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California Capitol Report

Changes still coming for California water landscape

By John Norwood

John Norwood is president of The California Pool and Spa Association (formerly SPEC).



As California exits a winter that brought much-needed rain to California and yet ultimately disappointed those who were hoping for an end to the drought, many are looking forward to the upcoming summer and years beyond. Although some of the reservoirs throughout the state have been refilled to their historical averages and there is a snowpack in the Sierra Nevada Mountains, this amount of water is not nearly enough to entirely end the drought. Compounding matters is the fact that most of the precipitation fell in the northern half of the state, leaving Southern California still parched and wondering what the water future will hold.

California that did not allow for the use of water for pools and spas that were put in with "new construction", and greatly discouraged the building of pools for existing homes. This language was part of the District's Stage 4 Long Term Water Crisis restrictions, and seemed to directly contradict other language in the restrictions. Rules from earlier water conservation stages called for pools to be outfitted with recirculating pumps and be leak-proof - common-sense rules that allow for the conservation of even more water than pools already have. However, an additional rule implemented in Stage 4 prohibited the use of the District's water for pools that were installed with newly-constructed buildings and discouraged the building of new pools altogether, a rule that provided no real water savings and unjustly punished the pool and spa industry.

In response to this, cities and water districts are once again revisiting their water conservation plans and how they will cope with a continuation of diminished supplies even after a year of stringent water restrictions. In some cases this means that cities will look for new and beneficial ways to address their water issues for a lasting impact, while in others the CPSA must once again respond to a misguided restriction on water use by pools and spas.

When the CPSA was informed of these regulations we moved into action, calling the water district to gain further clarification on their poorly defined rules and express our opposition to them. With a meeting of the district's Board of Directors approaching, the CPSA sent in a letter and

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Sea Turtle 2016 Texas Project

By Ingrid Slagle

Ingrid Slagle is the IPSSA Texas Newsletter editor and webmaster.

Members of IPSSA Texas and manufacturers from across the country converged, once again, on South Padre Island to volunteer time, expertise and products to improve the Sea Turtle rescue and rehabilitation operation. We are all very proud of the changes that have been made over the last four years, which allows the hospital to accept more "patients" and concentrate more time on their recovery. Their goal is to release as

many of the turtles back into the gulf as possible. The cadre of permanent residents are used to educate the public of the plight of sea turtles worldwide which is an indication of the conditions of the oceans which are vital to all life on earth.

All of us get a feeling of satisfaction out of our efforts of improving the situation by utilizing whatever expertise we have. The smiles on the faces of the many children that delight in watching the turtles swim around and learn of their importance to our world, makes it worthwhile. It

feels pretty good to receive the appreciation of the staff and volunteers too!

Our mission is also to inform the public of the existence of the IPSSA organization and it's "cut above" membership qualifications. Sea Turtle promotes our organization to the public by drawing attention to our contributions, displaying our logo and IPSSA Texas newsletter and linking to our website and facebook page.

Last year more than 110,000 people visited the hospital. Their facebook page has 90,000 followers.

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- National Water Safety Month
 - Algae control
- Specialty chemical maintenance
- Change hoses on liquid chlorine feeders
 - Truck maintenance
- Evaluation of fuel consumption needs

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Larry Kirkorian wins the March Education Corner quiz

Larry Kirkorian, a member of the Fresno chapter, was selected randomly among all of the correct entries for the March Education Corner Quiz and will receive an IPSSA shoulder bag & backpack. All correct entries submitted during 2016 are eligible for a big drawing at the end of the year for more IPSSA logo items.

The correct answers for the March quiz are 1. Getting liquid chlorine (sodium hypochlorite) in your eyes can cause permanent corneal damage in only 15 seconds. A. True B. False, *the correct answer is a) true.* 2. Once the chlorine generated from the salt is used, it reverts back to salt to be used over and over again. A. True B. False, *the correct answer is a) true.* 3. The primary purpose of disinfection is to kill pathogenic organisms such as bacteria, parasites, virus-

es and other organisms such as algae, mold, mildew and spores. A. True B. False, *the correct answer is a) true.* 4. One pound

added to 120,000 gallons of water equals 1 ppm. A. True B. False, *the correct answer is a) true.*

Calendar of Events 2016

- May 5-6** **CPO Class**
SCP, Riverside, California
<http://www.anotherperfectpoolnews.com/cpo>
- May 19-20** **CPO Class**
Superior Pool Products, El Cajon, California
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- May 26** **Certified Aquatic Equipment Installer Course**
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- June 9-10** **CPO Class**
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- July 7-8** **CPO Class**
SCP, San Juan Capistrano, California
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- July 21-22** **CPO Class**
Superior Pool Products, Vista, California
<http://www.anotherperfectpoolnews.com/cpo>
- Aug. 6** **IPSSA Board of Regional Directors Meeting**
Location TBD 10am
info@ipssa.com
- Sept. 29-Oct. 1** **Pool Industry Expo**
Monterey Convention Center, Monterey, CA
www.poolindustryexpo.com
- Oct. 19-21** **World Aquatic Health Conference**
Sheraton Music City, Nashville, TN
www.thewahc.org
- Oct. 29** **IPSSA Board of Regional Directors Meeting**
The D Hotel, Las Vegas, NV 10am
info@ipssa.com
- Oct. 30-Nov. 4** **Int'l Pool Spa Patio Expo**
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All members who mail an entry with the correct answers will become eligible for a drawing at the end of the month for IPSSA logo gear. All correct entries will go into a year-end drawing for other IPSSA merchandise. IPSSA members are the only eligible participants and only one entry per month is permitted. Each month, the winner of the drawing will be published in The IPSSAN. Entries for this month must be received by **JUNE 20, 2016.**

1. At a pH of 7.5, what percent of bromine is in the HOBr (killing form)?
A. 55 percent
B. 85 percent
C. 94 percent
D. 61 percent
2. 90 percent trichlor has about 55 percent cyanuric acid.
A. True
B. False
3. Water Testing involves: Testing, comparing and deciding.
A. True
B. False
4. The EPA requires chlorine manufacturers to list the ingredients as well as the available chlorine content and then guarantee the strength of their products right on the label.
A. True
B. False

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Correct Answers: 1. _____ 2. _____ 3. _____ 4. _____

(Please indicate A, B, C, or D for each answer.)

