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Know your electrical code

By Dave Durkin

Dave Durkin is the director of Region 1.

Recently in Southern California two young girls were shocked by a pool light in a residential pool. According to 680 of the NEC all pool lights must be potted around the bulb, grounded, and the light niche and fixture must be bonded with the rebar of the pool. The bonding must include all electric motors and any metal larger than 2 inches in the pool or spa. Listed below are some different types of proper installation:

- Never work on a light that is not properly grounded or a light that is not properly bonded.
- Pools built before 1965 had pool light junction boxes in the deck. If you are not a qualified C10 or C53, I recommend that you do not work on these pools. At that time, no grounding was required and rigid steel pipe was the ground. Unfortunately, these steel conduits are long gone as they have disintegrated in the ground.
- Deck J boxes should be removed and replaced by new UL approved deck boxes. I suggest that you do not repair residential pool lights as most are very old and in need of replacement.
- Check the cord to see if it is swollen or gray. If this is the case, replace the fixture on lights with 1" PVC, check the potting in the light niche, and if necessary replace it as well.
- On commercial pools where lighting is needed for safety, it is okay to repair if the cord is in good condition. You should also replace the gasket on the lens. If any light fixture has water inside, replace the fixture. Remember to be sure to test the ground fault circuit breaker. If it doesn't test properly make sure you replace it.

A good test for bonding is to unhook the pool cord ground wire in the j box and put a meter lead on the cord green wire and the other lead on the incoming ground wire. You should have less than 1 Ohm of resistance. If you have more than that you should call in a contractor who can make sure the bonding is intact.

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Grant Ross IPSSA Tucson chapter president presents a check for \$1,250 to Kerri Dufor with the YMCA of Southern Arizona along with board members Steven Nelson (left) and John Greenough. See story, page 13.

New method of pool chemical treatment

By Robert W. Lowry

Here is a method of chemically treating pool water that uses the information presented in two articles that appeared in the July and August editions of the IPSSAN. The articles were "Cyanuric Acid: It Controls Your Pool" and "Using Air and Acid to Get Perfect pH and Alkalinity Quickly." This method makes taking care of pool water easy and best of all, water balance is stable. It is written for residential pools but could be adapted to commercial or public pools but commercial and public pools must comply with all state and local health codes. Some of the suggestions for water treatment given here are not within health code guidelines for commercial or public pools.

It is called Honest Pool Care because it only considers the scientific facts presented in the two articles and does not contain any sales hype or biased information from chemical and sanitizer manufacturers. It is a complete method of chemically treating pool water.

Honest Pool Care 1-2-3

This method assumes you are familiar with pool chemicals, maintenance and water chemistry. It differs from your current method, but it is effective and easy to use. It works best with liquid chlorine.

- 1 Test & Balance
- 2 Disinfection & Oxidation
- 3 Filtration & Circulation

Overview The main things to understand about Honest Pool Care 1-2-3 are:

- pH should be between 7.5
- TA (total alkalinity) should be between 60 and 90 ppm. • TA and CYA (cyanuric acid)
- prevent pH decreases. • Borates prevent pH increas-
- TA and pH are decreased
- with acid; aeration increases pH. · CYA (cyanuric acid or

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Things to do in September

➤ Wear sun screen and reapply often

➤ Wear hats

➤ Drink lots of water

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Larry Kirkorian wins the July Education Corner quiz

Larry Kirkorian, a member of the Fresno IPSSA chapter, was selected randomly among all of the correct entries for the July Education Corner Quiz and will receive an IPSSA sports watch. All correct entries submitted during 2012 are eligible for a big drawing at the end of the year for more IPSSA logo items.

The correct answers for the July quiz are: 1) The chemical that protects chlorine from sunlight destruction is called: A. Cyanuric acid B. Conditioner C. Stabilizer D. All of the above. The correct answer is D. All of the above. 2) The regular sanitizer you are using determines the proper total alkalinity for the pool. A. True B. False. *The correct answer is A. True.* 3) Adding 10 fl. oz. of sodium hypochlorite to 10,000 gallons of water will increase the chlorine level by 1.5 ppm. A. True B. False. *The correct answer is B. False.* 4) Getting liquid chlorine (sodium

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hypochlorite) in your eyes can only 15 seconds. A. True B. False. cause permanent corneal damage in The correct answer is A. True.

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Sept. 13-14	CPO Class El Monte Aquatic Center, El Monte, California http://www.anotherperfectpoolnews.com/cpo
Sept. 27-29	Pool Industry Expo Monterey, California
Oct. 4-5	CPO Class Superior Pool Products, California http://www.anotherperfectpoolnews.com/cpo
Oct. 4-5	CPO Class SCP, San Antonio, Texas Mark Posson, 210-725-5889
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Oct. 25-26	CPO Class SCP, San Diego, CA http://www.anotherperfectpoolnews.com/cpo
Nov. 6-8	International Pool Spa Patio Expo Morial Convention Center, New Orleans, Louisiana http://www.poolspapatio.com
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Jim McTheeney wins a Basic Training Manual Part 1 – Water Chemistry!

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The correct answer for the July sweepstakes question is: How many chapter meetings must a prospective member attend in order to join IPSSA? Answer: Three

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- 1. 90 percent trichlor has about 55 percent cyanuric acid.
 - A. True
 - B. False
- Water Testing involves: Testing, comparing and deciding.
 - A. True
 - B. False
- 3. What is the volume of a rectangular pool that is 20 feet by 40 feet with an average depth of 5 feet?
 - 4,000 sq. ft. Α.
 - B. 4,000 cu. ft.
 - C. 20,000 gallons
 - 800 sq. ft. D.
- 4. The acceptable Saturation Index range is:
 - Α. -1.0 to +1.0
 - B. -0.3 to +0.3
 - C. 20 ppm
 - All of the above

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Ben Solakian, pioneer and innovator passes away at 80

CEO of Val-Pak Products, passed away suddenly on July 14, he was 80. Solakian was a pioneer and innovator in the pool and spa industry starting in 1958. After founding Summerset Pool Service, Solakian sold the business in 1964 and started Valley Boiler Service in Van Nuys, Calif., a

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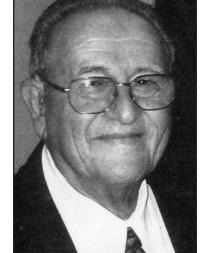
After a few years he realized the need for replacement parts for obsolete pool equipment. Solakian started making parts for pumps that had been discontinued by the

Then in 1979 he opened Val-Pak Products. The company grew rapidly as new parts were introduced, each one carefully designed to meet and often exceed OEM specs. Val-Pak now produces more than 500 parts.

Solakian was a member of IPSA which proceeded Cal-Ipsa and the merger which created

IPSSA. He was also a founding member and past-president of the Western Pool & Spa Show which is dedicated to the training and continued education for the pool service tech.

Solakian is survived by his wife of 53 years, Virginia, his son and business partner Mike, daughter Linda, and 3 grandchildren.



Ben Solaklian

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The Financial Office thanks the following 25 chapters, whose members all paid promptly in August before second notices were

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Ask Sue

By Sue Robach

Sue Robach is national training manager for Pentair Aquatic Systems. If you have questions for Sue, send them to info@ipssa.com.

A serviceman in Houston, Texas, wrote to me recently about a customer with an in-ground 18,000-square-foot rectangle shaped concrete pool with no spa... "She has two small children and wants to install a new 400,000-BTU MasterTemp to heat their pool," he wrote. "This way they can use their pool longer throughout the season, and get more enjoyment from it. Her husband is worried about the costs to run the heater, so she asked me to give her a ballpark idea about how much she can expect it to cost."

To answer this question correctly, it's important to know and understand a few simple things:

- 1) A 400,000 BTU heater will use 4 therms or 40 cubic feet of natural gas per hour.
- 2) One gallon of water weighs 8.33 pounds.
- 3) 1 BTU will raise 1 pound of water 1 degree F.

