

IGWA Newsletter

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The quarterly newsletter of the Indiana Ground Water Association (IGWA)

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MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Dear Groundwater Professionals.

This year has gone by very quickly, and yet there is much to do.

My time as president, has been both fulfilling and eventful. The IGWA took the leap and hired The Corydon Group this year. They have been a great asset to us in the state house. Look for them at the convention this year.

Speaking of the convention, it's going to be in Indianapolis this year. (See the registration information pp. 3–5.) The convention committee has been busy planning and putting together a great convention, one you won't want to miss. We have panel discussions, great speakers, good food, and as always the board meeting and good fellowship. Be sure to make your reservations early.

We also held the second annual trapshoot to benefit the scholarship fund. Thanks to all who planned, attended, and sponsored it. Everyone had a good time and helped raise money.

Many have asked what, or how, can I help IGWA. One way — get involved. We need you. My year as president may be coming to an end, but that doesn't mean my ties to the association will end. We so much appreciate who have called or spoken out, or shared a compliment or concern this year. We as your board need that, but we need your time as well. Now, more than ever, is the time for you to step up and continue to support the association. As I said in the beginning of this letter, there is much to be done and we need you to accomplish it.

Keep drilling, be safe, and remember, it's ok to make money.

Mike Kaufman, Kaufman Well Drilling IGWA President

IGWA'S 2ND ANNUAL SCHOLARSHIP TRAP SHOOT EVENT

The Indiana Ground Water Association held it's second annual Scholarship Trap Shoot on Saturday, August 8th at the Kosko Conservation Club in Warsaw, Indiana.

Keith and Bob McGrew of McGrew Well Drilling did an outstanding job of coordinating this special fundraising event. Jeff Roussey of the Kosko Conservation Club was a great host and was well organized for the day's activities.

The trap shoot raised more than \$1,000 for the scholarship fund. We will also offer a "Silent Auction" to raise additional funds at the IGWA Bi-Annual Convention, November 9–10. If you would like to donate a silent auction item, please contact the IGWA office at 888.443.7330 or email ingroundwater@msn.com.

The DeHayes Group (Jeff Pikel) generously donated the Charles Dailey Shotgun that was raffled off. The proud winner of this beautiful gun was 13 year old, Colton Helvie of Helvie and Sons in Marion. (I'm convinced Colton is a future IGWA board president.) Colton's family and friends purchased several raffle tickets on his behalf. He skillfully hit his first targets! Way to go Colton!

Winners are:

First Place - Kenny Reed; Second Place - Randy Zartman; Third Place - Keith McGrew.

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John Baker, Dilden Bros. shows of his door prize.

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IGWA's 2nd Annual Trap Shoot Sponsors

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Brad Helvie and his son Colton Helvie (13 years old), who won the Charles Dailey Shotgun.

If you would like more information on the scholarship program, visit www.indianagroundwater.org and click on "Scholarship".



Participants competing in the IGWA Trap Shoot.

IGWA PRESENTS SCHOLARSHIP CHECKS TO ANNE KAUFMAN AND LUKE MADER

This year was the toughest year by far to determine who would be awarded IGWA scholarships. We received nine entries and they were each one deserving. We hope to raise more funds for 2010 to award more scholarships with larger amounts.



Anne Kaufman is the daughter of Mike and Shelly Kaufman, Kaufman Well Drilling in northeastern Indiana. Mike serves as current IGWA President, however, he does not serve on the Scholarship Committee. Anne Kaufman earned this scholarship based on her outstanding achievements and selfless dedication to serving others. Anne is attending Pur-

due University this fall for nursing. Over the past two years she has spent much time in the mission field of Haiti. During her time there, she observed and assisted in the delivery of babies.



Luke Mader is the son of Steve & Lynn Mader, Mader Well Drilling in Spencer Indiana. Luke is attending Rose-Hulman Institute of Technology this fall to study software engineering. Luke's impressive GPA and involvement in his high school Ambassador's program qualified him to win an IGWA scholarship.

We congratulate Anne and Luke on their hard work and commitment to achieving success in their chosen fields.

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Special negotiated rates may not be available after that date.