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Entries for this month must be received by JUNE 20, 2016.

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!

REGION 1 – Modesto Central Valley: Fotios Haralambous. . .
REGION 3 – San Fernando Valley: Joe Corral, Chester Snyder. . .
San Gabriel Valley: Samuel Goldberg, Anthony Linderman. . .
REGION 5 – Anaheim: Ron Amador. . . **REGION 7 – Rancho Del Mar:** Akoni Cueson. . . **REGION 9 – Corpus Christi:** Michael Baker II. . . **North Houston:** Juan Cisneros. . . **REGION 11 – Gold Coast:** Fred Siciliano. . . **Sarasota:** Rick Brain. . . **Treasure Coast:** Craig Herlan. . . **REGION 12 – Fort Worth:** Robert Noyes.

Financial office thanks chapters with prompt payments

The Financial Office thanks the following 32 chapters, whose members all paid promptly in March before second notices were required:

- Region 1 – Elk Grove, Modesto Central Valley
- Region 2 – Bakersfield, Central Coast, Fresno
- Region 3 – Diamond Bar, Santa Clarita
- Region 5 – Anaheim, Huntington Beach, Mission Viejo, OCPP, Orange County #9, Saddleback, Surf City, Tustin/Irvine
- Region 6 – Corona, Palm Desert, Redlands
- Region 8 – Henderson, VIPS, West Valley, Western Las Vegas
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APSP & NSPF boards agree to unify

The boards of the Association of Pool & Spa Professionals (APSP) and National Swimming Pool Foundation® (NSPF®) met and agreed in principle to merge the two organizations. Both boards believe that the merge will better support the present and future needs of the aquatics industry.

Rich Garbee, APSP chairman of the board, and G. Bruce Dunn, NSPF chairman of the board, jointly stated, "The aquatics industry has seen dramatic changes over the past 10 years. APSP and NSPF each have a distinguished history of service to our industry. We are excited to build a vision where we can achieve even more together."

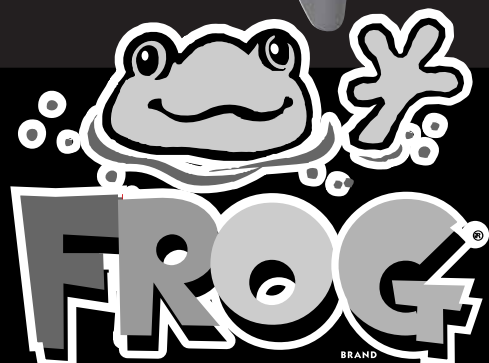
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The good news is that, when your Beneficiary Designation Form is on file at the IPSSA financial office, the check for your life insurance benefit is issued as soon as the death certificate is received by the insurance company.

Call the financial office (888-391-6012) if you are not sure whether or not your Beneficiary Designation Form has been filed. If not, or if you want to change your beneficiary, you can download the form from the "Members Only" page of www.ipssa.com.

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Tips and tricks for identifying and treating tough algae

By Marc Edwards

Marc Edwards is with SeaKlear Pool & Spa

As the weather warms up and the swim season starts, swimming pool water quality begins to suffer and algae often begins to grow. Some algae is easy to treat and remove but other types of algae can be very challenging to deal with. There are three main types of algae, Green algae, Black algae and Yellow/Mustard algae. Green algae is pretty easy to eradicate, but the mustard and black algae is difficult to kill and can make the job of a pool service professional

challenging.

Green Algae: Green algae is the type of algae that suspends itself in the water making pool water murky. In extreme cases, green algae can get so thick it can

even make it difficult to see the steps of the pool! The growth and spread of green algae is usual due to lack of sanitizer and or circulation in the swimming pool. It will

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Water Safety USA launches

Organizations come together to decrease national drowning

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Aligned messaging was sought by the organizations because the American public receives water safety advice from many diverse sources. Sometimes these messages inadvertently conflict. To the degree that messaging can be simplified and made more consistent, there is a greater chance that it will

be understood and followed. Water Safety USA also intends to work to help prioritize efforts toward the areas needing the greatest focus.

According to Water Safety USA moderator B. Chris Brewster, "We've all agreed we'll be even more effective working together. As our messaging aligns and we promote it in concert, public understanding should improve, and safer use of our waters will be the result."

Water Safety USA is a roundtable of equals. The founding members of Water Safety USA are the American Academy of Pediatrics, American Red Cross, Boy Scouts of America, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, National Park Service, National Safe Boating Council, National Swimming Pool Foundation, Safe Kids Worldwide, U.S. Coast Guard,

U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission, United States Life-saving Association, USA Swimming Foundation, and YMCA of the USA. Each has a strong record of providing drowning prevention and water safety programs, including public education.

In addition to better messaging, the members of Water Safety USA hope to help identify evidence-based strategies to promote water safety and to promote the collection and analysis of reliable, standardized data to assist in development and more effective targeting of prevention programs and strategies. The group believes that by working together, the combined strength will lead to increased impact and effectiveness of its members' prevention efforts.

