

IGWA Newsletter

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

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Letter from the President

Well, with much hard work and perseverance, another great convention is in the books! I would like to thank everyone who attended and made it a memorable event.

Our 2020 convention was a great success for both attendees and exhibitors. We had strong attendance on both sides, good educational sessions, and an excellent trade show. I believe we have proven you can still have a good time while staying safe in our current circumstances.

The trade show is always a favorite, and, once again, it did not disappoint. To introduce some friendly competition, we also added a live auction this year.

Again, those on the IGWA board and myself would like to thank everyone who attended. And most of all, everyone stay safe out there!

And Stay Classy, Indiana!

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We appreciate the patience and flexibility as we had to social distance and spend extra time making sure the rooms were sanitized for the sessions.

Our education this year was also approved by Illinois and Ohio for their license requirements — helping those of you who drill in those states get all your classes done in one spot at one time. We plan to do this going forward for all our classes for Illinois and Ohio.



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Mudslayer Portable mud management system



2021 — HERE WE COME!

We are planning to have classes, a field day, and a social outing in 2021. Watch the website and spring newsletter for more information. We will be watching the situation with the virus and hope to have a class in March or April in Greenwood.

We are looking for a field day opportunity anytime from May to August.

We are planning a Top Golf social event in late September or early October. Everyone who attended this in 2019 had a blast! You don't need to know how to golf to have a great time. Our sponsors came up with some fantastic giveaways as well for attendees to enjoy.

If you have a request for a speaker for our upcoming classes, please email the office as soon as possible so we can try to secure that speaker.

2020 Convention Wrap Up

DONORS

Our conventions cannot happen without the support and help of our manufacturers or suppliers. Please make sure to thank yours when you see them.

We were able to raise \$1,280.00 at our convention this year for the scholarship! Thanks to the donations below!

Remember you can donate online anytime of the year at the Community Foundation of Howard County Indiana. The link is: https://app.etapestry.com/hosted/CommunityFoundationofHoward/OnlineDonation.html

Make sure to put "IGWA Joseph L. Armstrong Family in Business Scholarship" in the comments section.

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Bylaw changes were made and updated at the 2020 convention. The changes are:

- There will be biennial membership meetings going forward in even years to coincide with the convention.
- Directors will now serve four years instead of three. Terms will end in the biennial meeting years.

Updated bylaws are in the Members Only section of the website.

In Memoriam **Delbert Hacker**

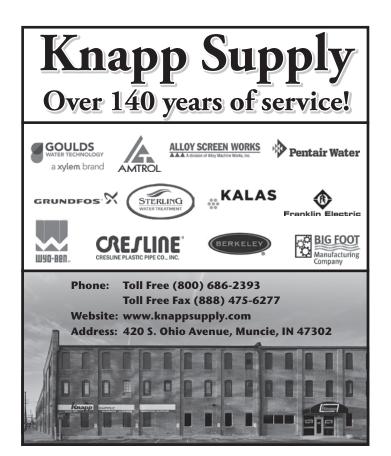
We are sad to announce that Delbert Hacker, founder of Hacker Plumbing and Drilling in Vincennes, Indiana, passed away on October 22, 2020. Delbert was a long-time member of the IGWA and served as its president in 1977.



Delbert's son, Tim told our president, Mark Ortman: "Let them know he loved this industry and all the lifelong friends we have all made. He and I and our families have always enjoyed any well driller event."

If you are inclined, the Hacker family respectfully request donations be made to St. John Lutheran Maintenance Fund (707 N 8th St, Vincennes, IN 47591) as that was Delbert's area of expertise and passion.

Our condolences go out to the entire Hacker family.



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NEW SCHOLARSHIP DEADLINES AND PROCEDURES

Don't forget the new scholarship deadlines and procedures. This will be a last reminder as this will be the last newsletter before the scholarship deadline.

Scholarship Application Dates: October 22, 2020 – February 1, 2021

Please note: The process has a much earlier deadline than in the past. **The new application deadline is February 1, 2021.** There is a link on our website to access the foundation website or you may use this link below to go directly to the Scholarship page and then follow the instructions for applying.

http://howardclintoncarrollscholars.communityforce.com/

Scholarship Fund

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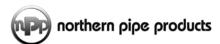
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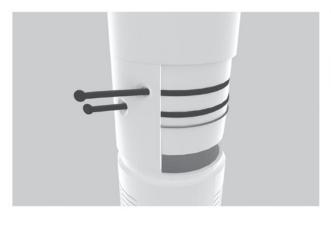


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November 30: IGWA Membership Dues Renewal Deadline

December 31: License renewal through DNR. End of two education

cycles. CEU hours needed to renew license.

March/

April 2021: Greenwood Class

Summer 2021: Field Day

Fall 2021: Top Golf Social Event



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