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SAN DIEGO CHAPTER MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

2011

President's Message

The end of the summer is only a few days away. I don't know about you but it sure seems like this year is flying by. We only had one notable heat wave instead of the usual three or four this past season. I guess I'm not ready for autumn yet. Speaking of autumn, during the next several months the Chapter will be challenged with many things needing to be accomplished. We will need to select a B.K. Taylor Award winner at the September general meeting and we will need to select a David Courey Chapter Supporter Award winner at the October mandatory general meeting. Now is the time to prepare a nomination form for either or both awards. Nomination forms can be found in this issue of the Skimmer and on our website. Also, prior to the September meeting, Mark R. Lane from Pentair will be hosting a seminar beginning at 5:00 PM that will be worth two Continuing Education points.

Speaking of Continuing Education points, the Continuing Education Program will conclude its' second session at the end of 2011. If you do not have your Continuing Education form filled out properly and turned in to Jon McArthur by midnight December 31st, you will face automatic expulsion from IPSSA.

The October mandatory meeting will require extensive planning and volunteers to execute a well-run evening. The check in process will require every Chapter member and Chapter Supporter to verify all of their contact information, from home address, to mailing address, to e-mail address, to phone numbers, etc. A professional photographer will be stationed to take an updated picture of all members and supporters for the new directory that will be published at the end of 2011. Anyone interested in

advertising in the new directory should contact Gary Roberts immediately at 619-920-4688 for information. The deadline for advertising is approaching soon. Elections will be held for a new Board of Officers. The Nominating Committee has been working hard at finding suitable, qualified, and willing members to present to the membership for a vote this October. The October Skimmer will have a listing of the candidates for each Board position. Nominations will also be taken from the floor the night of the meeting prior to each vote. Please arrive at the October meeting no later than 6:45 PM.

The Chapter recently finished performing Sick Leave coverage for Marc Stewart and is currently performing coverage for two other members. Keep up the good work and stay in communication with the sick member and the Sick Leave Chairmen.

Cheers, Mark

Prospective Member Report

Michael Long, Michael Long's Pool Service, has met all of the requirements for membership and will be ready for a vote at the September meeting. There are no other prospective members at this time.

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There are a few classes coming up if you still need POINTS.

- 9/21/2011 Pentair classes before chapter meeting
- 10/2011 Ray Pak seminar
- 9/29-10/1/2011 P I E Show
- 11/2- 11/4/2011 Las Vegas Show
- 11/16/2011 Hayward classes

Members who have turned in their forms with 10 points are:

M. Andrews, S. Atkins, R. Baker, J. Baldwin, G. Blizard, P. Castaldi, F. Chavez, G. Conradi, M. Curran, K. Curtis, D. Afshin, B. Davis, P. Gardiner, N. Groff, E. Hale, R. Hayes, D. Jaszczak, M. Lucas, J. McArthur, M. Middledorf, A. Morales, J. Morketter, C. Murphy, N. Nathan, M. Overman, M. Padilla, M. Pantoliano, B. Peck, J. Rumble, J. Silcox, R. Weaver, T. Wehrly

Submitted by Jon McArthur

General Meeting Highlights

September 21, 2011

5:00 – 6:30 pm

Pentair Seminar by Mark Lane

2 Education points – see enclosed flyer

Nominations and vote for Chapter B. K. Taylor Award/ Region 7 award candidate

October 19, 2011

Mandatory Meeting

Election of 2012/13 Board Information and Photos for 2012/13 Directory

Nominate/Vote on David Courey Chapter Supporter Award

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General Meeting – 8/17/2011

Dinner Meeting - Admiral Baker Clubhouse
Call to order 7:30 PM.

Aug. board meeting minutes approved.
Treasurer Jim Bauer reported that we are in good shape financially.

The Auction for Kevin Wallace's Kauai condo was won by James Morketter for \$950. All proceeds to go to child safety and drowning prevention.

Jon McArthur spoke briefly regarding the nominating committee.

Krista Hudson of PS2000 spoke regarding the chapter picnic.

Mark R. Lane reminded us of the upcoming Pentair training prior to the September general meeting.

Raffle-

\$100 Gary Roberts, \$25 Mike Andrews
\$50 Gas card Mark Stewart
50# tabs Mike Gregg

Pool Rx units Baron Ortiz and Greg Coon

Adjourn 8:45 PM

Board Meeting – 9/7/2011

Phil Gardiner, Jim Bauer, James Morketter, Mark Curran, Bill Peck
Call to order- 7:35

A reminder about the picnic was given from Mark.

Mark R. Lane will hold a seminar prior to the September general meeting.