Drowning is a leading cause of death and injury in the USA. Water accidents can be devastating, but with proper safety precautions, water is one of our healthiest recreational environments. Water Safety USA believes by working collaboratively it can meaningfully reduce the nearly 5,800 annual trips to emergency rooms and more than 3,800 deaths due to drowning. The good news is that drowning is almost always preventable.

Learn more about Water Safety USA and our initiatives at: www.watersafetyusa.org.

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Hey Ray!

Answers to recent questions asked to IPSSA's insurance broker

Ray Arouesty is President of Arrow Insurance Service and IPSSA's endorsed insurance provider. He can be reached at (800) 833-3433 or ray@arrowinsuranceservice.com

This month's question comes from a member in Gilbert, Arizona.

Question:

A customer is buying a newer existing home with a pool that has a diving board. She has asked us to have a look at the diving board and make sure it is "safe".

Now I know that the only way I can place our stamp of approval on it and call it "safe" is to take my wrench set back there and remove it, but outside of that what is your advice on this? I've been trying to avoid her but she's really pressing me to look it over and tell her if it is OK for her kids to use.

This family is wealthy. We handle three properties for them and each of them are greater than \$1M properties so I know they want to be safe in protecting their own assets but they also want to enjoy their newly purchased property with a diving board.

Answer:

As you know, the IPSSA group general liability policy excludes claims "arising out of, or resulting

from the installation of diving boards". Diving boards are high-risk due to (1) the potential for catastrophic head injury/paralysis injuries, and (2) the difficulty in determining whether the pool was constructed appropriately for diving. I've often said that "there are no small diving board-related claims". It's very tough for the pool technician to adequately determine the ratio of the transition slope, depth and placement of the bowl. Additionally, the variables of board length and stiffness all need to be considered when answering the question "is my diving board safe". A pool service technician will be liable for damages if he has misrepresented the condition of a pool and/or diving board.

Considering everything, my response to the customer would be "You've asked me a simple question that is very complicated to answer. As a pool service technician I make sure your water is properly balanced so your pool water is safe and enjoyable. The safety of a diving board is better addressed by a pool builder or engineer, rather than me. I am willing to remove your diving board if you think that makes sense."

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Sea Turtle Project

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Later this year, they are breaking ground on a major facility next door, which will become a world-class destination for education. This will allow for more interns, staff and volunteers.

This spring's volunteers included Tina Slagle, our fearless leader, Fort Worth chapter president, Keith Timm, our electrical guru, Austin chapter vice president, Jim Jacobsmeyer, Houston Clear Lake chapter president, and Gordon Slagle, Fort Worth chapter member, two of the original "old guys" and Paul Nelson Fort Worth chapter sergeant at arms, our plumbing and electrical expert.

Manufacturers present were Stan Crisp, AquaCal, North Carolina, Sean Assam, AutoPilot, Florida, Will Dubec, AquaCal and AutoPilot, Texas, Oklahoma and Arkansas, and Garrett Thibodeaux

with Stellar Sales Texas.

AutoPilot donated a salt chlorine generation system which will be evaluated using the 40,000ppm salt sea water.

Pentair aquatics systems zoological expert, Love Ruddell, joined us from Florida to oversee the installation of four ultraviolet systems and help with the design of the equipment to be used in the new facility. Donation of repair parts from Heidi Amos, Pentair and Chad Poynter, Hayward are gratefully acknowledged and appreciated.

Our next trip will be scheduled this summer or fall. If anyone would like to join us, you don't have to be an IPSSA member or even be in the pool business. There are always things to do for everyone. For more information contact Tina Slagle at 817-991-0555.

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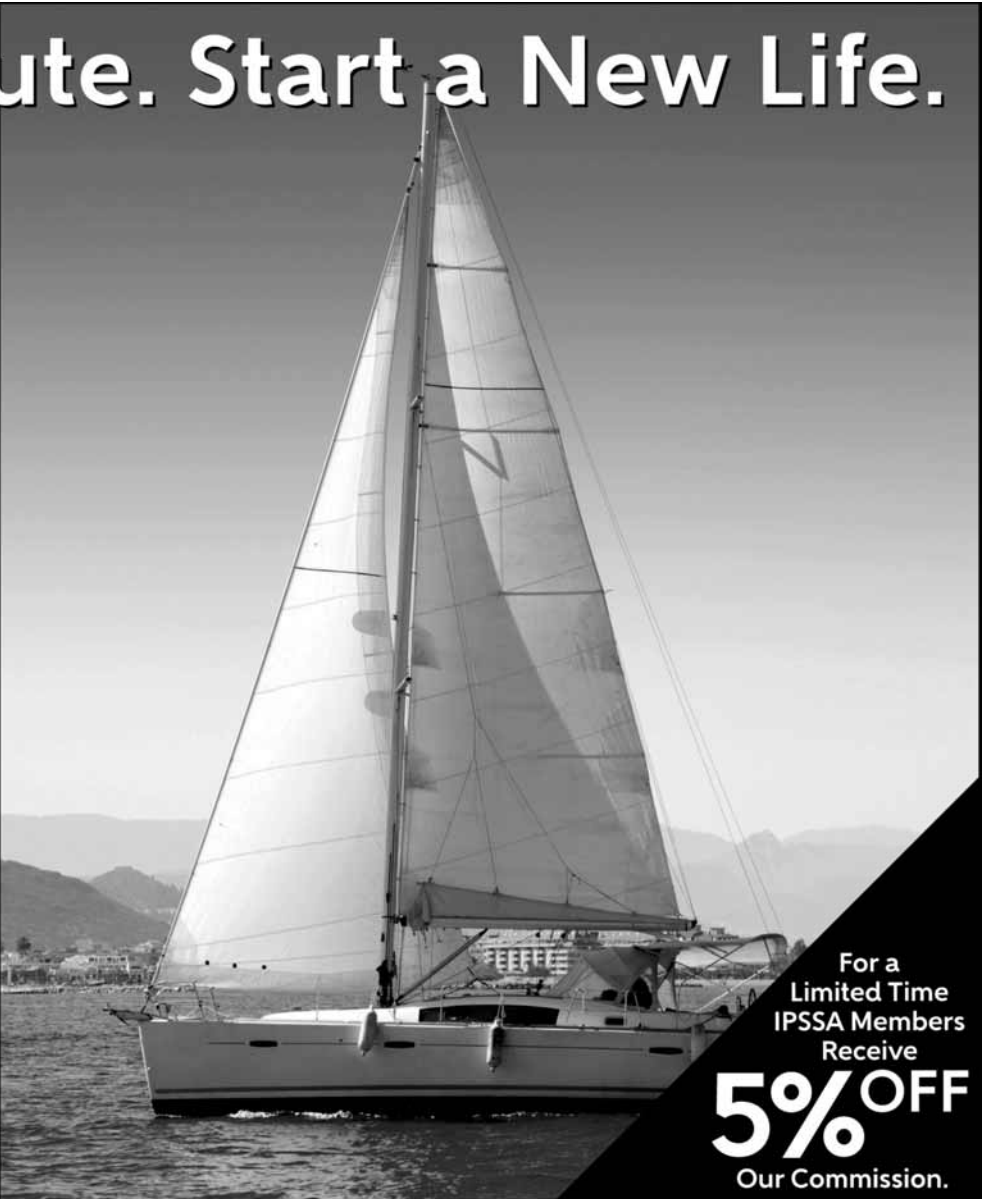
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Tips & Tricks: Tough Algae