Using this information, you can estimate how long it will take to heat water in a particular pool with a particular heater.

Start with the number of gallons (18,000) and multiply by 8.33 to determine how many pounds of water in the pool.

18,000 X 8.33 = 149,940 pounds of water.

Then, for the sake of this example, let's assume the water is starting at 65 degrees and you want it to be 80. That is a 15-

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Don't neglect this small but important detail which could prevent headaches for those you love. degree rise. Multiply how much water you have (in pounds) by the number of degrees you want to add to it (15) to determine how many BTUs you need.

149,940 x 15 = 2,249,100BTUs needed in this example.

A 400,000-BTU MasterTemp heater has an output BTU of 336,000 (because its efficiency is rated at 84 percent), so next divide the number of BTUs needed by the number of BTUs the heater can generate, and you get the number of hours it will take for that heater to increase that pool's temperature by 15 degrees:

 $2,249,100 \div 336,000 = 6.7$

Now you know that it will probably take almost 7 hours for a 400,000-BTU heater rated at 84% efficiency to increase the water temperature of an 18,000-gallon



pool from 65 to 80 degrees.

To figure out what that will cost in dollars, you need to know how units of fuel are priced in your area. Typically, gas is priced by the therm or by the cubic foot.

If gas is priced by the therm, then you'll need to know that 1 therm = 100,000 BTU's, and a 400,000-BTU heater uses 4 therms per hour.

If your customer's utility company charges by the cubic foot, then you need to know that 1 cubic

foot = 1000 BTUs, and a 400,000-BTU heater uses 40 cubic feet of natural gas per hour.

Use the calculation of how long the heater will run (6.7 hours) and multiply that by 4 to determine the number of therms (6.7 x 4 = 26.8 therms) or multiply by 40 if you're dealing with cubic feet (6.7 X 40 = 268 cubic feet).

Last but not least, look at a recent utility bill to figure out what the homeowner pays for gas and multiply that number by the number of therms or cubic feet required to heat the pool. That will give you the cost to increase the water temperature by 15 degrees.

As scientific as this seems, it is still only an estimate because it does not take into account air temperature, wind, rain, or other factors that affect heat loss. There are many factors in the cost of heating pool water. On a cold windy day when the pool is uncovered, the heater is fighting against some pretty strong environmental fac-

tors. (We always recommend covering pools when not in use to retain heat and water). If the air is warm and still, and the pool is covered, then the heat loss factor will be far less dramatic, meaning the heater will not have to work as hard.

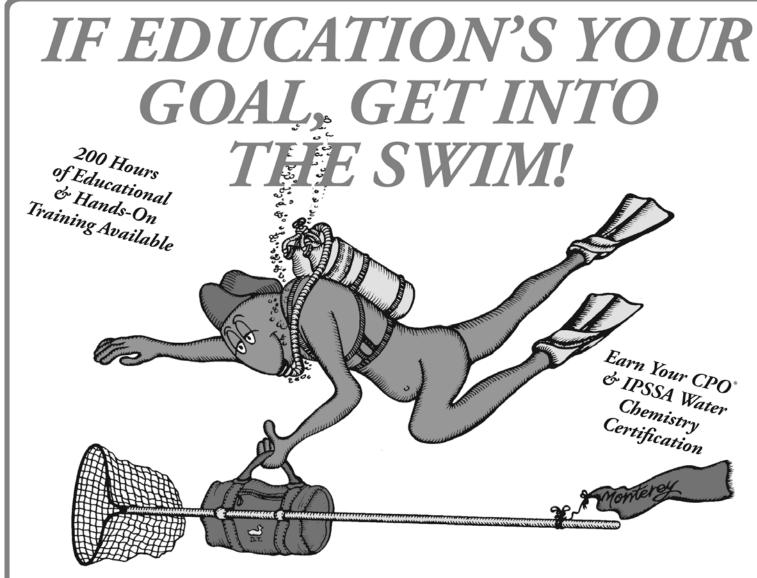
It may seem complicated if you've never done this before, but being able to estimate heating costs and explain how environmental factors affect those costs are great skills to have.

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New method of pool chemical treatment

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stabilizer) should be less than 50 ppm.

- FC (Free Chlorine) must be, at minimum, 7.5% of the CYA concentration.
- Liquid chlorine does not significantly change the pH of your pool water.

Water Testing

Water balance and oxidation are the two most important considerations. To maintain water balance and have safe water, you must test. Visual test strips are useful for obtaining rough estimates of chemical levels, but quality testing with a good test kit especially for higher levels of free chlorine and low levels of combined chlorine – is required. Liquid or tablet reagent test kits are better. Electronic, especially digital meters are more accurate. The best type of chlorine test is called an FAS-DPD test. It is a titration or "drop count" test where reagent drops are counted to make a color change. Pool stores also offer free water testing. Be advised that not all pool stores have equipment for testing borate. You may also order borate test strips online.

Balance Guidelines

ity), CH (calcium hardness), CYA (cyanuric acid), TDS (total dissolved solids), borate and salt (if using a SWG - salt water chlorine generator)

Mini-STEP 1a – Adjust CYA to 30-50 ppm

If the pool is new, add CYA - 13.3 oz per 10,000 gallons per 10 ppm to bring the level up to 30-50 ppm.

If the CYA level is 30-50 ppm, go to Mini-STEP 1b.

If the pool is established and the CYA level is more than 50 ppm, drain some water and refill. The amount to drain will depend on the current CYA level. For example, if the CYA level is 100 ppm, then 50% of the water should be drained and replaced.

Mini-STEP 1b – Adjust CH to 200-400 ppm

If the CH is between 200 and 400 ppm go to Mini-Step 1c.

If CH is below 200 ppm, add enough hardness increaser to raise the level to a minimum of 200 ppm. Add 13.3 oz of hard-

Parameter	Range	Comments
pН	7.5 – 7.8	Very Important
TA (Total Alkalinity)	60 -90 ppm	Most Pools – 70-90 ppm Pools with SWG (salt water chlorine generator) or pools with Water Features 60-80 ppm Pools using dichlor or trichlor – 100-120 ppm
CH (Calcium Hardness)	200 – 400 ppm	200 – 400 ppm for Plaster, Pebble or Tile pools 250 – 300 ppm for Fiberglass, Vinyl, Painted pools
CYA (Cyanuric Acid)	30 – 50 ppm 60 – 80 ppm SWG	Higher levels require a higher FC level Drain and replace water if CYA is >50 ppm Minimum 60 ppm for pools with SWG
Borate	30 – 50 ppm	Use borax, sodium tetraborate pentahydrate or boric acid
Salt – only for SWG pools	3,000 – 3,200 ppm	Follow SWG manufacturer's recommendation for salt
TDS (Total Dissolved Solids)	300 to1,800 ppm Max is 1,500 ppm over starting TDS	This means about 2,000 ppm max for most pools For SWG pools the max is 1,500 ppm more than salt level recommended by SWG manufacturer.

STEP 1 – Test & Balance
Test the water for pH, TA (total alkalin-

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ness increaser per 10,000 gallons per 10 ppm increase.

Mini-STEP 1c – Adjust pH and TA

If the pH is 7.5 and the TA is 80-90 go to Mini-STEP 1d.

Adjust pH to 7.5, TA to 80-90 ppm (for most pools).

If pH is 7.5 and TA is below 70 ppm, here is how to increase only TA: Use Baking Soda

If TA is too low, add baking soda (sodium bicarbonate), not soda ash (sodium carbonate), to raise it. A solution of baking soda, regardless of concentration, has a pH of 8.3. This means that you can increase TA without increasing pH much. Adding 22.4 oz of baking soda per 10,000 gallons will raise TA by 10 ppm. If both the pH and TA are low then adding soda ash will raise them. A solution of soda ash, regardless of concentration, has a pH of 11.7. It will increase pH and TA.