The speakers at the September meeting will be Roland from Pro-Zone and Mark R. Lane of Pentair.

We discussed a strategy for streamlining the October mandatory meeting.

The board decided to not have a speaker at the October meeting due to time constraints.

We will nominate A.J. Wilson as an honorary member at the October meeting.

The sick leave coverage for Mark Stewart is complete, the coverage for Thom Graham continues.

Phil Gardiner is in the process of renewing chapter supporters. The board reviewed issues pertaining to chapter supporters.

Jim Bauer informed us that we are in good shape with regard to fines.

We discussed upcoming chapter events.

Bill Peck informed us that prospective member Mike Long will be ready for a vote at the September general meeting.

Meeting Adjourned 8:40 PM.

Region 7 Director Quarterly Report

Notes from Aug. 13 BORD meeting:

1. The next IPSSA BORD meeting will be Nov. 4 5 at the Mandalay Bay Hotel in Las Vegas.
 2. The IPSSA ensus stands at 3,670.
 3. The preliminary 2012 budget was presented and will be finalized at the Nov. meeting.
 4. Arouesty presented a summary of insurance claims.
 - No. 1 Number one in size of potential \$ loss is a claim having to do with the failure of a Rola-Chem Pump failing in the open position and dumping 5 gallons of liquid chlorine into a 800-gallon spa, severely burning two bathers.
 - No. 2, of utmost importance to IPSSA members two claims having to do with filter lid injuries, resulting in a death and a severe brain injury.
 - A requirement to add a \$0.75 processing fee for insurance that came about because of the new policy to allow non-Arrow insurance for members requesting it. The implementation date has been delayed until further discussion at the Nov. meeting.
 5. A policy on IPSSA approval of seminar presentations at Region Tabletop shows.
 6. **Steve Donohoe** approved as liaison to the NSPF.
 7. The issue of an alternate Region representative was remanded back to the bylaws committee for a proposal. This will require a bylaws change to authorize the position. This will necessitate a membership vote. If established, the position will have to be elected to comply with California corporate law. Sorry, we were ahead of the curve, but no cigar!
- R7 Notes: REMEMBER R7 meeting Sept. 28.**
- B.K. Taylor Recipient Selection
 - Election of R7 BORD Rep. Two candidates: **Joe Lukacik** and **Javier Payan**.
 - All Chapter need to hold elections by October 15th.

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Calendar

- 9/21 Before General Meeting 5pm
- Pentair Seminar = see enclosed Flyer
- 9/21 General Meeting 7pm Future: 10/19, 11/16
- Nominations / Election of 2011
- B. K. Taylor Chapter Award
- 9/24, Blood Drive 8 am
- Antique Row Café, Lemon Grove
- 3521 Lemon Grove Av
- 9/28 Region 7 Board Meeting - 7:00 pm
- SCP Conf. Room 5648 Copley Dr SD
- 9/28-10/1 P.I.E. Show Monterey CA
- 10/5 Chapter Board: Future 11/2, 12/7
- 7 pm Kensington Grill
- 10/19 General Meeting 7pm
- Annual Mandatory Attendance Meeting
- Board Elections, Directory Photos/Updates

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You can play the video at this address: <http://ahsc.arizona.edu/node/730>

The most important advantage for the victim is the abandonment of the useless business of trying to puff air down his throat. In every "street CPR" that I've witnessed, the victim ended up with a stomach full of air (gastric dilatation), which usually ended up moving his supper into his windpipe (or into the windpipe of the resuscitator). And gastric dilatation is in itself a mechanism for inducing cardiac arrhythmia and shock! And the best feature of it is the use of that song ("Stayin' Alive") to time the rate of compression. It dispenses with the common error of pumping 'way too fast or 'way too slow.

Tom Richardson

SPEC LEGISLATURE SENDS TWO KEY WORKERS' COMPENSATION MEASURES TO GOVERNOR— Sept. 7, 2011

The California State Legislature sent two important workers' compensation bill supported by SPEC to the Governor for his signature. AB 397 is a measure co-authored by Assemblymen Bill Monning (D-Santa Cruz) and Bill Berryhill (R-Stockton). The bill would require, at the time of renewal, all active licensees of the Contractors State License Board (CSLB) who claim an exemption for workers' compensation insurance on file to recertify the exemption. Under the provisions of the bill, each such licensee would be required to complete a recertification statement on the license renewal form, under penalty of perjury, or to provide a current and valid Certificate of Workers' Compensation Insurance or Certificate of Self-Insurance, whichever is applicable. License renewal would not be allowed unless the licensee meets the above requirements.