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start as a slight cloudiness in the pool and as the algae continues to grow and thrive, the water quality gets worse and eventually deteriorates to where you can't see the bottom of the pool. This type of algae must be dealt with quickly to solve the water clarity issue. Cloudy pool water is very dangerous due to the increased risk of

drowning. Green algae spores are very common and this is usually the form that will be seen when chlorine levels are not maintained during especially warm and sunny times. Green algae can also be introduced as a result of cross contamination when someone brings toys or even swim suits that have been in a river or lake and then are

introduced in the pool. Pool Pros who use brushes and poles to clean up algae pools but neglect to clean the brushes before servicing the next pool could see an outbreak in the pools they service. However green algae is by far the easiest algae to prevent and kill. High doses of chlorine usually quickly kill the algae and the process can be accelerated by the addition of a good algaecide—to make your customer happier, faster. Once you have treated the pool to kill the algae, your pump and filter have the burden of clearing your water. You must continually run your filtration system in order to trap the dead algae and clear the water. You can also use a water clarifier to help expedite the clearing process. Maintaining the proper water balance with chemicals and sanitizers as well as properly maintaining the pool's equipment, it's fairly rare to grow green algae.

Black Algae: Black algae will generally appear as black dots on pool plaster, usually in the pitted area of the pool where the plaster has been etched or maybe where some calcium deposits have developed. These areas act as small fox-holes where the water doesn't circulate well, making it an easy area for Black Algae to grow and thrive. Black Algae is almost exclusively an issue in gunite pools and it is tough to treat this type of algae because it burrows into the plaster and forms a protective layer over itself making the standard chemical treatments ineffective. Black algae tends to be more

The factors of algae growth

- **Photosynthesis** – Sunlight-Algae is a plant and like plants it is able to take light and generate its own food source for growth
- **Phosphates, Carbon and Nitrates** – These are the prime nutrients algae needs for strong growth. The simple removal and lowering of one of those nutrients phosphate can go a long way in keeping algae from blooming.
- **Organic materials** – Leaves, barks, seeds and grass clippings all can bring algae into the pool
- **Rough surfaces** – Algae loves to have something to cling to on the surface. It is very difficult for algae to get a foothold on smooth surfaces.
- **High iron content** – Some studies have linked the presence iron in water to an increase in the intake of carbon which makes algae grow more rapidly
- **Lack of chemical maintenance** – Zero chlorine combined with a hot summer day can mean algae within as little as 24 hours.
- **Poor filtration or circulation** – Water that is moving and being cleaned of particulate debris is much less likely to produce algae. Poor filtration and little to no water movement are two of the biggest causes for algae growth even in chemically maintained pools.

prevalent in rural, dry regions where there is plenty of agriculture and farm animals. It can be introduced into the pool in the dust that blows about in these regions. However, black algae needs a place to grab onto and so it becomes a bigger problem in plaster pools where the surface has deteriorated and is rough. Cracks and rough areas around the light or ladder rails is a common place to see black algae begin to appear as well as around broken tile which are prime habitats for black algae.

It is important to start treating the black algae as soon as it appears because the bigger the head of the algae spot the deeper it is

buried into the plaster and the harder it will be kill. There are several ways to treat the black algae once it appears and all of the treatments include brushing the affected areas for an extended period of time in order to remove the protective coating the black algae uses as a defense against chemicals. The first step to treating black algae is to brush the affected areas with a stainless steel bristle brush in order to remove the protective layer so the algae treatment will be effective. You then must continually brush the affected areas daily until you rid your pool of the algae. If it is a

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severe case, you may only be able to control the spread of the algae, but not totally get rid of it.