If pH and TA are both too high, here is how to lower TA and raise pH

Use Acid to lower TA and pH. Then use Aeration (not soda ash) to raise only pH.

Lower pH and TA with muriatic acid and then increase pH with aeration. Aeration is accomplished by turning on fountains, waterfalls, water features and aiming return fittings so return water breaks the surface – anything that makes turbulence or splashes. The time required depends upon the TA – plan on 6 to 12 hours to decrease TA by 60 ppm. For example, if TA is 240 ppm, expect this to take perhaps as much as two days. Once in the right range the pH and TA will stabilize.

Test the pH and TA. If pH is 7.8 and TA is 160 ppm, add 3 quarts of muriatic acid per 10,000 gallons of pool water. This will decrease TA by about 40 ppm and make the pH about 6.8. Now aerate until pH is 7.6. This will require a minimum of 4 hours, depending on pool volume and aeration

rate. More aeration is better. When the pH is 7.6, measure TA again; it should be about 120 ppm. Again add 3 quarts of muriatic acid. This should bring TA down to about 80 ppm and pH down to about 6.8. Aerate once again until a pH is 7.6 is reached. That's it: You're done. This procedure for pools was introduced by Ben Powell although degassing of water to raise pH has been known for decades.

Each time acid is added, the pH and TA are reduced. Aeration raises the pH without raising the TA. When TA is tuned precisely, the pH will rise to a level of about 7.6. If the pH exceeds 7.8 from aeration, lower TA a little more. If aerating for say 8 hours does not increase pH sufficiently, the TA is too low and more baking soda should be added. After monitoring it a few times, you will be able to obtain that ideal TA. Occasionally, a little acid may be needed, but basically the water can be considered to be well balanced.

Do not let TA fall below 50 ppm; even a small amount of acid will drop the pH sharply. If the TA is excessive, say above 200 ppm, more acid will be needed in the beginning to get the pH down. Remember, TA is a pH buffer, that is, a pH stabilizer, and the amount of acid needed to lower the pH is proportional to the amount of TA. It takes 25.6 fl oz of muriatic acid to reduce TA by 10 ppm in 10,000 gallons of water. Don't add too much acid all at once in order to bring the pH below 7.0. We aerate between doses of acid to prevent large pH swings.

Mini-STEP 1d – Adjust Borate Level

If the borate level is below 50 ppm, add enough borate to raise the level to 30-50 ppm. Add 117 oz of borax (not Boraxo) per 10,000 gallons per 10 ppm or add 90 oz of sodium tetra borate per 10,000 gallons per 10 ppm.

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New method of pool chemical treatment

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The main reason to use borate is to keep the pH from rising. Bicarbonates (TA) and cyanurates (cyanuric acid in water) form buffer systems which prevent pH decreases. They buffer more strongly against large drops in pH. Borates are a buffer system that prevents pH increases. They buffer more strongly against large rises in pH. The minimum borate concentration needed is 30 ppm but the ideal amount is 50 ppm.

The others reasons for using borates are: algaestatic properties, reduced chlorine usage, silkier feeling water with less skin and eye irritation, and clearer, sparkling water.

Borate level only needs to be checked occasionally. This will help prevent a pH upward drift. You will need a borate test method or locate a pool store that has a test for it or you may buy some borate test strips from an online seller.

STEP 2 - Disinfection and Oxidation - Add Chlorine FC (Free Chlorine) minimum is 7.5% of CYA

The proper amount of FC depends on the CYA level.

chlorine generator pools need a minimum FC of 5% of CYA.

FC must always exceed the minimum, or algae can flourish depending on nutrients, bacteria can grow depending on other conditions and chloramines will be formed. The minimum FC shown here is the absolute minimum. Do not allow FC to go below it. If the algae nutrient level is low, then algae may not grow. Phosphate remover products remove orthophosphates which means that a lower FC concentration would be required to prevent algae. Using an algaecide or phosphate remover

will lose about 2 ppm of FC every day in the summer because of UV induced degradation even in the presence of CYA. This does not include swimmer chlorine demand. Obviously this means that chlorine cannot be added just once a week. It would require 14 ppm of chlorine at a CYA level of 100

CYA (ppm)	Minimum FC (ppm)	Ideal FC (ppm)	Shock (ppm)
	7.5% of CYA	11.5% of CYA	40% of CYA
20	2	3	10
30	2	4	12
40	3	5	16
50	4	6	20
60	5	7	24
70	5	8	28
80	6	9	31
90	7	10	35
100	7	12	39

Notes: Original idea for this chart from Ben Powell. This version differs. Amounts are rounded. Minimum FC 2.0 ppm. Ideal is a general term for a typical pool. Shock is for removing combined chlorine or for after very high bather loads. It is recommended that CYA level be reduced by draining and refilling water rather than maintaining FC level greater than 6.0 ppm. SWG (salt water of the week. Conditions may tained.

Which Type of Chlorine to Use

Although it may cause a momentary increase, liquid chlorine has no net permanent effect

will lower the minimum FC requirement. Most uncovered outdoor pools on pH. The pH of the water will go up when liquid chlorine is added but as it is used, the pH goes back down. (Note: some chlorinating liquids with a pH more than 13.0 can cause a slight increase in pH.)

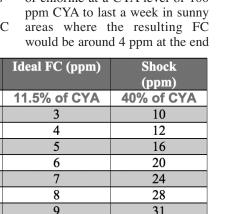
Use liquid chlorine from a pool store or use liquid bleach from a super market or home center. The only difference is the percent of chlorine and the pH. If liq-

uid chlorine is not sold at your local pool store, buy liquid bleach from the grocery store, chain discount store or home center. Just be sure to buy the type of bleach that has no additives, fragrance or detergent. It is best to use a liquid chlorine dispenser or small metering pump to dispense the chlorine or bleach but you certainly can add chlorine manually. You may

also decide to use a SWG (Salt Water Chlorine Generator).

Cal hypo can be used. It is more dangerous to store than liquid chlorine. It too has a net zero pH effect and it increases hardness level by about 7 ppm for each 10 ppm of FC. Your CH level may rise when using cal hypo as the main chlorinating source. Lithium

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necessitate more frequent additions of chlorine. Checking the FC level daily is a good way to determine how often this is. Shocking is unnecessary if the correct minimum FC level is always main-



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New method of pool chemical treatment

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hypo is another alternative. It has no net effect on pH, but it is relatively expensive.

If trichlor is used, be aware that the pH and TA are decreased because of the acidic nature of the product. The TA will need to be kept between 100 and 120 ppm with a pH of 7.5-7.8. In addition, trichlor contains a significant amount of CYA. Trichlor is very convenient to use due to the tablets continual dosing. Many trichlor users are reluctant to switch because liquid chlorine requires multiple additions every week or using a liquid feeder.

For every 10 ppm of FC (free chlorine) added by trichlor, it raises CYA by 6 ppm. Considering that the average outdoor pool will lose about 2.0 ppm per day of FC, in a week just due to UV degradation, you will need 14 ppm FC which will increase CYA by 8.4 ppm per week. Add bather load to that and you can see that CYA can increase rapidly. We do not recommend using trichlor as a sole source of chlorine because the CYA can reach more than 50 ppm in less than one month.

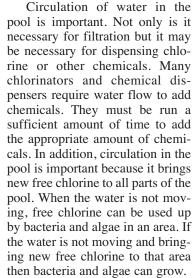
For every 10 ppm of FC (free chlorine) added by dichlor, it rais-

es CYA by 9 ppm. However, dichlor is not used often for regular chlorination. Dichlor is near neutral in pH so it does not affect pH. But when the chlorine is used or consumed it creates some acid so it will lower TA and pH with continued use.

Once CYA is increased to 50 ppm or more, switch to liquid chlorine, bleach or cal hypo or drain some water and refill.

