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INSIGHTS

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Keeping up with Industry

ChemStation is very proud to serve as the primary supplier of industrial cleaning chemicals to a variety of industries. In fact, we (and our customers) oftentimes think of us as more of a partner than a supplier – learning about their industry, their special cleaning challenges, and keeping up with changes in manufacturing and equipment. Add to this our commitment to keeping the environment safe for present and future generations and staying current with federal and state regulations, and you can see that our dedication to serving markets is paramount.

In addition to subscribing to trade journals, attending conferences, and participating in industry trade shows, we are also contributing members of several national and international trade associations. Recently we added a new membership to our list, the International Bottled Water Association (IBWA). Other memberships include the Portable Sanitation Association International, Dairy Practices Council, International Sanitary Supply Association, U.S. Poultry and Egg Association, and the International Association for Food Protection, to name a few. ■



New NIOSH Publication

The National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH) has published a booklet for managers and supervisors in industries that involve the manual handling of containers. The publication, Ergonomic Guidelines for Manual Material Handling, offers suggestions to improve the handling of rectangular, square, and cylindrical containers, sacks, and bags.

Among other things, the booklet lists the benefits of improving work tasks. It also contains information on risk factors, types of ergonomic improvements, and effective training, and sets out a four-step proactive action plan. The plan helps companies identify problems, set priorities, make changes, and follow up.



The booklet also provides ways to improve lifting, lowering, filling, emptying, or carrying tasks by changing work practices and/or the use of equipment. Guidelines for safer work practices are also included.

And the booklet provides ideas for using equipment instead of manually handling individual containers. Guidelines for safer equipment are also included.

You can print your own copy of this publication by going to www.cdc.gov/niosh. Click on the Safety and Prevention tab; click on Ergonomics in the alphabetical listing; then scroll down the page to Ergonomics & Intervention. ■



July Bon Bons

In July we celebrate Cell Phone Courtesy Month; National Doghouse Repairs Month; Fireworks Safety Month; and Baked Bean, Hot Dog, and Ice Cream Month. The week of July 1-7 is Freedom from Fear of Speaking Week. Sports Cliché Week is observed July 15-21. On July 1, 1847, U.S. postage stamps went on sale for the first time. Independence Day is July 4 and two days after that (July 6) you can celebrate Take Your Webmaster to Lunch Day. It was July 13, 1898 when Guglielmo Marconi patented the radio. To the thanks and comfort of many, the air conditioner was invented on July 17, 1902. In 1934 the first Soap Box Derby was run in Dayton, Ohio. Annual events around the country allow boys and girls ages 8-17 to compete in homemade, nonmotorized cars for scholarships and other prizes. July 21 has been designated All-American Soap Box Derby Day. On July 26, 1775, Benjamin Franklin became the first Postmaster General. We round out the month by observing Take Your Houseplant for a Walk Day on July 27.



MSDSs...Defined

Need a one-page sheet that defines all 16 sections of our MSDSs? We have them available in English and Spanish. All you have to do is ask your ChemStation sales representative. ■

Protect your Vision

It only takes one accident to blind you. Protect your eyes on the job by wearing the proper protective eyewear, such as safety glasses or goggles. Remember to:

- Wear safety glasses that are comfortable and fit well
- Wear glasses or goggles that are properly ventilated for your particular task



Consider having your safety glasses or goggles made with your eyeglass prescription ■

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Notes on Speed

Compared to animals, humans are slow. So it's a good thing we have fast cars – cars like the 325-horsepower Porsche 997 driven by Duncan Ende in the Grand-Am Koni Challenge.

Behind the wheel, Ende can go from 0 to 60 mph in less than 4.5 seconds, accelerate to 160 mph in the straightaways, and hold his own against the world's fastest creatures. Without the car, he'd have no chance. Consider these key speeds:

23 mph – the fastest a really fast human being can run – and that's only for a short 100-meter burst.

30 mph – the sprinting speed of a half-ton grizzly bear. You cannot outrun this bear. Stay in the Porsche.

38 mph – the fastest a world-class Olympic cyclist can bike.

50 mph – the sprinting speed of a hungry lion.

70 mph – the sprinting speed of a cheetah, the world's fastest land animal (who can go from 0 to 70 in just three seconds).

217 mph – the record speed of the world's fastest animal, the peregrine falcon, which, when diving at prey from high above, tucks in its wings and becomes a bird missile. ■





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Soapbox

Opportunity is missed by most people because it is dressed in overalls and looks like work.

The advantage of a bad memory is that one enjoys several times the same good things for the first time.

History is the version of past events that people have decided to agree upon.

By the time we've made it, we've had it.

Winning may not be everything, but losing has little to recommend it.

Estimated amount of glucose used by an adult human brain each day, expressed in M&Ms: 250

Our national flower is the concrete cloverleaf.

How is it one careless match can start a forest fire, but it takes a whole box to start a campfire?

The best way to make a silk purse from a sow's ear is to start with a silk sow.

Maturity is only a short break in adolescence.

An intelligence test sometimes shows a man how smart he would have been not to have taken it.

People will buy anything that is one to a customer.

The trouble with jogging is that, by the time you realize you're not in shape for it, it's too far to walk back.

People will accept your ideas much more readily if you tell them Benjamin Franklin said it first.

Almost anything is easier to get into than out of.

The things that come to those who wait may be the things left over from those who got there first.

Computers will never replace books. You can't stand on a floppy disk or CD to reach a high shelf.