After the black algae has been brushed, the next step is the chemical treatment to eradicate the algae. One of the most effective treatments involves using granular trichlor on the horizontal surfaces and a copper based broad-spectrum algaecide for the vertical surfaces and throughout the overall pool water. The process involves treating with the trichlor first and once the chlorine level recovers and the water is balanced, apply the copper based algaecide. The use a broad spectrum chelated copper algaecide can also be used as a preventive. Some of these copper algaecides are triple chelated and will protect for months at a time, giving the service professional the ability to effectively brush and remove the black algae, layer by layer. It is always a good idea to have the water tested for metals prior to the addition of any metallic algaecide to be sure there aren't any non-chelated metals from the pool equipment or source water. If you have metals in your pool water prior to the addition of a metallic algaecide you could over saturate the water and cause problems such as staining and or water discoloration.

In the case of black algae it is extremely important to always vacuum or brush and backwash/clean any remnants of the black algae heads that have brushed off in order to remove them from the system. Brushing is key to con-

trolling black algae because of the black algae's ability to form a protective layer over itself making it very resistant to chemistry. Any remnants of the Black algae that remain in the pool can re-grow into new problem areas. In order keep the black algae under control, it's important to maintain a higher ppm of chlorine and keep the phosphates below 200 ppb along with the addition of a broad spectrum copper based algaecide. Brush, brush, and brush the pool and wash those brushes before putting them into a new pool!

Yellow/Mustard Algae: Mustard algae the most difficult algae for a number of reasons. The biggest problem with Yellow/Mustard algae, is that it is often misdiagnosed. Yellow/Mustard algae is often mistaken as green algae or sometimes as pollen or sometimes it just makes the pool look 'dirty.' If you think about it, yellow algae in a blue pool will make the water

look green (yellow + blue = green). So it's important to ask the right questions and be careful about the observations you make when diagnosing the algae. Asking the correct questions is key to proper diagnosis. Since yellow/mustard algae is often misdiagnosed as green algae so it is important to eliminate this possibility. The question to ask: Is the pool water cloudy? If the answer is NO, then it's probably NOT green algae because green algae makes the pool water look cloudy and murky. To determine if what is being observed is pollen or dirt or yellow/mustard algae, the question becomes: After the walls have been brushed, does the "dirt" come right back? If the answer is YES, then it's not dirt/ pollen—as dirt/ pollen would simply drop to the bottom of the pool and would not cling to the walls. So if the pool water isn't cloudy and the 'dirt' is clinging to the walls after

brushing, the problem is likely to be yellow/mustard algae.

Yellow/Mustard algae is very resistant to even high chlorine levels and will grow and thrive in a chemically well-balanced pool. Let's face it, we all associate algae growth with something we have done wrong like not running the

pump, running out of chlorine, clogged baskets, etc...but in the case of yellow/mustard algae, the maintenance of the pool could be "by the book" and yellow/mustard algae will still grow. Yellow/ mustard algae is often introduced to swimming pools from lakes, ponds,

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Tarrant County Clay Shoot Challenge 2016

By Will Ainsworth
Will Ainsworth is the President of the Tarrant County chapter.
 There were 14 Teams that answered the "Challenge" from the IPSSA Tarrant County Clay Shoot Challenge 2016.
 The weather was beautiful that

Saturday morning as the teams and volunteers gathered together to enjoy a day of clay shooting and industry camaraderie. APEC provided a continental breakfast for the shooters and volunteers and there was an air of excitement as to the day's activities and what would unfold. It was apparent that a few shooters were trying to be the top individual, but I think there were more people believing they were going to come in last place!



Everyone was smiling and happy and genuinely had a great time all day! There was plenty of talking and cajoling amongst the teams as they made their way around the Red 10 Stand Sporting Clays Course. Many positive comments were received and we look to it being even a bigger and better turnout next year! Many thanks to our sponsors and teams that participated, we couldn't have done this without your support! Thanks also to our volunteers and those working behind the scenes to help make this a huge success!



The shoot started at around 9am and concluded about 2 1/2 hours later. As the BBQ lunch was being setup and the line formed, the scores were being tabulated and after lunch the awards and trophies were handed out. There were 5 Award Categories that included, Top Individual, Top Team, 2nd Place Individual & Team, 3rd Place Individual & Team, Last Place Individual & Team, as well as 5 door prizes and of course the Shotgun Raffle benefitting APEC.

So here are the winners of the day!

- Last Place Shooter: Rick Beaubouef
- Last Place Team: IPSSAN Austin Chapter
- 3rd Place Individual: Denny Long
- Tied for 3rd Place Team was:
- 3rd Place B: Blue Water Commercial - Gerardo Perez, Juan Vargas, Talon Tucker, Rene Vargas
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Cajun Crawfish Boil