AB 878 is another measure authored by the same legislators. This bill would require a workers' compensation insurer to report to the Contractors State License Board (CSLB) when it cancels a CSLB licensee's workers' compensation insurance policy, if the insurer has completed a premium audit or investigation

and a material misrepresentation has been made that results in financial harm to the insurer and the licensee has not reimbursed the insurer.

SPEC has worked with the co-authors and the Construction Enforcement Coalition, a group representing almost 100 construction industry trade associations, labor and state agencies that have been working to address issues in the underground economy and with non-compliant contractors.

In this economy, California is experiencing more and more licensed contractors violating the law by way of not paying workers' compensation premiums. This results in increased risk of employees, increased risk for consumers who may be held responsible for injuries on their property or projects, and premium fraud which creates an uneven playing field for competitors. Bad actors that violate the law take business away from the legitimate, law-abiding contractors by underbidding projects. This not only results in unfair competition, but it also robs the state of tax revenues.

"These measures take important steps in the fight against non-compliant contractors and the underground economy," said John A. Norwood, President of SPEC. "SPEC is proud to have supported these important bills hope Governor Brown will sign them into law."

August 22, 2011

INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR LEGISLATION RESOLVED

A bill (opposed by SPEC) that would have imposed onerous reporting responsibilities on employers in California has been negotiated and will be significantly amended in the coming days.

As initially introduced, SB 459 (Corbett) would have required **all employers** to provide to independent contractors a form developed by the Employment Development Department (EDD) regarding the factors affecting and significance of being classified an independent contractor. In addition, this measure would require employers to maintain for two years a record of all independent contractors hired by the employer and subject employers to severe penalties for violation of the law.

A coalition of business interests opposed to the bill, including SPEC, argued that SB 459 would hold employers responsible for "willful misclassification" of an employee as an independent contractor, without also clarifying or outlining a clear and objective test that employers may utilize to determine if an individual is an employee or independent contractor. In addition, SB 459 would also subject employers to additional litigation under the Private Attorney General's Act. This would add another layer of costs onto businesses due to the litigation fees and expenses they will be forced to incur in defending such actions. Moreover, SB 459 would impose another burden on "any person or employer" with the requirement to maintain records for two years of all independent contractors that have been hired by that person or employer, and imposes a penalty if the person or employer fails to maintain the documentation and proof of delivery of the form/disclosure.

After months of working with the author to develop a compromise, Senator Corbett finally agreed to take amendments to remove the burdensome reporting and filing requirements. As amended, SB 459 would simply prohibit the willful misclassification, as defined, of individuals as independent contractors. The bill would authorize the Labor and Workforce Development Agency to assess specified civil penalties from, and would require the agency to take other specified disciplinary actions against, persons or employers violating the bill. It would also require the agency to notify the Contractors' State License Board of a violator that is a licensed contractor, and require the board to initiate an action against the licensee. As amended, SPEC removed their opposition.

August 18, 2011

SPEC Requests Delay on Pool Regulations

SPEC has requested that the California Department of Public Health delay the process of adopting new building standards for public pools and water parks. The proposed new building standards are currently subject to a second 45-day public comment period after having been substantially amended as requested by SPEC in anticipation of a hearing before the California Building Standards Commission scheduled for October 19, 2011.

In June SPEC submitted 130 pages of comments relative to the proposed regulations. In addition, the SPEC subcommittee working on this project has had several conference calls with Department of Public Health officials in order to address concerns raised by SPEC. "Although the Department has accepted the majority of SPEC's comments in their amended proposal, there are several larger issues that there has not been sufficient time to address," stated John Norwood, President of SPEC. "We believe the better option would be to include the new regulations in the tri-annual update of building standards to become effective June 1, 2014," continued Norwood.

SPEC's letter to the Department of Public Health (see attached) urges the Department to subject the new building standards to an advisory committee process within the California Building Standard Commission. The process would entail the appointment of a 3-person subcommittee of the Ad Hoc Advisory Committee to the Commission. The advisory committee would then hold its own hearings to address key issues raised by SPEC, local building officials and public pool operations. "We do not know at this time whether the Department of Public Health will accept SPEC's recommendations," indicated Norwood. "However, at this point we believe that the staff recommendations to the California Building Standards Commission will be to delay the proposed regulations as SPEC has requested," noted Norwood.

A companion proposal by the Department of Public Health to amend Title 22 regarding public pool maintenance issues is also addressed by the SPEC request. "In our opinion, the Department's proposed amendments to both Title 22 and Title 24 should proceed together," stated Norwood.