STEP 3 – Filter and Circulate

The pool pump needs to be run for a sufficient amount of time to filter all of the water. With new energy-saving pumps and older pumps in use, it can be difficult to say how long pumps should be run. However, we recommend that the water have at least one turnover per day. A turnover is the time is takes for the pump to pump a volume of water equal to the volume of the pool. For example, if the pool is 12,000 gallons and the pump flow is 50 gpm (gallons per minute) then it will require 240 minutes (12,000 gallons \div 50 gpm = 240 minutes) or 4 hours to attain one turnover. If the pump is a new variable speed pump, the flow may be 18 gpm. This will require 666 minutes $(12,000 \div 18 = 666)$ or about 11 hours to attain one turnover. However, 11 hours on slow speed will use less electricity than 4 hours on high speed.

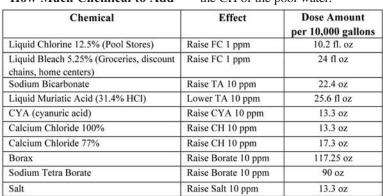


How Much Chemical to Add

Notes: Water can be acidic, balanced or alkaline. If water is not balanced, it can harm swimmers, the pool and the equipment. If acidic, corrosion can occur. If alkaline, scaling can result. Each of these reduces the effectiveness of chlorine.

The five most important parameters to keeping the water balanced: Temperature, CH, TA, CYA and pH.

Calcium Hardness: The lower the CH, the calcium concentration in the water, the greater TA and pH must be for the water to be balanced. The higher the CH, the lower TA and pH must be for the water to be balanced. Your first step is to test the CH of the pool water.



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Once you have completed all the above STEPS, your pool balance should be stable and only minor adjustment to pH, TA and FC should be necessary. When you first start using Honest Pool Care 1-2-3 you should test the water for pH, TA and FC two to three times a week. It will help you learn how often to add chlorine. It will also show you if the pH is drifting up or down. Remember, if the pH is drifting up, the TA is too high. Try increasing it by 10 ppm. If the pH is drifting down, the TA is too low. Try lowering by 10 ppm.

Below are some additional information for those who are curious. If you are not one of those curios people, enjoy your pool and tell your friends about Honest Pool Care 1-2-3 and how easy pool care can be otherwise, read on.

If it is less than 100 ppm, add calcium chloride (hardness increaser) to increase it to 200-300 ppm. (See dose amounts in chart.) If the CH is more than 200 ppm, no further adjustment is necessary; just write it down. CH concentration is used to determine the correct TA and pH levels. Calcium should be added once to bring CH above the minimum recommended concentration of 200 ppm. CH level does not change much in pools. New plaster and the use of cal hypo for chlorination will significantly increase CH.

pH: pH is the measure of acidity or basicity of the water. In common use, the pH scale is 0 (highly acidic) to 14 (very basic or alkaline) with 7.0 being neutral. Values below 7.0 are acid and values above 7.0 are base. The pH of the human body usually is 7.4 –

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August 8, 2012

Dear Health and Safety Colleague:

After learning of the recent entrapment incident in Tennessee involving a young girl in a wading pool, I am writing to all state and local safety officials to remind you of the important role you play in ensuring that these facilities meet all safety requirements and of the importance of completing comprehensive inspections. Swimming pools, wading pools, and spas used by the public for sports, recreation, and exercise should be as safe as possible, especially those used by young children.

The Virginia Graeme Baker Pool and Spa Safety Act (P&SS Act) is intended to eliminate the hidden hazards of pool and spa drain entrapments and eviscerations. Entrapment-related fatalities occurred prior to the passage of the P&SS Act, but since the law went into effect in December 2008, there have been no reported entrapment fatalities. We want to continue this excellent safety record.

Public pools and spas are required to be equipped with compliant suction outlet covers and secondary anti-entrapment devices or systems where single-suction outlets exist. After more than three years of the P&SS Act being in effect, all public pools and spas should be in compliance with the requirements of the regulation. CPSC staff continues to inspect pools and spas and to enforce these requirements throughout the country. Because of the large number of aquatic facilities and limited CPSC staff, we depend on you and other state or local health and safety officials to help enforce the requirements of the P&SS Act.

Comprehensive inspections of pool and spa facilities are required to assure correct installation and operation of the safety device(s). You will find valuable tools and resources available on the State and Local Officials page on our Pool Safely website (www.poolsafely.gov/). Specifically, CPSC staff has developed Guidance to Compliance, an eight-part video training series explaining how to properly inspect pools and spas for compliance with the Virginia Graeme Baker Pool and Spa Safety Act. Please go to our Pool Safely website to view the videos or to request a free copy be sent to you.

I hope that we can continue to work together to make pools and spas as safe as we can for all who use them.

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Help needed with California state-wide West Nile virus threat

By Don Burns

Don Burns is president and CEO of the California Spa and Pool Education Council (SPEC) www.calspec.org.

Adding significantly to California's present West Nile Virus outbreak threat are thousands of potentially stagnant swimming pools and spas at homes abandoned following lender foreclo-

The virus is carried by mosquitoes, which require standing water for their larva to develop. Needed action: Prevent water stagnation.

In cooperation with the Mosquito and Vector Control Association of California (MVCAC), an organization of local government vector control and mosquito abatement agencies, the state's swimming pool industry is asking the cooperation of its members in the current campaign to locate and report standing bodies of water where mosquitoes can breed.

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Abandoned swimming pools

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SNTech announces name changes of its pool and spa motors to Dyna-Tech and Infinity

and imPower brand names will no longer be used effective August 22, 2012

SNTech, Inc., a Phoenix, Arizona-based company specializing in the design, manufacture and distribution of highly energy efficient electric motors, announces a

Marathon Electric by SNTech name change of its entire pool and from imPower by SNTech to spa motor product portfolio.

> Beginning Wednesday, August 22, pool and spa motors currently known as Marathon Electric by SNTech will change to Dyna-Tech motors. On the same date, the company's line of variable speed pool pump motors will change

Infinity motors.

The name changes will take effect in conjunction with the oneyear anniversary of SNTech acquiring the two motor product lines from Regal Beloit Corporation (RBC).

"It's time to refresh these

brands with names that more accurately reflect both our values at SNTech and the dynamic attributes of the products," said SNTech CEO Shannon Bard. "The name Dyna-Tech ties into our company name and conveys power, innovation and durability. The Infinity motor line will continue to demonstrate progressive technology, set the bar for contemporary design and evolve for many years to

The name changes will not affect the design, functionality or warranty of any of the motors.

"Another reason for the name change is that it enables us to create new products or make future acquisitions in these categories

that will be compatible with the brands," Bard added.

Since acquiring the soon-to-be renamed Dyna-Tech and Infinity product lines last year, SNTech moved assembly operations for the motors from Mexico to its manufacturing facility in Searcy, Arkansas, which resulted in the creation of more than 30 jobs.

"We're confident that the name changes will resonate and catch on quickly with the original equipment manufacturers, distributors, contractors and retailers we're supplying," Bard says. He adds, "Getting more

American-built energy efficient motors into mainstream markets in the U.S. is our first priority, and we believe that our new pool and spa product names are a reflection of that commitment."

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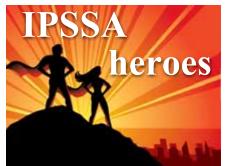
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IPSSA Tucson chapter supports the YMCA "All Kids Swim" program

By Steven Nelson

Steven Nelson is the IPSSA Tucson Chapter Secretary.

Drowning is a leading cause of death among children in the United States. Unfortunately, Arizona ranks near the top of the list. Tucson, like many local governments, has made painful budget cuts. Even with a huge local outpouring of private and corporate financial support, many area public swimming pools remain closed for a second year in a row.