By Ingrid Slagle

Ingrid Slagle is the IPSSA Texas Newsletter editor and webmaster.
 The first annual "Poolman's Crawfish Boil" was held April 8th at the No Label Brewing Company in Katy, TX.
 This was a combined effort of IPSSA Houston chapters and APSP. With an attendance of around 800, everyone agreed it was a success that should be repeated next year.
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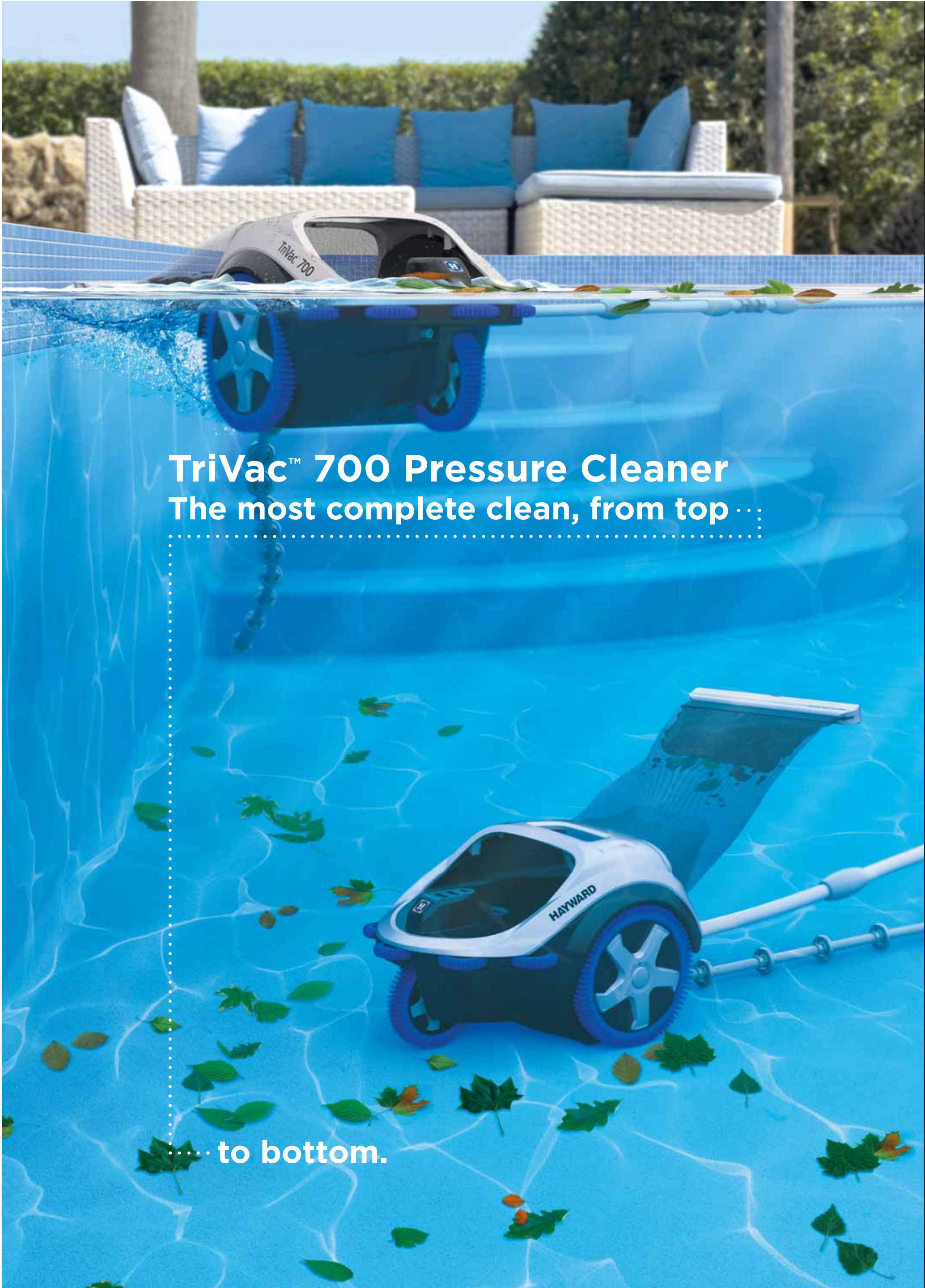


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materials explaining the facts on water use by pools and spas, and urging the board to modify the guidelines to keep in the rules regarding recirculating pumps and remove the restrictions on new construction. These efforts were successful, and the Fair Oaks Water District's Stage 4 rules – and all of their following stages – no longer include a ban on building new pools.

There are other changes coming for pools in the near future, with the City of Los Angeles voting this month to adapt their drought phases to better reflect the necessities of pool ownership in a drought. Recently, the City Council met to discuss changes to their drought phases on a wide range of topics. Included in these changes are adaptations to the requirements for pool owners, including recommending the use of pool covers during Phase 3, and mandating their use during Phase 4. This change will affect thousands of pool owners throughout Los Angeles, and has the potential to save a great deal of water if implemented correctly.

All pool service professionals in the Los Angeles area are advised to read the text of the changes and familiarize themselves with the drought stages for the city. A great many pool owners do not have pool covers or do not use them properly, and in the instance of a Phase 4 water restriction they could face fines for not doing so. While this change to the city's water policy is good for the industry as it shows a greater understanding of the realities of how pools and spas use water, it also required buy-in from the industry and from pool owners in order to make it effective to its fullest potential.

Even though the drought has lessened somewhat, the California Pool and Spa Association is still working hard to protect the industry from any new regulations that might negatively impact business during this busy and important time of the year. We have made great strides in the last two years and are moving into the future with new affiliations and programs, but our core goal is still to shield the pool and spa industry and serve our members. Please don't hesitate to contact the CPSA if you have any questions regarding these new regulations or if you hear about any proposals that might damage your business.



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wind, rain and even skimmers/leaf rakes, vacuum hoses & heads from other people's pools with mustard algae. Yellow/Mustard algae tends to be more prevalent near the warmer waters of the southern United States, but still does show up on occasion shows up in the NE and Midwest.

Yellow/Mustard algae tends to brush off easily from the surface,

but will show back up in the same place a few days later. This often happens in the shady part of the pool. To treat this type of algae it's important to choose an algaecide or chlorine enhancer that specifically targets the yellow/ mustard algae. Sodium Bromide has proven to be an way to kill yellow/ mustard with excellent, fast results, but it is only good for the

one time kill. It won't keep you from getting yellow/mustard algae the next time it rains. The best recipe to prevent yellow/mustard algae from coming back is to control the phosphate levels in the pool and keep them under 200ppb and using a chelated, broad-spectrum, copper based algaecide for long term protection.