Sent via: Email and U.S. Mail

August 10, 2011

Ms. Robin Belle Hook
Environmental Health Services Section Chief
California Department of Public Health

Mr. Jim McGowan
Deputy Executive Director
California Building Standards Commission
RE: PROPOSED CHANGES TO CALIFORNIA CODE OF REGULATIONS,
TITLE 24, PART 2, VOLUME 2 (SWIMMING POOLS)

Dear Ms. Belle Hook and Mr. McGowan:

On behalf of my client, the California Spa & Pool Education Council (Cal SPEC), I request that the California Department of Public Health (CDPH) withdraw its proposed amendments to Title 24 from the October 19th agenda of the California Building Standards Commission.

Cal SPEC believes the current schedule that the CDPH proposes for adoption of the new regulations - publication set for January 1, 2012 with an effective date of July 1, 2012 - would not provide adequate time for either public review by all affected parties or implementation by local enforcement authorities. To my knowledge, neither the League of California Cities, nor the California State Association of Counties, nor the Regional Council of Rural Counties has conducted a full review of the proposed regulations. Given that local government plays a leading role in enforcing Title 24 with respect to pools, that input could be critical. Local departments of health will also need time to train their staffs, modify relevant forms and processes, and educate local contractors and pool operators on these changes. Private operators of public pools - e.g., the California Apartment Association - need to be heard on these regulatory changes as well given the many practical suggestions they could offer. Because the current schedule is so tight, these benefits can not be realized without a postponement.

Cal SPEC suggests that the CDPH pursue its Title 24 amendments as part of the triennial building code update (the CDPH Title 22 amendments could also proceed on a similar track). This approach would provide the additional time needed for the more complete public review suggested above and also allow local government to implement these Title 24 changes as part of the broader triennial update. During the remainder of 2011 and the first part of 2012, the CDPH could conduct a more formal and comprehensive review process with all affected parties. This schedule would also allow the CDPH to submit the proposed regulations to the Code Advisory Committee - Building, Fire and Other, for review in advance of California Building Standards Commission consideration, a step that would promise a smoother BSC review process. Let me reiterate that Cal SPEC stands ready to provide any information and knowledge our members possess to the CDPH in the process. Our goal has been and remains that the CDPH produce the most workable and effective set of regulations possible to promote pool safety and public health. We believe the current proposed set of regulations, while making positive changes in some aspects, could nonetheless be improved considerably if a few more months of work were allowed.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

John Norwood

cc: Mr. Michael Nearrnan
California Building Standards Commission
Mr. Robert E. Raymer, PE
Member, Code Advisory Committee (BFO)

IPSSA, SAN DIEGO CHAPTER
DAVID COUREY MEMORIAL AWARD
Nomination Form

History: In 1995 IPSSA Region 7 initiated the Pool Technician of the Year Award. This honor has been awarded every year since to the Region 7 IPSSA member who best meets the criteria outlined below. In 1997, the award was renamed the **B. K. Taylor Memorial Award** in honor of B. K. Taylor, a long time outstanding member of the San Diego Chapter who passed away on May 19, 1997.

Award: The award consists of an inscribed plaque, complimentary dinner tickets and hotel accommodations for the recipient and a guest to attend the next annual IPSSA, Inc. Installation Dinner. The award is presented at the Region 7 Table Top Show prior to the Installation Dinner.

Procedure: Each chapter member is eligible to nominate a current Chapter Supporter member for this award. Nominations should be received on this form by the August General Meeting and an Award winner would be voted by the membership at the September General Meeting.

Personal Information:

Nominees Name: _____

Year of becoming Chapter Supporter _____

Criteria: The Chapter Supporter being nominated shall have contributed to the improvement of IPSSA and/or the pool service industry by any or all of the following. Describe nominee's significant contributions below.

1. **Demonstrates professionalism (known to be an excellent technician, pursues course work to improve skills, conducts business in an ethical and professional manner)**

2. **Contributes to IPSSA (willingly does sick route when called upon, serves as chapter, region or other officer or chairman within the organization, etc.)**

3. **Assists other service industry members (helps chapter members or other pool service professionals with chemical problems, difficult repairs: either through hands-on assistance or sharing information)**

4. **Contributes to his/her community (participates in church, charitable, or other community activities)**

Additional comments to support this nomination may be added on additional pages, if needed.

Submitted by: _____ Phone No.(_____)_____

From: Kim Skinner [mailto:kimskinner@rburst.com]
Sent: Saturday, August 13, 2011 3:13 PM
To: onBalance
Subject: Gray Mottling Plaster Discoloration #5

Gray Mottling Plaster Discoloration #5

This fifth article provides additional evidence that gray (or grey) mottling discoloration (which often takes several months to develop) is caused by improper plaster workmanship.