ADDITIONAL ACTIVITIES

- 50/50 RAFFLE
- SCHOLARSHIP SILENT AUCTION

A sample of some of the items include:

- 2 Colts Vs Titans Tickets on December 6, 2009 at 1:00 pm, sidelines (Provided by Kokomo Pump Supply.)
- 19" Philips Flat Screen TV and Garmin GPS System (Provided by Preferred Pump Indianapolis & Larwill.)
- Kobalt tool kit, Service tool box and Portable vise (Provided by RJM Sales & Marketing.)
- Longaberger 2009 Collection Snowflake Cookie Basket (Provided by Tri Valley Supply.)
- Additional items are coming in every day!
- DOOR PRIZES

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 9, 2009 (SHERATON INDIANAPOLIS HOTEL)

9:30 – 1:30 pm	Indiana State House Tour with Mike Leppert, The Corydon Group and IGWA's legislative consultant. Tour will depart from Laibe Corp., 1414 Bates St., Indianapolis, IN 46201 where the group will carpool.
2:00 – 3:00 pm	IGWA Board Meeting at the Sheraton Hotel
4:00 – 8:00 pm	Exhibitor set-up
7:00 – 10:00 pm	Hospitality Suite

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 10, 2009 (SHERATON INDIANAPOLIS HOTEL)

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7:00–9:00 am	Exhibitor set-up		
9:00 – 11:00 am	Indiana Drillers Exam — DNR		
9:00 – 9:45 am	Sand Control presented by Bob Lacey of Alloy Machine Works Covers the various steps required to determine the proper gravel pack mesh and screen slot, methods used to collect a sand sample, sieve analysis and gravel pack and screen design.		
9:45 – 10:30 am	VFD Pump Drives presented by Scott Mathews, Yaskawa Electric America. A basic overview of how VFDs operate; difference between VFD and VFDs with pump macros; applications using pump VFDs in water wall.		
10:30 am	Trade Show Opens — Scholarship Silent Auction Begins		
12:00 – 1:30 pm	Lunch Annual Membership Meeting Election of Officers and Board Members		
1:30 – 2:15 pm	Rig Maintenance — What do the Pros Recommend? Moderated by Fred McAninch, The Rig Doctors with guest panelists from Laibe Corp., Brandon Pickerel, Dave Estridge, and Mark Herbst & Steve Matic from Atlas Copco.		
2:15 - 3:00 pm	Motors & Meters presented by David Batdorff, Franklin Electric Explanation on how to operate meters. This is more of a 101 class on meter usage.		
3:00 – 3:45 pm	Trade Show		
4:00 – 5:30 pm	Continuing Education Panel and Legislative Update with Mike Leppert, The Corydon Group. Why is continuing education important? Bruce Moss of Moss Well Drilling will moderate a panel to include representation from states that have continuing education. We will invite participation from meeting attendees. This is a "don't miss" session!		
5:30 pm	Reception immediately followed by dinner at the hotel Special presentations of lifetime awards, scholarship recognition, past		

president's plaque and scholarship silent auction winners.

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*Special Bonus: The first 75 people to register by October 20, 2009 will be entered in a cash door prize to be awarded at the conclusion of the trade show—Must be present to win!!	drawing for \$200 !
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@ \$35 if after October 20, 2009	\$
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Manufacturing/Suppliers Member/Non-Member	
@ \$350 Full registration to all events – pre-registration required – not available at the de	oor \$
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Legislative Tour (Please indicate number of people attending on line.)	
I will attend the Legislative Tour (departs for Laibe Corporation, Monday, November 9)	\$ <u>N/C</u>
The registrations above INCLUDE break refreshments and lunch at the Sher	aton Hotel.
Reception/Banquet	
@ \$35 per person Members Reception and Banquet at Sheraton Hotel	\$
@ \$45 per person Non-members	\$
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EMISSIONS FIGHT IS SETTLED AS COMPROMISE LETS STATES REGULATE

By Justine Hyde, Free Press Washington Staff

California and 13 other states could regulate greenhouse gases from cars and trucks under rules the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency issued recently.

It's the final piece of the Obama administration's compromise with automakers to set a 35.5 m.p.g. average for new vehicles by 2016.

The move will have no immediate practical effect; automakers are expected to meet the California standards easily through the 2012 model year, and California officials have said they will let the Obama administration rules supersede state rules from 2012 through 2016. But the decision does settle a lengthy legal and environmental struggle, reversing the Bush administration's decision in March 2008 to block efforts by California and other states to regulate greenhouse gases, an inevitable byproduct of burning fuels in engines.

California officials, including Gov. Arnold

Schwarzenegger, have argued for years that California and other states needed the authority to start tackling global warming and chided automakers for dragging their feet.