"The IPSSA Tucson chapter actively supports local organizations such as the YMCA, Community Food Bank and the

Optimist Club," says Grant Ross, IPSSA Tucson chapter president. "Drowning prevention through education and safety is an IPSSA priority."

The YMCA "All Kids Swim" Tucson Program started in 2011 providing 250 kids with swimming lessons and is ramping-up to teach 1,250 kids this year. "We plan to offer ongoing support to the Tucson YMCA 'All Kids Swim' program." says John Greenough. There are other similar YMCA children swim programs in other cities, all needing your support, please check them out in your

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(See 'Matching funds available from IPSSA Inc.', Page 21)



APSP Career Institute featured at the 2012 Int'l Pool | Spa | Patio Expo's educational conference

Taking place just prior to the 2012 International Pool | Spa | Patio Expo [PSP] in New Orleans, the Association of Pool & Spa Professionals [APSP] will offer three in-depth educational compo-

nents of the APSP Career Institute, adding another important element to the Expo's stellar line-up of educational offerings. created powerful programs to challenge the current ways of thinking and learn the key concepts and methods that will highlight their expertise," said Lindsay "The three programs provide attendees with the knowledge, skills and abilities to set them apart from their competition."

The APSP Builders Institute, presented by the APSP Builders Council, is an intense two-day program of interactive workshops designed to be a transformational learning experience that will make attendees a better builder and more effective business person.

for Building Professionals," "Vanishing Edge & Perimeter Overflow Pools: Design Theory, Engineering & Construction Best Practices," "Vanishing Edge & Perimeter Overflow Pools: Applied Knowledge," and "Dynamic Fountains for Small Spaces."

Monday, November 5, two half-day workshops include, "Social Media and the Internet Have Created a Major Shift in Marketing Strategies: Find Out What IT All Means and How to Capture It!" and "Know Your Numbers - Estimate Accurate Job Costs to Always Make a Profit!"

Presented by APSP Service Council, the APSP Technical Service Institute is a highly interactive two-day workshop to increase technical expertise and provide the knowledge and skills to effectively lead a service business.

Classes on Sunday, November 4, include, "Energy Efficiency Strategies Customers Expect," "Calculated Hydraulics vs. Actual Performance: What You Need to Know," "Research Results: What Consumers Want From Service Companies," and "Powerful People: Recruiting and Training Top Talent for Your Business."

Monday, November 5, classes include, "Stop Thinking Like a Manager: How to Lead Your Business," "Preparing for the 3 "S's": How to Make Your Business Sound for Succession, Sale & Sustainability," "Plaster Problems: Prevention and Solutions," and "How to Protect Yourself from the Pool Popping and Floating Liner Epidemic."

The APSP Hot Tub Technician Certification covers the essentials of portable hot tub service and equipment repair. Held Sunday, November 4, and Monday, November 5, the course uses the APSP Hot Tub Technician Manual to guide students through fundamental hot tub design and manufacturing models and then moves on to the basics of troubleshooting and repair.

Professionals who want to earn the highest level of professional certification in the industry should complete the APSP Certified Building Professional Prep Course or the APSP Certified Service Professional Prep Course on Saturday, November 3, and then complete the exam on Tuesday, November 6.

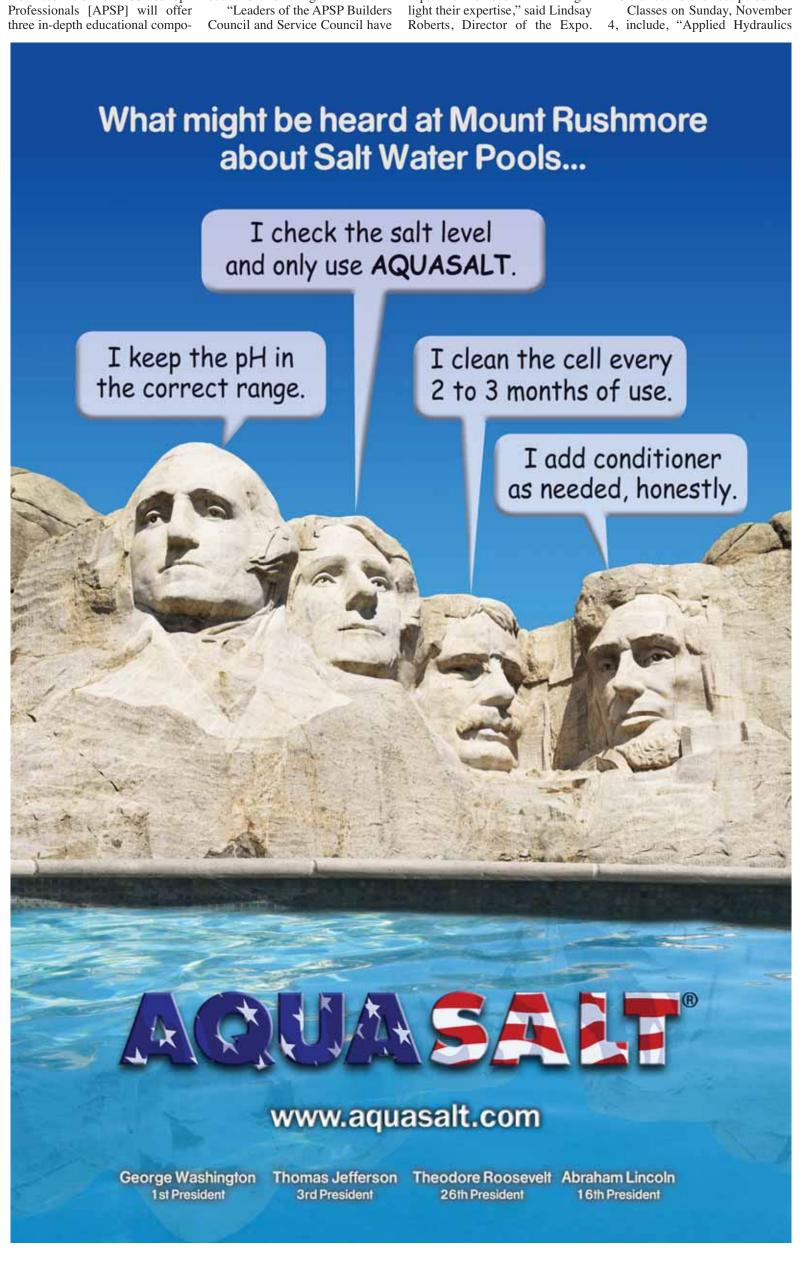
"These programs were designed to build core skills and share best practices and innovations," said Bill Weber, President and CEO of APSP, the show's official sponsor. "Registrants will receive the most relevant and useful educational tools to enrich their professional development and success."

The 2012 Int'l Pool | Patio | Spa Expo will be held November 6-8, at the Morial Convention Center in New Orleans, Louisiana USA

Registration Packages

The APSP Career Institute packages are ticketed events and seating is limited, so early registration is encouraged to ensure access to the program.

All three programs include a Super Pass [seminars on Tuesday-Thursday], the Expo on Tuesday-Thursday, the Welcome Party and Saber Grills BBQ & Jazz Fest [must register to attend]. Advance



An Eye on Education CPO Class Here Another Proceedings

By Steve Donohoe

Steve Donohoe is a member of the IPSSA Orange County Pool Professionals chapter and an authorized NSFP instructor.

"Grounding is when you tell your kids they cannot leave the house and bonding is when you go with them." -- Bob Nichols, full of wisdom, IPSSA member and mentor

When we are in Chapter 14 (Facility Safety) of the Pool & Spa Operator Handbook during our CPO® class we discuss the difference between grounding and bonding.

APSP Career Institute

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prices are \$650 for APSP members and \$750 for non-members.

The APSP Certified Prep Courses & Exam include admission to the course, the Expo on Tuesday-Thursday, the Welcome Party and Saber Grills BBQ & Jazz Fest [must register to attend]. Advance prices are \$495 for APSP members and non-members.

