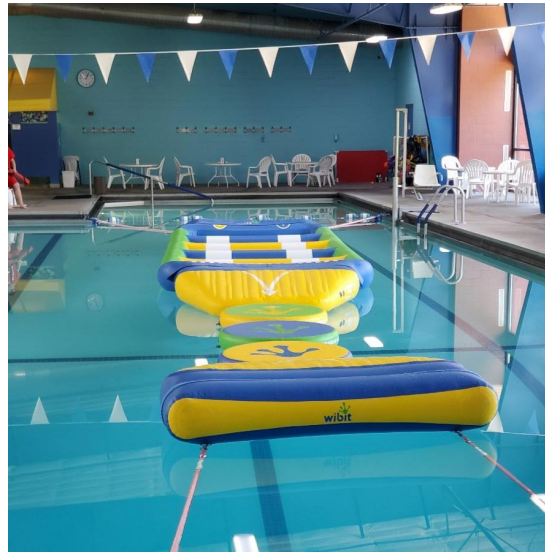


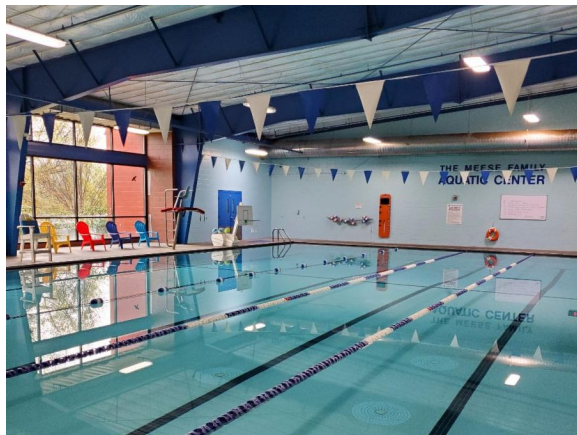


Interview with Judy Hawley, Aquatics Director and Rob Ginsbach, Maintenance

Ashland is a city in Jackson County, Oregon, which lies along Interstate 5 just North of the California border and near the south end of the Rogue Valley. It is both beautiful and quaint and is home of Southern Oregon University (SOU) and the Oregon Shakespeare Festival (OSF). These are important to Ashland's economy, which also depends on restaurants, galleries, and retail stores that cater to tourists. The Ashland Family YMCA services about one third of the population with many kids, adults and many seniors.



We sat down with Judy Hawley, Aquatics Director and Rob Ginsbach, Maintenance, to discuss their Aquatics division and their TMI equipment. Rob's first job after obtaining his degree in Health, PE and Recreation, was with the YMCA and he has been there since. He has gotten to know the TMI equipment very well since it was installed in 2020. Judy grew up with aquatics at Rogue Valley YMCA where her mom has been the aquatics director for the longest time. She has worked with traditional chlorine before and enjoys the different feeling of the TMI Salt Pure® water.



"I enjoy swimming in this water a lot more. I was honestly so used to swimming chlorine that I hardly noticed the chemicals until I swam in this pool. It is so much more comfortable than normal chlorine and I love that I don't smell like chlorine after I've been swimming!"

Rob also likes the fact that with their Salt Pure® pool he gets less itch and irritation but also appreciates that, from a maintenance perspective, it uses less chlorine and less acid.

"The combination of Salt Pure® and UV really makes a difference in water and air quality. Before installing this system we were dumping our spas more frequently and now we only need to dump our spas once per month. Our air quality has also greatly improved with UV. We used to get burning eyes and the air felt hot and heavy, and now we have a lot less of that odor in the air."

"I give the TMI equipment a 10 regarding use, maintenance and durability. I also give the TMI support team a 10, they are awesome to work with. I have nothing to say but good things. If I were to advise another Y, I would say TMI is the way to go. It would save you a lot of money and your bathers would be happier. We are very fortunate to have this system and it shows in the satisfaction of our members!"

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