The auto industry — including Detroit, Japanese and European automakers, along with dealers— had fought the California rules in court, saying they could lead to a patchwork of state-level limits on vehicle sales. All of the industry's court challenges failed.

President Obama had vowed as a candidate to reveres the waiver decision. EPA Administrator Lisa P. Jackson said the decision "put the law and science first."

Automakers said the decision would be welcome only as a step toward one national standard.

The compromise "moves us towards a policy that ensures that consumers in all 50 states have access to highly fuel-efficient

vehicles at an affordable price," said Dave McCurdy, president of the Alliance of Automobile Manufacturers.

"We are hopeful the granting of this waiver will not undermine the enormous efforts put forth to create the national program."

Additional Notes from Fred McAninch, The Rig Doctor's

I want to let the members know that our industry has received a compromise/reprieve effective July 1, 2009.

It has been given back to the states to regulate it. It is not going away!!! Make sure if you buy any equipment no matter how small it has a tier three(3) engine on it! This will keep you safe when it comes into compliance.

I am on the D.O.T. Truck/Emissions Committee and will keep you posted.





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NEW WATER SYSTEMS COUNCIL INFORMATIONAL SHEETS TO PROTECT GROUNDWATER NOW AVAILABLE

Washington, DC (August 20, 2009) — Three new wellcare® informational sheets on agricultural best management practices to protect groundwater are now available through Water Systems Council. The first sheet in the series — "Protecting Groundwater through Agricultural Best Management Practices" — discusses potential groundwater contaminants that may be found in agricultural areas, addresses soil type and water quality, and provides an overview of best management practices to protect groundwater from agricultural practices. Other sheets in this series include "Proper Use and Disposal of Pesticides and Fertilizers" (created in April of 2007) and two new sheets for 2009: "Protecting Groundwater by Managing Animal Waste" and "Protecting Groundwater through Proper Petroleum Storage Practices on the Farm."

wellcare® information sheets are intended to educate well owners, home buyers, realtors, mortgage companies and others on topics such as well maintenance, well water testing and treatment, water quality, well components and potential ground water contaminants. There are 80 information sheets currently available. They can be downloaded FREE from the WSC website at www. watersystemscouncil.org, or can be obtained through the wellcare® hotline at 888-395-1033.

WSC is a national nonprofit organization dedicated to promoting the wider use of wells as modern and affordable safe drinking water systems and to protecting ground water resources nationwide. It is the only national organization solely focused on individual water wells and other private well-based water systems.

ABOUT THE COMPLIANCE AND TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

The Compliance and Technical Assistance Program (CTAP) is Indiana's small business assistance program, statutorily authorized to operate under Indiana Code (IC) 13-28-1, 13-28-3, and 13-28-5-4. CTAP is a non-regulatory program that provides free, confidential compliance and technical assistance to regulated entities.

CTAP was established to help Indiana businesses achieve compliance with environmental regulations. They are experts on air, water, and waste regulations, and knowledgeable about current environmental issues and new technologies. They can assess the environmental compliance of your entire facility or can help you address concerns about a particular process or regulation. CTAP also identify pollution prevention opportunities that can move your business out of the regulatory loop or move you into a less burdensome regulatory process.

In addition to on-site consultations, CTAP provides: Permit application assistance; training and workshops; online resources; general information assistance; and CTAP Bulletin (new) sent via email.

The CTAP Quality Assurance Guarantee means that IDEM stands behind CTAP's compliance assistance. The guarantee assures customers that IDEM will not issue a Notice of Violation assessing a gravity-based penalty against a regulated entity that has sought out, received, and relied upon CTAP's written compliance assistance prior to the alleged violation.

CTAP staff are highly-skilled environmental professionals dedicated to helping small businesses understand and comply with environmental regulations. They are available weekdays to answer your questions or to schedule a consultation. CTAP's main line is (800) 988-7901 (instate only) or (317) 232-8172.

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GEOTHERMAL PROJECT BEGINS AT BALL STATE

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With a tradition of innovation, Ball State's next bold step will create the nation's largest closed geothermal energy system, benefiting both the economy and the environment.

Going geothermal will have an immediate impact. Spanning five years, it will create construction jobs, and manufacturers of supplies will see a boost in production. Once fully implemented, this pioneering project will save the university \$2 million a year in operating costs and replace four aging coal-fired boilers. Cutting our carbon footprint roughly in half, this full-scale university-wide system will heat and cool more than 45 buildings and span the entire 660-acre campus.

