



Fifteen years into our relationship, Timothy and I sat down with Siouxha Tokman, long time Maintenance Director at Superior Athletic Club in Medford, Oregon. What an interesting fellow he is! His father was a Sioux Indian captured by the French and taken to Bosnia. He escaped to Turkey and joined the Ottoman army and Siouxha was born. Siouxha is currently writing a book about this and we are keen to read it.

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But onto the pool. Siouxha has been with Superior Athletic Club since 1994 and has been CPO® certified since 1983 at the first ever CPO® course given in the USA. When he arrived at Superior they were using liquid chlorine and he remembers having to do lots of work mixing "that awfully smelly dangerous stuff" and ruining his clothes on a daily basis. He found that liquid chlorine messed up the water chemical balance continuously and therefore required a lot of work to maintain balance forcing him to add other chemicals daily.

"We didn't know any better at that point, as up until then, this was the way the pools were run!" He started hearing about salt and did some online research which led him to TMI, the only company working commercially on any scale. After getting great reviews from other TMI clients Superior installed their TMI Salt System in 2004.

We asked how he persuaded his boss, Co-Founder, Jim Kusnerik, to go for this new technology.

*"I convinced him by using economics. I told him that he would get his investment back because once the system is paid off, the operating costs are so low and **the pool will look like Jamaica!** At that stage, 2004, we were bragging that we had the only salt pool in the area! Just days ago the health inspector gave us another 'Excellent' rating and told us that **we have the 'very best pool in the valley!'**"*

It takes a good operator to keep the pool in that kind of condition but Siouxha told us that, **'the system is running like a Cadillac and it's a dream to run. In the beginning, it was a little complicated to get used to but within a month he, with TMI's remote support, had the system 'running itself'.**



**"All I have to do is add salt and clean probes. I do a lot less work. In the old days, we would have somebody checking on the equipment everyday, but these days I can go 3-5 days without having to go down there to check on the equipment."**

**"The members love it. The water clarity is speechless, and we have no chlorine odor. I have people complimenting water quality. The only thing they complain about is the temperature. A lot of people join our club because of the pool, so it is also a revenue generator for the club. We get at least 300 people per day in a 91,000 gallon pool and 130 of those are members of our swim team. As a coach, I talk to a lot of other facilities and I always tell them about our air and water quality with TMI."**

**"Thank you to the TMI Remote Support team for making our job easier!"**

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