In 2003, the National Plasterers Council (NPC) commissioned the National Pool Industry Research Center (NPIRC) at Cal Poly in San Luis Obispo to conduct research experiments on plaster degradation, discoloration, and other durability issues. The second phase of their studies (2004-2005) consisted of twelve pools being plastered with one-half of each pool troweled with a small amount of water added to aid in lubrication of trowels and with the other half troweled without any water added.

The reason for this comparison was because the NPC wanted to prove that adding a little water to lubricate the trowel didn't cause "etching" (although no one has claimed that it does) and that adding water during finishing was okay to do, even though the cement flatwork industry strongly discourages it.

While the study didn't reveal significant differences between the two sides on the issue of etching, interestingly, it was observed in the balanced pools that the "no water added" side had significantly more discoloration than the "water added" side. Also, Pool 8, the aggressive pool, did not develop as much discoloration in comparison to most of the balanced pools. These inspections were performed several times over the course of eight months. Despite the known fact that troweling when cement and plaster is somewhat hard or dry can lead to discoloration, the Cal Poly professors did not make this a topic of discussion in the "Conclusions and Recommendations" section of their report.

Instead, their report (incorrectly) concludes that "wet troweling" is okay to do, and suggested (without proper

scientific evidence) that most plaster problems, (including discoloration, deterioration, and craze cracking), were caused by aggressive water chemistry, salt pools, borates, or (supposedly) inaccurate test kits.

Also conspicuously missing from the NPIRC study was an inspection to determine the amount of discoloration on the plaster coupons with high contents of calcium chloride added (2% to 5%), which is also known to cause graying of cement. Once again, the NPIRC avoided implicating defective plaster or workmanship. Does anyone believe that something is not amiss with this research?

Consider this; some plasterers occasionally use high amounts of calcium chloride to accelerate the hardening of pool plaster in order to finish their work quicker. When doing so, the plaster mix may sometimes harden so fast that finishers end up performing late, hard, and dry troweling, and perhaps add excessive amounts of water to compensate and get the plaster surface smooth. According to research by independent cement laboratories and the American Concrete Institute, that is a recipe for causing darkened or gray mottling discoloration, which sometimes also develops white "soft" spotting or streaking along with the graying.

Since the completion of the study in 2005, there has not been an admission by the NPC regarding the incomplete or misinterpreted data involved in the above results from their study. As an industry association, the NPC should acknowledge that graying and streaking can be caused by improper workmanship, and should not be suggesting that the NPIRC has proven that aggressive water chemistry or improper chemical start-ups cause this discoloration.

The NPC should be a leader and adopt standards that will promote quality plaster work that will improve the durability and cosmetic appearance of the popular and economical white plaster pools. They should be educating their members on proper workmanship techniques. They should stop suggesting that white plaster is inherently weak and can't withstand "imperfect" water balance chemistry. Yes, Quartz and Pebble pools can be more durable, but they are more expensive and can also experience discoloration and other similar defects from poor workmanship and/or materials.

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	General	Education	Expense Description	General	Education
Cash on Hand (Beg. Bal.)	27,755.18	9,277.45	Cash Disbursements		
CD & Savings		14,129.47	Bank charges		
Total	27,755.18	23,406.92	Continuing Education		
Combined total	51,162.10		S.P.E.C. Donation	200.00	
Cash Receipts			Santee Lakes Picnic Rent	245.00	
Dues collected by IPSSA	1,876.00		Door prizes Raffle	125.00	
Newsletter Advertisement			Newsletter	428.70	
Chapter Supporters –			Legal/Professional Computer consulting	100.00	
Member fines			Meeting expense		
Interest earned			- Chapter Board	161.32	
Rebate Program (Pentair Filters)			- General meeting (dinner)	2,648.40	
CD Interest		0.99	- Hall Rental		
Member payment			- Regional Dues	321.00	
Other –H2O Watcher Tags			- Water Watcher Program		
Fines: -			Office expense:		
			Phone	20.82	
			Postage & Copies	97.97	
			Mileage		
New Member			- New member refund	100.00	
Education Fund			- IRS payment		
Child Safety			- Blood Drive Breakfast		
Directory sales			Total Expenses in Month	4,448.21	0
Transfer from savings for Educ.			Cash on Hand (End Balance)	25,182.97	9,277.45
Total Income in Month	1,876.00	0.99	CD & Savings		14,120.46
			Total	25,182.97	23,407.91
			Combined Total	48,590.88	



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