To create the system, Ball State will have approximately 4,100 boreholes drilled in borehole fields around campus, but you won't notice them after construction is complete. Each well will be covered and the area restored to its previous use, retaining campus beauty. Learn more about how geothermal energy works.

Geothermal technology is only one example of Ball State's longtime commitment to the environment. Their Council on the Environment, the longest-standing green committee in Indiana higher education, won U.S. Senator Richard Lugar's August 2007 Energy Patriot Award. And Ball State welcomed Lugar back to campus on May 9. After speaking at Commencement, he participated in the groundbreaking ceremony by controlling a drilling machine that created the first well.

What components comprise the system?

The system is comprised of four key components: boreholes, energy stations, hot and cold district loops of water-filled pipes, and building interfaces.

Borehole Fields

Borehole fields will be spaced around campus. The fields will be a series of closed pipes that run vertically in the ground. Ball State's loop will consist of approximately 4,100 boreholes, 400 to 500 feet deep. The boreholes will be 4 to 5 inches in diameter. Pipe pairs in the hole are joined with a U-shaped cross connector at the bottom

of the hole, allowing water to circulate through the sealed pipe. The borehole is commonly filled with a grout surrounding the pipe to provide a good thermal connection to the surrounding soil or rock to maximize the transfer of heat.

Ball State's closed loop system will circulate water. In colder climates, similar systems require the use of an antifreeze such as propylene glycol, denatured alcohol, or methanol. Ball State's system will not require any antifreeze and will use only fresh water. There is no direct interaction between the water in the system and the Earth, only heat transfer across the pipe.

Energy Stations

Energy stations will be the workhorse of the system. They will exchange the heat and dispatch it from where it originates to where it is needed. Two energy stations will each have a closed loop of refrigerant. The refrigerant is pumped through a vapor-compression refrigeration cycle that moves heat from a cooler area to a warmer one. Closed loops with water pass through the chiller and run throughout campus.

Here, the heat pulled from or sunk into the ground will be transferred, or exchanged with two district loops that run throughout campus: a cold water loop (constantly 42 degrees) and a hot water loop (constantly 170 degrees). The direction of transfer depends on the season and whether heat is being pulled from the ground or sunk into it.

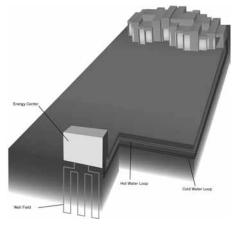
District Loops

Hot and cold water is routed through campus via two district loops, one for hot water and one for cold water. Much of the piping needed for this system already exists as part of the university's current heating and cooling system.

Building Interface

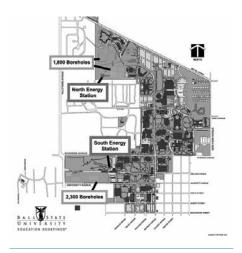
The district loop will supply buildings' demand for heating or cooling. The hot and cold pipes pass through heat exchangers (similar to a radiator in a car) and fans blow the correct temperature into buildings or offices as called for by the occupants.

NOTE: IGWA has three members working on this project: Dilden Brothers, Inc.,



How Ball State's Geothermal System Works

At three energy centers on campus, the heat pulled from the ground or returned to the ground will be transferred, or enhanced with heat pump chillers that will be connected to two district loops that run through campus. One is a cold water loop and the second is a hot water loop. Inside buildings heat exchangers and fans will delver the temperature desired by it occupants.



Moss Well Drilling and Ortman Well Drilling. There are still many unknowns on how a project of this size will impact groundwater in the area. The IGWA will keep you updated as the project progresses.

To view the project via webcam, visit www.ballstatewebcam.com select "campus webcams" and then under "NEW: Geothermal Drilling and Construction click on View 1 to see our IGWA members at work. View 2 is an out-of-state company working on the ball field area.

USDA ANNOUNCES MORE WATER IMPROVEMENT FUNDING

WASHINGTON, August 17, 2009 — Agriculture Secretary Tom Vilsack today announced the selection of \$172.5 million in water and environmental projects that are being funded immediately through the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA). The projects will help provide safe drinking water and improved wastewater treatment for rural communities in 24 states. To date, USDA has announced \$1.64 billion for water and environmental project loans and grants, benefiting people throughout the country.

