** a head count for meals. **Loyal Johnson** suggested making attendance at a B.O.R.D. meeting count towards chapter meeting attendance.

New Business:

A. NPC – **Mike Gregg** said IPSSA is not listed as an affiliate of the National Plasters Council. **Javier** will look into it.

B. Next R7 meeting – Tuesday, July 11, 2006.

SDG&E Pool Filtration Seminar

LOCATION: The Sheraton Four Points Hotel
8110 Aero Drive, San Diego, CA 92123

DATES: (four sessions available)
Wed. 5/24: 12PM – 4PM ID 5376
Wed. 5/24: 5PM – 9PM ID 5378
Thu. 5/25: 12PM – 4PM ID 5377
Thu. 5/25: 5PM – 9PM ID 5375

The seminar will be taught by Gary Fernstrom, Pacific Gas & Electric’s internal technical consultant for Energy Efficiency. An Industrial Engineering graduate from California State Polytechnic University in San Luis Obispo, Gary has worked for PG&E for 38 years and created, developed, and managed PG&E’s successful Swimming Pool Pump and Motor Program.

This program is funded by California utility customers and administered by SDG&E under the auspices of the California Public Utilities Commission.

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This SDG&E Seminar is a repeat of an informative seminar that discusses two-speed pumps and cost savings.

A trailer set up with several pumps (old, new, 2-speed & variable-speed) clearly show savings with real-time flow rate and energy use gauges.

Register online at www.SDGE.com/training or contact the Registration Help Desk at 1-800-613-8970

Last year lunch/dinner was served (This seminar is great! Paul G.)

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 Meetings.
 Stephen will set up a Seminar Committee which will work with the Table Top Committee for ideas. The Table Top Committee also has funds and may choose to work with the Chapter on joint seminars. The discussion included whether we should run our own CPO course and/or Contractor's license course. A laptop and projector could be purchased if needed for use at seminars and General Meetings. Phil and Austin Gardner volunteer to help Stephen with the committee. Other ideas to increase attendance at General Meetings and seminars were discussed. Additional funding may be provided for the Water Safety committee to improve their signage.
 Paul Grimes noted that the Guy and Gloria Muto Scholarship Fund has been receiving \$100 per month from our Chapter for years. With our increase in membership and inflation, Paul proposed an increase. The Board approved a monthly donation of \$200.
 Muto Scholarships have been awarded to several outstanding sons and daughters of our Chapter members for help with college expenses. The Muto Foundation's President is Bob Fowler while Jon McArthur and Paul Grimes are on an eight member Board. Paul volunteers to run the website at www.ggmuto.org.
 The Muto Foundation is entering a drive to increase donations from manufacturers and our increased

contribution is a challenge to others in the industry.
 If approved by the Muto Foundation board, a scholarship will be named for the San Diego Chapter of IPSSA beginning in 2006 or 2007.

Prospective Members

Heang Tea is ready for a Chapter vote at the May meeting. Phil Gardiner's son, Austin, who will turn 18 soon, is looking at his own company and membership.

May Dinner Meeting:

The dinner meeting will have no speaker and limited business.

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Committee Reports – None
 Unfinished/Old/New Business –None
 Meeting adjourned at 9:30 p.m.

Latest Committee Reports

Entertainment – Mike Anderson

We had our first Region 7 picnic meeting last night. The date for this year's event is SUNDAY, AUG. 27th AT DE ANZA COVE...It looks like a hot rod/50's Vegas theme w/ grand prize trips to Las Vegas... Mike

Sick Leave

Continuing Education- Stephen

The Education Comm. along with the rest of the Chapter, I'm sure would like to again thank Jon McArthur for his efforts on behalf of the chapter for the latest donation of \$6,000.00 to the Education Fund which brings the total to \$17,000.00. That's SEVENTEEN THOUSAND DOLLARS and some cents. These funds are manufacturer rebates A little history. The John's, (Silcox & McArthur), one day sat in a pub (no

surprise) and tried to find a method of helping the members of our chapter get smart. After much caloric intake, the Ed. Fund was born.

Since then we have done many things for the chapter such as CPR courses & paying for members costs of various other learning tools. Now, because of the amount in the fund, its time to take it to another level. We are forming a Ed. Fund steering group. We need your input on how to set this up for the future. We also would like volunteers to sit on the comm. Don't be shy! Serve and help us all to be the best pool professionals there are. It's important to remember that these are chapter funds - not the regions and certainly not IPSSA Inc's. Those members that can look forward to the next meeting to receive their E. rebates for course work include:

Bad boy Peck, Carlos Grosselfinger, the Gardiner boys (Phil & Austin), Joe Dianna and, once again – Brian Davis. Good work people. Stay tuned for breaking developments. I'll see you at dinner. GET SMART! Stephen

Product Testing

Prospective Member – Bill Peck

Prospective Member Heang Tea is ready to be voted in at the May meeting. He has met all the requirements and been approved by the Board. We have one PM who has attended two meetings and two who have attended one meeting.

Public Relations, Water Safety,

Blood Drive – John Silcox

Blood Drive: All members, family members and chapter supporters are encouraged to donate blood at any San Diego Blood Bank for the IPSSA San Diego account. A chapter-funded, pre-donation breakfast will be held at the Antique Row Cafe, 3521 Lemon Grove Avenue, Lemon Grove on Saturday, May 20th. at 8 AM.

Water Safety: Members of the Water Safety Committee have attended the Day of the Child event in Chula Vista and the April Pools Day event in Santee to distribute Water Watcher tags and safety brochures to the public. They also will be attending the Healthy Kids and Healthy Families safety fair at Children's Hospital on Sunday, May 7th. The committee is also working with Safe Kids Coalition on a media event scheduled for the week of May 8th. This is National Safe Kids week and the emphasis this year is on water safety.



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92007 - Cardiff	92037 - La Jolla	92101 - Downtown	91902 - Bonita	91901 - Alpine
92014 - Del Mar	92108 - Mission Valley	92102 - Golden Hill	91910 - Chula Vista	91935 - Jamul
92024 - Encinitas	92109 - Pacific Beach	92103 - Hilerst/MsnHl	91911 - Chula Vista	91941 - La Mesa
92064 - Poway	92111 - Clairemont	92104 - North Park	91913 - Chula Vista	91942 - La Mesa
92067 - Rancho S Fe	92117 - Clairemont	92105 - City Heights	91914 - Eastlake	91945 - Lemon Grove
92075 - Solana Beach	92119 - San Carlos	92106 - Pt. Loma	91915 - Eastlake	91977 - Spring Valley
92091 - Morgan Run	92120 - Grantville	92107 - Ocean Bch/PL	91932 - Imperial Bch	91978 - Rancho SD
92121 - Sorrento Valey	92122 - Univ. City	92110 - Midway/O.T.	91950 - National City	92019 - El Cajon
92126 - Mira Mesa	92123 - Mission Village	92113 - Logan Heights	92118 - Coronado	92020 - El Cajon
92127 - Rancho Berndo	92124 - Tierrasanta	92114 - Encanto	92154 - Otay Mesa	92021 - El Cajon
92128 - Rancho Berndo		92115 - Rolando	92173 - San Ysidro	92040 - Lakeside
92129 - Penasquitos		92116 - Normal Hgts		92071 - Santee
92130 - Carmel Valley		92139 - Paradise Hills		
92131 - Scripps Ranch				

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SIGNATURE REQUIRED _____ DATE _____

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**Next General Meeting, May 17, 2006 – 7 p.m.
Trophy's Hazard Center, 7510 Hazard Center Rd**

