



Indiana Water Quality Association

Newsletter

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WE LOOK FORWARD TO WORKING WITH YOU

As your new Association staff, we want to thank the IWQA Board of Directors for giving us this opportunity.

We are coming in with enthusiasm and ideas, but we also know that we need to better understand the industry.

Our plans are to stop by and meet with several of you at your place of business. In this way, we can get a grasp of your business and the daily issues that you face.

As I am sure you have noticed, we are located in Ohio; however, with Dayton being so geographically close, we have been actively involved for many years in Indiana and have many business ties throughout the state. We also administer the Ohio Water Quality Association, With this commonality of purpose, we hope to bring economics of scale to both IWQA and OWQA which will allow us to offer the memberships of both organizations more services.

The Association staff members are listed along with their primary responsibilities. However, we have good communication between staff so that everyone has a general understanding of Association functions and service. So, if you are unable to get in touch with the primary person you want to speak to, never hesitate to ask your question of any of us and we will do our best to help.

We hope that you will always be ready to give us feedback. We want to know if we are not doing something that we should be; or something as well as we should. The only way we can really improve is to hear from you.

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Indianapolis, Indiana drinking water filled with pollutants: Ranks 90 out of 100 in new study

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Nervous about drinking tap water in Indianapolis, IN? A new study from the Environmental Working Group states that there could be good reason to be. Of the 100 "best and worst" cities listed on the studies site, Indianapolis ranks number 90.

Today the Environmental Working Group released findings of a multi-year study on tap water for major cities nationwide. The study tested cities with a population of over 250,000 people and checked for the amount of chemicals present in the water since 2004. Other factors were considered, including the percentage of chemicals present as well as each individual pollutants highest average amount present.

According to the EWG, Indianapolis' Water system serves 805,341 residents. In the study conducted, 25 total contaminants were found in the drinking water, including 11 chemicals that exceed health guideline. Two of these dangerous chemicals included arsenic and chloroform. Of the 11 dangerous chemicals, two not only exceeded health guidelines, but also exceeded the legal limit set forth by the EWG.

Other major cities near Indianapolis, IN tended to fare better in the study, including Fort Wayne, IN, who serves 250,000 residents with tap water, with a ranking of 43 overall. With a total of 19 contaminants found, 10 of the pollutants exceeded health limits, while one exceeded legal limits.

Chicago, IL ranked 34 out of 100. The number one major metropolitan city, with the best tap water listed was Arlington, TX, while the worst was Pensacola, FL.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

IWQA CONVENTION

JUNE 23-24, 2010

Grand Wayne Convention Center - Fort Wayne, IN



The Indiana Water Quality Association Annual Convention is scheduled for June 23-24, 2010 in Fort Wayne at the beautiful Grand Wayne Convention Center.

The convention hotel will be the Hilton Fort Wayne, which is directly connected to the convention center. The convention center is also next to the home of the Fort Wayne TinCaps baseball, Parkview Field.



Your Board of Directors is planning for a full schedule of seminars and social functions, in addition to a complete industry trade show.

Mark the dates on your calendar. More information on the Convention will be coming soon. This will be a great chance to learn about your industry through educational seminars, the trade show, and a unique networking opportunity with peers. We will also be inviting the members from the Michigan and Ohio Water Quality Associations to join us at this event.





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SAVE THE DATE!

WATER QUALITY ASSOCIATION

The Water Opportunity Show

March 9 - March 12, 2010

**Orange County Convention Center (South Building, Hall B)
Orlando, Florida USA**

Keynote #1 – Tim Miles - The Pendulum Marketing in 2010 and Beyond

Keynote #2 – Panel Discussion - How to Effectively Market the 2009 Softener Benefit Study

Keynote #3 (Technical) – Marc Edwards, PhD - Hidden Dangers in Residential Plumbing

Education Topics (Industrial, Commercial, & Residential)

- Latest Research
- Innovative Technologies
- Equipment Troubleshooting & Maintenance
- Emerging Issues
- Sales and Marketing
- System Design

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