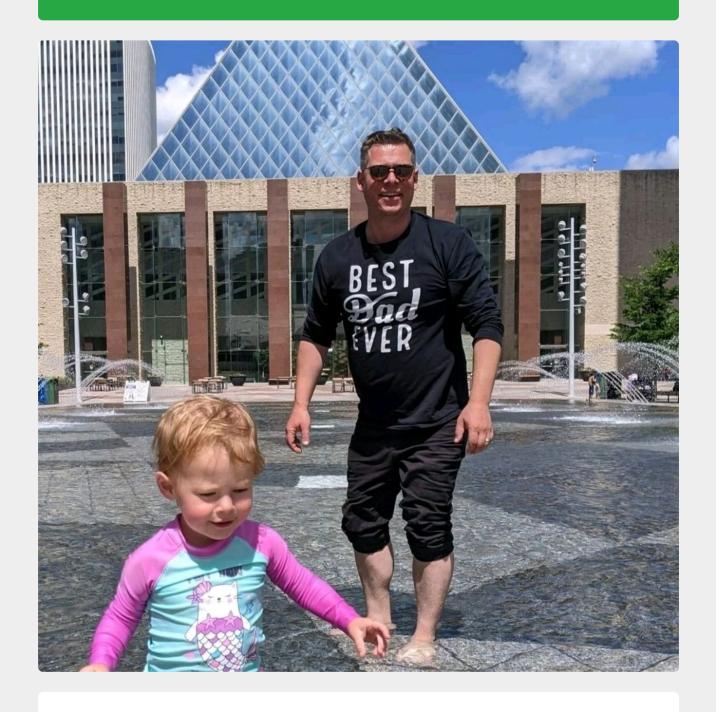


July 2021



Good Morning!

Not to scare you, but 2021 is now half over. What do you (still) want to accomplish this year?

In other news, the photo above was pulled from a colleague's LinkedIn post. The man spoke about spending part of Father's Day with his daughter at Sir Winston Churchill Square, a plaza outside Edmonton's City Hall.

In Edmonton, the decorative water feature was originally built in 1992 as both a fountain and a wading pool, complete with circulation pump and disinfection. In 2018, the city completed <u>a \$13m retrofit to increase turnover and decrease depth</u> in full awareness of just how many families descend on this location to cool off during the summer.

Other decorative water bodies such as the large fountain at Nathan Phillips Square (Toronto) or the Bellagio (Las Vegas) were never intended for human use. Up until very recently, few people considered the risk of drowning and fewer still the potential for entrapment and recreational water illnesses.

In the last year, we've seen a dramatic increase in the number of public works staff and decorative landscapers attend the Certified Pool Operator (CPO) class. Organizations are starting to proactively manage risk & liability, acknowledging what we've always known: when it gets hot, people will look for somewhere (anywhere!) to cool off.

If you know children climb into your decorative water fountain, reflecting pond, lagoon, etc. and it's not equipped with sufficient safety precautions, who's responsible? Do you understand the concept of Occupier's Liability?

You might roll your eyes at Rome implementing a ban and hefty fines on tourists for jumping into famous fountains (who does it hurt?), but regular communities in California are facing the same challenge. Does signage stating "No Swimming" or "Non-Potable Water" go far enough? Design elements such as dark finishes, shallow depth, and still water compound safety risks.

Many people don't think twice about dragging their fingers through a fountain, but throw in water fowl, animal feces, rotting plant matter, algae, etc. Do you really understand the potential risks of *not* treating your man-made water bodies like a swimming pool?

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Heartbreaking. Notice the details the pool contractor noticed when on site for the first that - perhaps - onsite staff had become accustomed to seeing every day.



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Two days before condo collapse, a pool contractor photographed this damage in garage

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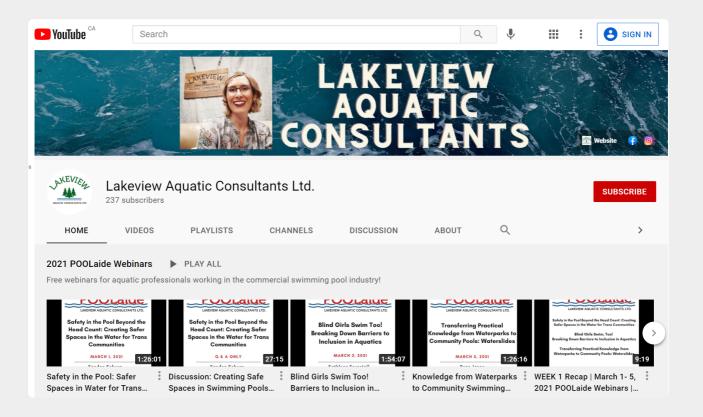
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July 19 - 22, 2021 10 am - 2 pm EST 100% Online



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2021 CPO Class Schedule

Instagram Posts







What I've been reading....

An effective consultant spends a lot of time reading and listening to

what's happening in the industry. Here's a few items that caught my attention -

The Plot to Kill the Olympics (Outside Online)

My Daughter Died at Summer Camp: Don't Make the Same Mistakes I Made (Scary Mommy)

Meet Australia's first all Afghan, all-female lifesaving team urging others to learn swimming

<u>Supreme Court win for college athletes in compensation case</u> (AP News)

International Swimmer's Alliance Officially Launches (SwimSwam)

Peloton: How the Bike Company Has Become a Global Content Brand (The Hollywood Reporter)

Lowering pH: No Problem (PWTAG)



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I ran to the laundry room.
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