"The Recovery Act is putting people to work right now while making our communities safer and improving the quality of life for many years to come," Vilsack said. "The 39 ARRA water and wastewater projects we are announcing today support the Obama administration's goal to rebuild and revitalize the nation's rural infrastructure."

In Indiana, the following communities are receiving funds:

- Town of Macy \$514,000 loan and \$1,539,700 grant
- Town of Nashville \$2,545,000 loan and \$752,700 grant
- Patoka Lake Regional Water & Sewer District \$8,207,000 loan

The AARA funding announced today is being administered by USDA Rural Development's Water and Environmental Program. The program provides loans and grants to ensure that the necessary investments are made in water and wastewater infrastructure to deliver safe drinking water and protect the environment in rural areas.

More information about USDA Rural Development can be found at www.rurdev.usda.gov. Funding of individual recipients is contingent upon their meeting the terms of the loan or grant agreement.



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IDEM WANTS TO SAMPLE WATER FROM LOCAL WELLS

By VINCE LUECKE, Editor, Perry County News

The Indiana Department of Environmental Management is conducting a statewide groundwater quality survey and is looking for residential well owners in Perry County to participate. IDEM is in the first year of sampling, and hopes to revisit each of the sites annually, said Kris Vance, coordinator for Lincoln Hills Rural Conservation and Development.

The sampling won't cost homeowners anything and they'll receive copies of the results. Individual results will be kept confidential with collected data helping to gauge the quality of groundwater in the area

Anyone interested in taking part is asked to call the Lincoln Hills RC&D office at (812) 649-9136, Ext 5 to request an application. Homeowners or renters who would like to receive an electronic copy of the application can e-mail the request with the subject "groundwater quality survey application request" to rtravis@idem.in.gov.

Once IDEM receives the application, they will review the site information. If selected, IDEM will confirm the use of each residential well for their survey. Questions about the program can be directed to Rebecca Travis at (317) 308-3329.

WELL WATER SURVEY TARGETS 2 SOUTHERN INDIANA COUNTIES

State officials are looking for homeowners in two southern Indiana counties to take part in a statewide groundwater quality survey.

For its survey, the state needs residents of Monroe and Lawrence counties who get their drinking water from residential wells that draw from the water table beneath their homes.

The water sampling by the Indiana Department of Environmental Management will be free of charge to residents, who will receive confidential copies of the test results. The state agency hopes to sample from the sites annually for the groundwater survey.

Interested residents should contact the Monroe County Soil & Water Conservation District, by calling 812-349-2046 or visiting the district's website at: www.monroe.iaswcd.org.



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Submit by October 20, 2009

If you are interested or would like to nominate someone to serve on the IGWA board of directors, please submit your nominations by October 20th, 2009. The 2009-2010 officers and board will be elected during the Annual Membership meeting at 12 noon, Tuesday, November 10th during the bi-annual convention at the Sheraton Hotel, Keystone at the Crossing, Indianapolis.

Note: Please request the approval of the person you wish to nominate. Nominees Name

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LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

James R. Hopkins, Laibe Corporation and IGWA Legislative Committee

The IGWA Legislative Committee has been hard at work for the security and safety of our industry! Thanks to the IGWA Board of Directors, we are proud to say there has been more than \$25,000 in donations and pledges raised to support the continuing education and licensing efforts. These funds were donated by IGWA contractor members, suppliers, manufacturers and many others. Thank you IGWA Board of Directors for your fund raising efforts and to the donors making our continuing education and licensing efforts possible!

These funds are already being put to good use. Mike Leppert, with The Corydon Group, was retained as the IGWA's legislative advocate at the State House. Mike has been hard at work laying the ground work for an audience with a Congressional Study Committee. Thanks to The Corydon

WELCOME NEW IGWA MEMBERS

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Brian Schramm 133 Enterprise St., Evansville, WI 53536 608-882-2709 Group, we have now been granted that audience Wednesday October 7th! A special delegation of Indiana contractors and an NGWA representative will be joining Mike Leppert in presenting our reasoning and the need for continuing education and licensing for the State of Indiana. This delegation includes the following persons: Wayne Findlay, Mike Kaufman, Beehler Keiser, Keith McGrew, Bruce Moss, Kim Wheeler along with Kevin McCray, the Executive Director of the NGWA. The Legislative Committee and the aforementioned persons are working on the presentation that will be given to the congressional legislative committee on October 7th. What and how the information is presented to the Congressional Study Committee is very important. We have reached out to various IGWA contractor members to request examples of where continuing education and licensing would have been beneficial and worked to protect the consumer and ensure proper installation, repair, etc. of our industry's products and services. If you have documented examples that you would like included, please email the information to Donna Sheets. We are hopeful that this and other data will convince the Congres-

sional Study Committee that we deserve the opportunity to take the request of continuing education and licensing to the next level in January 2010.