To register for these programs, attendees should visit www.PoolSpaPatio.com/attendee, where program schedules and additional information is posted. Discounted registration rates are available through September 25, 2012. For more information, please call 972.536.6350 or 888.869.8522.

Additional show information can be found on Facebook at www.facebook.com/PoolSpaPatio Expo, LinkedIn at www.linkedin. com/groups?gid=1963264, Twitter at www.twitter.com/PoolSpaPatio and YouTube at www.youtube.com/PoolSpaPatioExpo. Twitter users can follow the show using #PoolSpaPatio or @PoolSpaPatio.

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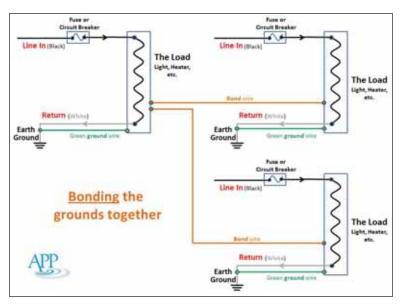
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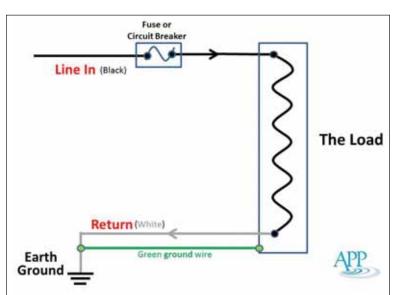
Grounding and Bonding... What's the difference?

Grounding is when a piece of electrical equipment's return is properly connected to ensure a low-resistance electrical current path to earth ground. Typically, a green ground wire is run from the electrical panel to each piece of equipment to ensure that in case of a fault there is another path for the electricity to return to the panel and to earth ground. The Simple Circuit schematic illustrates Line

In (power in), the Load and the Return path to ground. Since the earth is not a very good electrical conductor, each single point earth ground does not necessarily have the same electrical potential.

If you happen to bridge across this difference in potential you will feel an electrical shock. To ensure these ground points are at the same potential we "bond" them or connect them together to





put them on the same ground plane.

The swimming pool is concrete, re-bar, electrical wiring for lights and water. The very fact that it is in the ground makes it very grounded. However, this ground should be connected or bonded to the pool equipment to put everything on the same ground plane.

The Three Simple Circuits

schematic shows three different circuits with their grounds bonded together

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WaterWisdom is overflowing this October 2012 at the World Aquatic HealthTM Conference

World Aquatic Health™ Conference organizers are pleased to announce several additions, including a pre-conference Genesis 3 educational event, to the already jam-packed schedule. Slated for this October 10-12, 2012 at the Norfolk Marriott Waterside Hotel in Norfolk, Virginia, people are encouraged to reserve hotel rooms early to ensure the discounted rate.

The conference schedule includes two keynote presentations, 45 seminars encompassing 5 critical topic areas, lunch roundtables, a scientific poster session and an all-new welcome reception.

For the third year, National Swimming Pool Foundation® (NSPF®) is pleased to partner

with the Aquatics Section of the American Physical Therapy Association for their Aquatic Summit. The World Aquatic Health Conference also welcomes back USA Swimming and the Aquatic Exercise Association for pre-and post conference events.

What's New! Genesis 3 Design Group Partners to Present PreConference Education Event

The World Aquatic Health Conference welcomes Genesis 3 as a conference event partner. The organization will offer Design 351: Dry-Deck Fountain Safety, an 8-hour class to be instructed by Michael Denman, Business Development, Crystal Fountains, Toronto, Ontario,

Canada. Scheduled for October 10 from 8 am to 5 pm, participants can earn 0.8 CEUs from Genesis 3. Municipal codes are evolving to accommodate the higher risk of public health and safety associated with dry-deck water features. Sanitation is difficult where bather loads burdened relatively small surge basins; this course presents solutions and includes science showing how ocular damage injuries can be reduced based on research developed by Crystal Fountains and a University of Virginia professor. Participants will also learn how to recognize toe entrapment problems, identify solutions, and discuss design options to improve overall dry-deck fountain safety. World Aquatic Health Conference registrants can attend for \$575; those not attending, registration is \$675. Breakfast and lunch is included. Sign up at the WAHC online.

Welcome Reception Takes a Cruise on the Spirit of Norfolk

All conference registrants are invited at no extra charge to cruise on the lovely Elizabeth River from 6:30 pm to 9:00 pm, October 10th. The Spirit of Norfolk offers the perfect introduction to the city, as attendees mix, mingle and dine on a complete buffet dinner. Guests may attend for an additional fee.

Live Streaming for RWI Track

In addition to recording all conference seminars for viewing after the conference, this year a live streaming of the Recreational Water Illness (RWI) Track is planned for Thursday, October 11. The track includes 5 seminars focusing on the Model Aquatic Health Code. For people who are unable to attend the conference but do not want to miss the WaterWisdom shared, access is available for \$99.00. More information on the live stream will be coming. Details about the RWI Track on Thursday may be found by downloading the conference registration package.

Step Into Swim Congress: October 10, 1pm – 5pm. By Invitation

National Swimming Pool Foundation will officially launch the Step Into Swim™ Campaign at this event where organizations and individuals who have committed to donate funds to the 10-year initiative will gather with representatives of leading "learn-toswim" organizations. These featured organizations will make presentations describing how they will meet the demand to teach 1 million more swimmers over the next decade. Congress presenters will show invitees, how, together with their help, we can create industry growth AND reduce

drowning, chronic illness, and healthcare inflation. For further information on how to receive an invitation to attend the inaugural Step Into Swim Congress, people can visit www.StepIntoSwim.org or call 719-540-9119.

International Swimming Hall of Fame (ISHOF) Art Exhibit

ISHOF has graciously offered to loan an art exhibition from their private collection. The show focuses on swimming during the Victorian era, when the English made swimming a sport and an acceptable pastime. The exhibit will also present the people who spent their lives on the shores of rivers and lakes, and in the waters of tropical Africa, the Americas, Polynesia and Asia. There, parents taught their children to swim at the earliest age, girls as well as boys, as their avocations, recreations and safety required it. This special exhibit will be open for viewing adjacent to the World Aquatic Health Conference Registration Desk on October 11, from 8 am to 5 pm and October 12 from 8am to 3pm.

Silent Auction - Original painting

Artist, George Catlin, 1833

The most detailed descriptions of the swimming skills and styles of Native American swimmers, which were no doubt universally

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National Swimming Pool Foundation® awards \$17,000 in scholarships and fellowships to nine students

Nine university students have been awarded a total of \$17,000 in Scholarships and Fellowships by the National Swimming Pool Foundation® (NSPF®) Board of Directors for the year 2012-2013. The board has funded these two award programs annually, now entering their ninth year. As the economy continues to be soft, and educational funding programs continue to be reduced, the NSPF board is pleased to help empower these nine students in their professional development.

National Swimming Pool Foundation's Certified Pool/Spa Operator® (CPO®) certification graduates and their family members are recognized with the

Scholarship Program to help them pursue their college dreams. Providing fellowship assistance to young researchers also helps young scholars as they chart their careers. "There are few things we do any given day that will have an impact for decades. Giving to students to help them on their way is one such thing," reinforces Bill Kent, NSPF Scholarship Review Committee Chair.

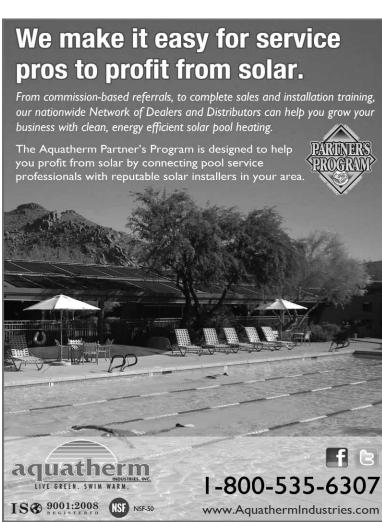
This year's scholarship applicants were asked to write an essay that discusses how to prevent pool water contamination, and methods to clean up after a contamination incident occurs. The Scholarship Committee approved \$9,000 in scholarships to seven students

who are pursuing higher education around the U.S., in a variety of subject areas.