Regular maintenance does

help prevent algae growth so it's important to stress that the pools should always be maintained both chemically and physically by brushing, vacuuming, cleaning skimmer/pump baskets etc. to make algae less likely to bloom. Keep chemical levels in balance and always be sure pump and filters are all running at least 8-10 hours a day in the summer. Algae treatments are only effective if the swimming pool and spa water are balanced and are being filtered and circulated properly. Always be

sure that the pool and spa filters are cleaned just prior to fighting an algae problem. Also, older pools with rough plaster should be dealt with by resurfacing or at the least sanding and smoothing rough areas. And always test the phosphate levels in the pool prior to treatment as well. Rather than waiting until later in the summer to test for phosphate levels, after several algae blooms, it's best to test early in the season and be sure the phosphate level never exceeds 200ppb.



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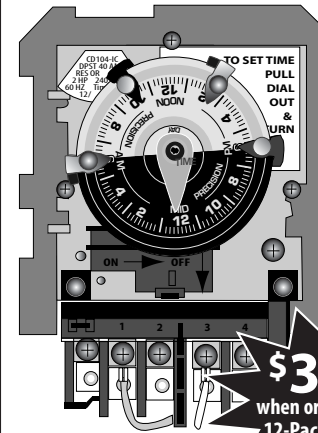
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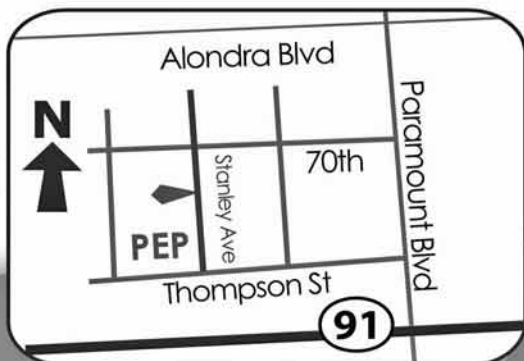
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Tarrant County Clay Shoot Challenge

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2nd Place Individual: Thomas Flake w/ Hayward

2nd Place Team: Kurtis Campbell, Eric Smiddy, Bryan Wood, Kris Neal

1st Place Individual: Zeth Smith

1st Place Team: FW Custom Pools - Glen Bullard, Mimi Wilfong, Denny Long, Cheryl Long
Winner of the Mossberg Silver

Reserve II 12g Shotgun Raffle was..... Kevin Dibble!

There were over 231 tickets sold for the Shotgun Raffle and we would like to thank everyone who bought tickets. Out of this raffle we were able to donate over \$1600.00 to APEC! Our chapter donated an additional \$500.00 from the Clay Shoot proceeds meaning APEC will receive over \$2100 total!

Here is the list of Teams and placement...

- 1st: Fort Worth Custom Pools
- 2nd: Team Jandy Flo Pros
- 3rd A: Team Pool Boy
- 3rd B: Blue Water Commercial
- 4th: Team Perfection
- 5th: Southern Pools
- 6th: Team SCP #1
- 7th: Team Hayward Residential
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- 11th: Team Fugawies
- 12th: Team Hayward Commercial
- 13th: IPSSA N. Austin

Again, the Tarrant County chapter would like to extend many thanks to our sponsors which included:

IPSSA Region 12, APEC, Hasa, Pirahna Power Pole, SCP, Hayward, Pentair and Zodiac.

We look forward to next year's event which is already being planned!

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Pentair offers incentive program for IPSSA

By Steve Zorn

Steve Zorn is California regional sales manager for Pentair.

All of us at Pentair Aquatic Systems appreciate the support of the IPSSA membership. We are pleased to offer IPSSA a rebate incentive based on the individual product purchases of each member.

Pentair will reimburse IPSSA one dollar (\$1.00) for each whole

good that a member purchases throughout the year. The listing of qualifying whole goods are the same that are listed in Pentair's PIP program, but basically pumps, filters, heaters, heat pumps, cleaners, automation systems, IntelliChlor and colored lights.

In order for IPSSA to receive payment each member must register individually on the Pentair-

IPSSA Incentive Program Registration Form (available on the members-only page of www.ipssa.com). This will allow Pentair to monitor and collect electronically from participating distributors purchase details, or direct from the member purchases for the rebate accumulation.

If a member does not register, their purchases will not qualify and

cannot be added later.

The Pentair Incentive Program dates reflect purchases made from October 1 thru September 30, 2016.

This program does not affect any member purchases that may also currently be individually enrolled in our PIP program.

If dealers have any questions regarding the program, please have

them dial 800-693-0171 and speak with their Program Coordinator.

Dick Nichols, IPSSA's past Region 10 director, commented, "This partnership is a perfect match between the largest swimming pool service organization and the largest manufacturer of pool products. The funds generated will be used for IPSSA's continuing education and research programs."

Membership qualifications

To qualify for membership, you must meet the following standards:

Be self-employed or employed in the pool and spa service and repair business and derive more than 50% of your income from it.

Attend as a prospective member three out of four meetings of the chapter you seek to join (the one in the closest proximity to your route). Go to ipssa.com to find the chapter nearest you.

Agree to and participate in sick route coverage pursuant to your chapter's Standing Rules.

Maintain liability insurance. IPSSA members may obtain group liability insurance through an IPSSA-affiliated company. Go to ipssa.com/join for more information on insurance.

Pass IPSSA's Water Chemistry Certification Examination. Check the information at ipssa.com for more details on the exam.

Meet any additional requirements as may be required by IPSSA Inc. or your chapter.