The NGWA is interested and willing to help us! Kevin McCray, the Executive Director of the NGWA, will be joining the IGWA special delegation on October 7th. Kevin is working hand in hand with the Legislative Committee in preparing for the study committee. Thank you Kevin!

Fund raising "shortfall"... We have had great success in raising funds for the continuing education and licensing effort but we are still short of our goals and long-term needs. In an effort to raise additional funds, the Legislative Committee along with Donna Sheets, are working on an application for a \$25,000 NGWA Ground Water Advocacy Grant. The NGWA offers grants for the support of continuing education and licensing efforts. We hope that we will be successful in receiving the NGWA Advocacy Grant.

Despite the funds we have raised and the pending NGWA Grant, we still need your help! We are aware that many of us have



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had a hard year and business is slower. Any amount of contribution you can make would be greatly appreciated. It takes all of us working together to make our efforts become a reality for the IGWA and its member professionals!

The IGWA Convention is right around the corner! On November 9th and 10th there are a few opportunities to understand and/ or provide input on the continuing education and licensing efforts (see list below). You are all invited to the legislative sessions that will be available at the convention.

Legislative Seminars at the IGWA Bi-Annual Convention

Monday, November 9, 2009 9:30 am -1:30 pm Indiana State House Tour led by Mike Leppert, The Corydon Group, departing from Laibe Corp.

Tuesday, November 10, 2009 4:00–5:30 pm Continuing Education Panel and Legislative Update

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CALENDAR

November 2009

9 - 10 IGWA Bi-Annual Convention and Annual Meeting
Indiana drilling exam and great seminars at the Sheraton Hotel, Indianapolis, IN. Election of new board with board meeting to follow convention. See registration information on pages 3 - 5.

11 - 12 OWWA (Ohio) Convention Cuyoga Falls, OH

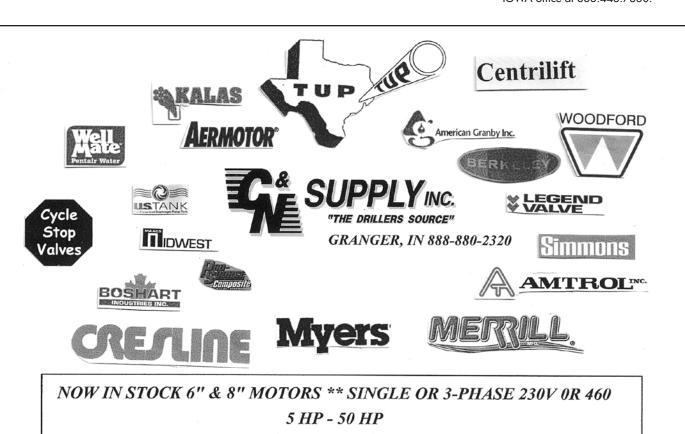
December 2009

- 7 9 Indiana Rural Water Assn.
 Winter Conference, Columbus, IN
- 9 13 NGWA Ground Water Expo New Orleans, LA
- 31 Indiana Driller's License Renewal
 Date (All licenses expire on December
 31st of the year they are issued. If you
 lapse more than one year, you must retake the exam.)

February 2010

21–23 NGWA 2010 Legislative Conference, Washington, DC

Each year we request two IGWA representatives to volunteer (one person is usually someone who has attended previously). If budget allows, the IGWA pays for program registration, air fare and hotel (usually a shared room). If you are interested, please contact the IGWA office at 888 443 7330





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LEGISLATIVE CALL FOR ACTION

On September 15th we emailed and faxed our members asking for the following:

Brief, but documented (pictures, articles, etc.) instances of potential health related situations created by inexperienced and uninformed service providers that work in and around the water well industry.

If you receive/read this request prior to10/5/09, please send this information to Donna Sheets, IGWA by Monday, 10/5/09 via email to ingroundwater@msn.com or mail to: IGWA, 7915 S. Emerson Ave., #132, Indianapolis, IN 46237.

Questions: Call any member of the Legislative Committee