Laura Glass — Bethel College, received an NSPF Board of Directors Scholarship for \$2,000; Joseph Franceschini — University of Las Vegas, was awarded an NSPF Board of Directors Scholarship for \$2,000; James Chafins – Kentucky Christian University, received the P. Cory Willis Scholarship for \$1,000; Brenda Broderick — Barry

University, was recipient of the Phillip J. Sperber Scholarship for \$1,000; Alyssa Kelly — Ohio State University, was recipient of the D. Joseph Hunsaker Scholarship for \$1,000; Jennifer Mielke

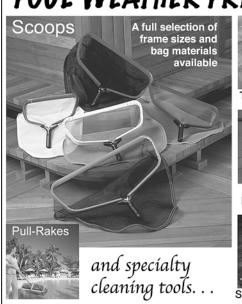
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trips into Indian territory between 1830 and 1836, visiting fifty tribes. In this painting, called A Village of the Hidatsa Tribe at Knife River, Catlin depicts what he observed in this and other villages, that swimming was a daily ritual for the Indians from their earliest days as young children and that they used a version of the modern Crawl Stroke. In his journal, Catlin tells the interesting story of this painting. A silent auction for this painting donated by ISHOF will be held at the World Aquatic Health Conference with opening bid of \$250.00 for this framed piece of historical art (shown here). The painting will be on display near the conference registration desk on October 11 and October 12. Proceeds will be invested by NSPF into aquatic health benefit research.

For the ninth consecutive year, the World Aquatic Health™ Conference will host global recreational water leaders who will reflect upon the latest WaterWisdom and project a wise path forward. Attendees will gather to learn from the latest research and practical science. The conference attracts over 400 of the most influential academic, industry, and government experts who are committed to making our world healthier through aquatics. In this intimate environment, leaders come together to understand emerging issues, exchange ideas, and formulate future plans. A cross section of industry segments attend, including leaders from academia, associations, building, consulting, retail, aquatic facilities, service, public health/government, health and medical, and manufacturers. The conference promises a wealth of wisdom, diversity of thinking and a breadth of knowledge with 27 new speakers, all with an emphasis on useful application. Several leadership meetings will also be held during the week.

Details on all seminars and presenters are found at www.nspf.org by clicking on 2012 World Aquatic Health Conference. Included on this page are links to a complete information package, secure online registration and hotel reservations. Deadline to take advantage of a \$70.00 regular registration savings is July 31. Full-time college students (12+ credit hours) may register for only \$100 by providing proof of enrollment at an accredited college or university. For additional information call 719-540-9119.

Zodiac upgrades Polaris 3900 and adds TailSweep Pro accessory

Zodiac Pool Systems, Inc. continues its commitment to continual product improvement with the introduction of the TailSweep Pro™ and additional enhancements to its Polaris® pressure pool cleaner, the Polaris 3900 Sport. A global team of Zodiac engineers captured data from pool professionals and consumers in the field as well as within controlled testing environments to determine key improvement areas wanted by customers.

The result is a new and improved Polaris 3900 Sport model that includes both mechanical and aesthetic improvements to deliver premium performance for a sustained period, providing improved durability and a trouble-free pool cleaning experience for homeowners.

The TailSweep Pro is a simple retrofit accessory that improves sweeping by delivering 50 percent more flow through its jet pump propulsion. It also prevents certain spray issues such as the pressure-side pool cleaner's sweep hose from spraying water out of the pool and splashing windows, walkways and landscaping. The accessory retails for \$29.95 (MSRP). Features include:

- Simple snap-on technology allows it to be added directly, in less than a minute, onto the end of the sweep hose; no tools required for installation
- High efficiency maximizes water propulsion to blow debris out of corners and enhance sweeping action
- Broad application it works on any Polaris 3-wheeled pressure-

side pool cleaner, including Polaris 380, 360, 280 and 180 cleaners, in addition to coming standard on the new 3900 Sport model.

In addition to the spray issues

solved by the TailSweep Pro, customers identified several other common areas for improvement that occur with all brands of pressure cleaners. Zodiac proactively addressed these challenges by incorporating several other enhancements in the Polaris 3900 Sport, including:

• All-wheel drive Posi-Drive

system – minimizes hang-ups and delivers more torque than other cleaners in its class, resulting in superior performance

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New method of pool chemical treatment

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7.5. Accordingly, recreational water is maintained near this range. We recommend the pH range of 7.5 to 7.8. It is important not to believe, that simply because the pH is 7.5, the water is balanced. If the CH is too low, any plaster or equipment in contact with that water will be corroded. If the TA is too high, scale forms on the pool walls, the equipment and the plumbing. Large deviations from the ideal reduce the effectiveness of chlorine. Thus it is very important to maintain an ideal pH in balanced water.

Total Alkalinity: Total Alkalinity acts as a pH buffer, resisting pH changes in either direction. However, TA resists downward changes better. High levels of TA make it difficult to change pH when adding acid or base. However, high TA requires a low pH for balanced water. Conversely, relatively little acid is needed to change the pH when the TA is low. The lower the TA level, the higher the pH must be for balanced water. Clearly, pH and alkalinity are related.

The key for obtaining balanced water without pH drift, is maintaining optimal TA level. If the pH rises over time, above 8.0, the TA has to be decreased. If the pH

drops over time, say, below 7.2, the TA level is too low. However, if the pool has a lot of aeration (waterfalls, fountains or anything that causes turbulence), then the ideal pH and TA will be different than for pools with no aeration. By fine tuning TA, you can balance the pH accurately, and adjustment only rarely will be necessary.

Proper TA: Obtaining and maintaining the correct TA level is dependent upon the existing CH (calcium hardness). If CH is approximately 200 ppm, TA will have to be 80 ppm for balanced water with an ideal pH of 7.6. If CH is 300 ppm, TA should be about 70 ppm with a pH of 7.6.

Another Way of Lowering TA and Raising pH:

Use muriatic acid to decrease TA, aeration to raise pH.

- 1. Add enough acid to lower pH to 7.0-7.2
- 2. Aerate until pH is 7.6 (may take 6-12 hours depending on pool gallons and starting pH and TA)
- 3. Test TA (Total Alkalinity)
- 4. Repeat 1 & 2 until desired TA (60-90 ppm) and pH (7.5) are

Chlorine Exposure

Understand that in the presence of 30 ppm CYA, 97% of the chlorine is bound to the CYA. If

there is 6.0 ppm of free chlorine in the water, this means that 0.18 ppm (3% of 6.0) is not bound to CYA. This is equivalent to about 0.2 ppm free chlorine with no CYA. Here, there is sufficient chlorine held in reserve such that it is not depleted by high organic contamination, such as urine and sweat. At least 16 ppm free chlorine (in the absence of CYA) was required for eye irritation based on eye irritation experiments.

Commercial or Public Pools

The Honest Pool Care 1-2-3 method was designed for residential swimming pools, not commercial or public pools. The latter two are subject to all local, state and federal codes, regulations and guidelines.

Resources

For more detailed information on CYA please see "Cyanuric Acid: It Controls Your Pool" by Robert W. Lowry.