All IPSSA members are encouraged to maintain current business and professional licenses

required in their geographic locations.

No chapter in your area? In states where we already have chapters established, it only takes ten people to start a new chapter. Please contact the regional director for information and assistance.

How do I apply for membership?

Contact the chapter nearest your route for specific information on its requirements. This may include a written test or oral interview. Membership applications are only available through the chapter.

Expansion into other states is a goal for IPSSA, and the process involves many steps, many volunteers to get it started and much time. If you can help IPSSA in this process, contact our executive office. In general, 200 members are needed to establish IPSSA in a new state.

What is the cost of joining IPSSA?

Initiation fee (set by each chapter) and monthly fees, which include chapter dues, insurance premiums and other fees.

The IPSSAN subscriptions available to employee members

Would you like your employees to read The IPSSAN each month? All you need to do is contact the IPSSA Financial Office (888-391-6012 or sue@cramercpa.com) and make the request.



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"Horizon will be expanding its business by adding the Optimus brand, which includes a central US shipping warehouse, excellent personnel, valued customers, great new vendors, and exclusive products," said Ralph Raub, President

of Horizon Spa & Pool Parts. "We look forward to a win-win for both parties."

"Optimus is excited to team up with a proven value-added company like Horizon. We will be increasing both the breadth of our available products and the depth of our inventory," said Eric Goode, Director of Sales and Product Development.

Horizon Spa & Pool Parts, Inc. is a Tucson owned and operated pool and spa parts distributor supplying the repair parts and equip-

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Matching funds available from IPSSA Inc.

IPSSA Inc. has a matching grant fund of \$24,000 to assist individual regions and chapters for community involvement, safety programs, and promoting IPSSA to the public. The spirit of the matching grant is to foster IPSSA promotions by facilitating new ideas from individual members, chapters and regions.

The matching grant funds shall be allocated evenly by region in each given year. In the event that

a region does not request funds in a given year, that region's representative may elect to reallocate their portion to the matching grant fund for redistribution. Any redistribution of funds must be approved by the BORD.

The BORD will match, dollar for dollar, up to the budget amount once a matching grant is approved by the regional Board.

Each region shall determine how to use its allotment of funds without BORD approval once it has been approved by the regional Board.

Individual members, chapters and regions of IPSSA in good standing qualify for matching grants.

- Matching grant requests must be submitted in writing to the regional director by December 1st each year.

- The regional director shall qualify the request to meet the spirit of the matching grant program.

- The region must approve the grant by either a regional Board meeting, regional Board teleconference, or e-mail ballot, and the results will be posted in the regional minutes.

- The regional director shall then request the funds from the IPSSA BORD president or chief financial officer without BORD approval, as long as the requested amount does not exceed the region's budgeted amount.

The IPSSA Scholarship Fund

Advancing professional training and education in the swimming pool and spa industry

The Independent Pool and Spa Service Association (IPSSA), established in 1988, was formed to promote educational opportunities and provide business resources to its membership. Scholarships through the IPSSA fund are available to all self-employed swimming pool/spa service technicians in Arizona, California, Florida, Georgia, Nevada and Texas.

Scholarships will be available in all swimming pool/spa service related areas, including business-related courses at local community colleges. Scholarships are not available for pool building education.

Applications are accepted throughout the year. The Scholarship Committee meets once each year in January. Applications must be received in the IPSSA executive office by December 1st to be considered for a scholarship at that time.

Applications are available by contacting the IPSSA executive office at 888-360-9505.

Scholarships are available for, but not limited to, the following areas:

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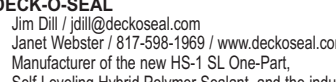
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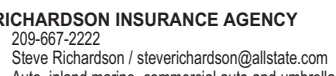
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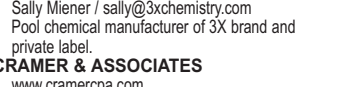
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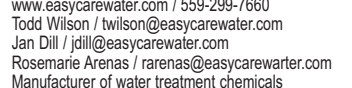
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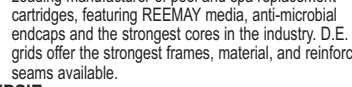
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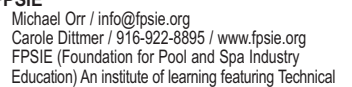
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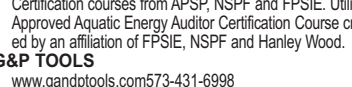
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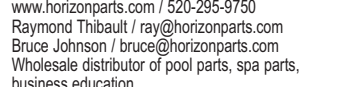
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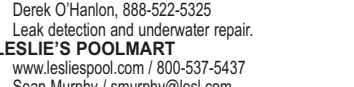
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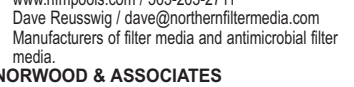
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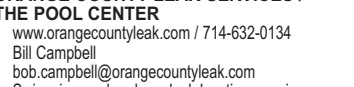
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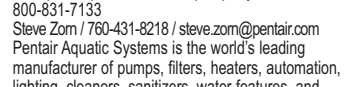
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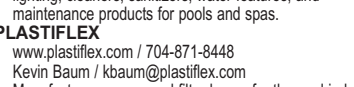
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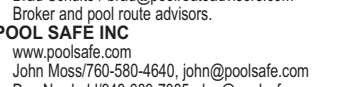
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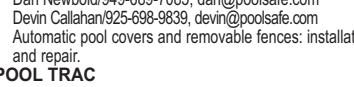
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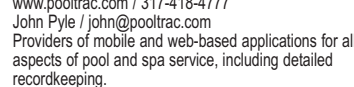
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