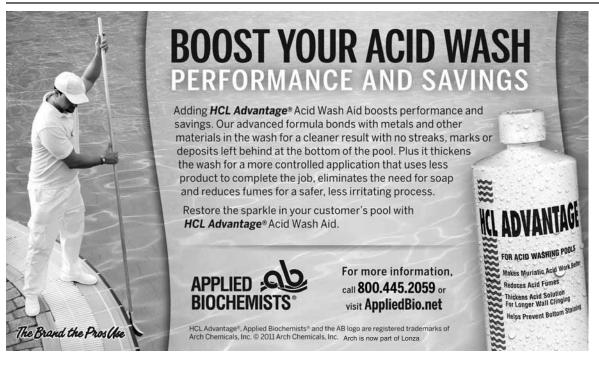
For more information on aeration for raising pH, please see "Using Air and Acid to Get Perfect pH and Alkalinity Quickly" by Robert W. Lowry.

There is also a new website that is built around this method: www.honestpoolchemistry.com.

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NSPF scholarships and fellowships

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— Saginaw Valley State University was awarded the William N. Rowley Scholarship for \$1,000; and Taylor Strout — Armstrong Atlantic State University was awarded the D.J. Wright Scholarship for \$1,000.

The Fellowship program was established to encourage and support graduate students and post-doctoral fellows who are performing risk reduction or health benefit research related to aquatic activities and/or venues such as swimming pools, spas/hot tubs, therapy pools, and waterparks. The NSPF® Fellowship Program awarded \$8,000 to two students.

Jodi Jensen, M.A., Public Administration, who is pursuing her Doctorate of Philosophy in Educational Management, Hampton University, Hampton, Va., received a fellowship award of \$4,000. Ms. Jensen is a second-time recipient of the fellowship award. She has over 20 years in

the aquatics field and has a lifetime love of the water. Ms. Jensen has worked in the public sector in parks and recreation before entering full time into academia. In addition to attaining NSPF Instructor status, she has volunteered on the National Red Cross Advisory Committee for revision of the Lifeguard Training program; she also served as member of the Hygiene Technical Committee for the Center for Disease Control and Prevention Model Aquatic Health Code. Her interests include examining attitudes and beliefs towards aquatics by African Americans, particularly young adults. Her experimental investigation would address the huge disparity between African Americans versus Caucasians who swim, and the impact on unintentional drowning rates.

Laura Suppes, who is pursuing a Doctorate degree in Environmental Health Sciences at the University of Arizona Mel and Enid Zuckerman College of Public Health, was awarded a \$4,000 fellowship. Ms. Suppes is a Certified Pool/Spa Operator® certification program graduate, Registered Environmental Health Specialist, and a Master of Public Health. Ms. Suppes is currently conducting research funded by the National Swimming Pool Foundation under the direction of Dr. Kelly Reynolds that aims to develop standardized criteria for studies that explore health effects associated with exposure to aquatic environments. In addition, for part of her dissertation, she will study the correlations among microbial and cyanuric acid concentrates at various pool depths and Acute Gastrointestinal Illness reports by pool users.

Direct family members of individuals who have earned a Certified Pool/Spa Operator® certification may apply for the 2013-2014 year scholarships prior to June 1, 2013. The 2013 scholarship essays will ask candidates to write, from their perspective, what could be done in America to get more people to learn to swim. Essays that support the position by research and inclusion of scientific references will be viewed favorably. Information on how to apply for scholarships and fellowships is available at www.nspf.org. Fellowship applicants should be performing aquatic research and can learn how to apply on the NSPF fellowships page.

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paper on a pool industry related topic.

The recipients are Melissa Adams,

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Nadia Baccus, Largo; Katie Bluds-

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Tampa; Dakota Egglefield, Nokomis;

Allisun Griffiths, Longwood; Haley

Hahmann, Tampa; Hillary Hahmann,

The 2012 recipients of the Florida Swimming Pool Association Merit Scholarship have been announced

To qualify, applicants must be each application. dependents of owners or employees of FSPA member companies. Transcripts, letters of recommendation, SAT/ACT scores and a research paper are required with

For the 2012-2013 academic year \$19,850 has been awarded to 23 students ranging from \$500 to \$1,400 each. The scholarships are given out based on academic accomplishment,

bourne; Lauren Hoff, Loxahatchee; Chelsey Hoffner, Sarasota; Marcus Howard, Clearwater; Kimberly Kelly, Loxahatchee; Tanya Lueck; Melbourne; Ashley Malagian, Orlando; Erick Manley, Chuluota; Kaitlyn Mannis, Lecanto; Jessica Piercy, Sanford; Robert Pruette, Fleming Island; Dane Quintal, Neptune Beach; Adam Roth, Orlando; and Kiana Schilling, Cooper City.

The Florida Swimming Pool Association is a trade association for the pool and spa industry in Florida. There are approximately 550 member businesses in 16 Chapters across the state. Members are required to abide by a code of ethics and to be properly licensed and insured. FSPA provides the industry with access to continuing education courses, information on current trends and issues, an arbitration program and government relations representation. FSPA is governed by a Board of Directors.

Zodiac upgrades Polaris 3900

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- A 2.5" vacuum inlet largest in the category – driven by a powerful, triple-jet, Venturi suction design, the outlet captures large debris and prevents clogging
- Wide Trax tires increase surface contact, provide optimal traction and aid climbing and maneuverability
- Large capacity SuperBag with non-binding zipper – makes cleaning easy and minimizes frequency of cleaning
- 8-Point mechanical upgrade - providing strength, durability and a hassle-free user experience – including gear box upgrade for extended lifespan

The improved Polaris 3900

• Best-in-class speed and Sport retails for \$899, with a \$200 in-season rebate, valid through Sept. 3, 2012. For those owners who have an older version of the 3900 Sport model, a tune-up kit is now available (part # R0543200) for \$199.00 (MSRP) to improve the ruggedness and durability.

Pool professionals can learn more about the Polaris 3900 Sport and TailSweepPro by visiting the new Polaris website at www. polarispool.com. With available videos, brochures, manuals, and comparison charts, the Polaris website is a great place to walk customers through a product overview or to serve as an additional source of information for customers seeking more research.

Matching funds available from IPSSA Inc.

IPSSA Inc. has a matching grant fund of \$22,000 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

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.
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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 (shown below and available on the membersonly 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 March 1, 2011 through September 30, 2011 for Year One

and October 1, thru September 30, 2012 for Year Two.

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 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."

Hayward® launches new Max-Flo XL pump series, the latest addition to the proven Max-Flo line

New medium head pumps feature advanced hydraulics and conveniences

Hayward® Pool Products announces the Max-Flo XL medium head pump series for the residential pool market. Extending their existing Max-Flo line, the new pumps offer advanced hydraulics and the latest conveniences combined with incredible economy and performance.

According to Hayward, Max-Flo XL pumps are outstanding self-priming medium head pumps for both new construction and aftermarket applications. "The pumps' advanced hydraulics deliver performance and reliability pool professionals need, while their convenience and exceptional value will make them a favorite with pool owners," according to Scott Petty, product manager for Hayward Pumps.

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and spas are a major concern of the state's vector control agencies. Pool industry professionals are in an excellent position to provide information on shut-down pools. When a house has had its power turned off and its pool has been left without maintenance, it should be reported to the local vector control office as soon as possible. Local abatement officers can then go to the pool and release mosquito fish into the water. The fish feed on mosquito larva and remove the threat of West Nile Virus spreading.

SPEC members are asked to report any abandoned pools they find in their daily work. The MVCAC's web site has a listing of all California control district offices, their telephone numbers and email addresses for pool service technicians to use for reporting abandoned pools. The web site address for the local directory is: www.mvcac.org/agencies.htm. You are urged to go on the Internet and contact the vector control office in your area so that alerts can be sent quickly when a problem pool is discovered.

Several agencies, such as the Sacramento-Yolo Counties Vector Control District, have resources which allow them to do helicopter fly-over photography operations to spot untreated home pools. But even these few better funded districts cannot afford to photograph large areas on a daily basis. As a result, SPEC members can provide considerable help in the present health risk emergency.



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