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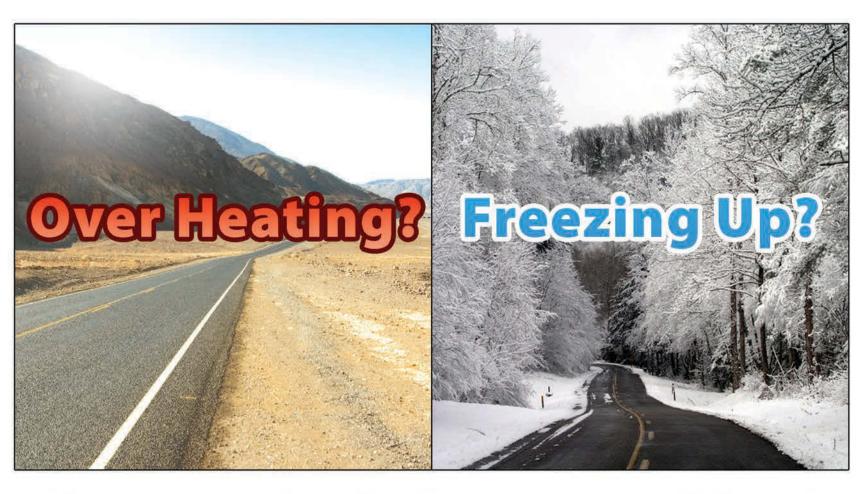


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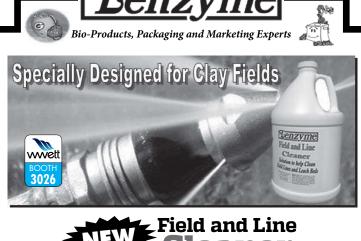
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Doing Double Duty

2015 Classy Truck of the Year swaps its vacuum tank for a dump box to provide awesome job site versatility By Jim Kneiszel, Editor

any years before Larry Maznek started his septic service business in 2011, he had a vision for a truck that could provide flexible service as a construction site material hauler and a vacuum unit to pump wastewater. Customizing a 2005 Peterbilt 378 roll-off container rig, with the help of truckbuilder Amthor International, turned that dream into reality.

The silver and white Pete, fitted with a 4,100-gallon steel vacuum tank and National Vacuum Equipment Challenger NVE866 pump has been a workhorse for the Bedford, New Hampshire, operator as he built the successful Maznek Septic Service. And the good-looking truck with the ingenious conversion was chosen as *Pumper* magazine's Classy Truck of the Year for 2015.

First featured last January as our Classy Truck of the Month, the rig was selected from a top-notch group of trucks for the annual award that lands the winner on the cover of this WWETT Show issue of *Pumper*. Maznek was thrilled to hear about the honor, and it will make his trip to Indianapolis for the WWETT Show later this month all the more exciting.

"I've put time and effort into getting this truck up and running. I'm proud of my truck, and to get this award, it's just the cherry on top of the ice cream for me," Maznek said when informed of the Classy Truck honor.

FROM CONCEPT TO COMPLETION

Maznek, 56, worked as a union carpenter foreman for 30 years, and as part of his construction job, he obtained an onsite installers license in

1990. He yearned to start his own one-man installing and pumping business after retiring from the trades, and thought the best way to meet a changing workload was to build a truck that could dump trench rock or spoils one day and pump tanks the next.

He approached Butch and Brian Amthor with his idea, and was excited to hear they'd already converted a few roll-off trucks for pumping. He bought the truck

and delivered it to Amthor, where the steel tank and sled were fabricated and the pump was installed. The truck employs quick-connect fittings for the slacked suction hose between the rail-mounted pump and vacuum tank and for tank-mounted lighting to conveniently swap the unit for a 20-yard container.

The truck serves as a pumper most of the time. But when the work demands it, Maznek drives to a container rental company, drops the tank on the ground, picks up a container and goes. The process takes about 25 minutes and turns the pumper into a dumper.

"Since the economy turned around, dump trucks have been at a pre-



mium, and it's hard to find guys to run for you," Maznek explains. "Unless you want to buy product from their yards, they don't want to tie their trucks up."

HEAVY-DUTY

Truck of the Year. The rig was built out

by Amthor International with a pump

from National Vacuum Equipment.

(Photo by Oliver Parini)

Maznek needs the dump truck functionality several times a year to haul stone to a job site for a system install or haul out spoils that don't fit on small lots where he's repairing or replacing a system. Because he doesn't know exactly when or for how long he'll need a dump truck, it's easier to use his own equipment.

Weight or lifting power aren't an issue for the Pete, powered by a 385 hp Cat C13 ACERT RTO1409 power plant tied to an 8LL Eaton transmission and carrying a 50,000-pound K-Pac Equipment hoist. It capably carries eigenvalues are supported by a 1850 power plant tied to an extra capably carries eigenvalues are supported by a 1850 power plant tied to an extra capably carries eigenvalue are supported by a 1850 power plant tied to an extra capably carries eigenvalue are supported by a 1850 power plant tied to an extra capably carries eigenvalue are supported by a 1850 power plant tied to an extra capably carries eigenvalue are supported by a 1850 power plant tied to an extra capably carries eigenvalue are supported by a 1850 power plant tied to an extra capably carries eigenvalue are supported by a 1850 power plant tied to an extra capably carries eigenvalue are supported by a 1850 power plant tied to an extra capably carries eigenvalue are supported by a 1850 power plant tied to an extra capably carries eigenvalue are supported by a 1850 power plant tied to an extra capably carries eigenvalue are supported by a 1850 power plant tied to an extra capably carries eigenvalue are supported by a 1850 power plant tied to an extra capably carries eigenvalue are supported by a 1850 power plant tied to an extra capably carries eigenvalue are supported by a 1850 power plant tied to an extra capably carries eigenvalue are supported by a 1850 power plant tied to an extra capably carries eigenvalue are supported by a 1850 power plant tied to an extra capably carries eigenvalue are supported by a 1850 power plant tied to an extra capably carries eigenvalue are supported by a 1850 power plant tied to an extra capably carries eigenvalue are supported by a 1850 power plant tied to an extra capably carries eigenvalue are supported by a 1850 power plant tied to an extra capably carries eigenvalue are supported by a 1850 power plant tied to an extra capably carries eigenvalue are supported by a 1850 power plant tied to an extra capably

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ther a loaded vacuum tank or container filled with rock. And the hoist frequently comes in handy to empty stubborn sand and grit from the tank, making other pumpers in line at the treatment plant green with envy.

"I lift it up 4 or 5 feet and the guys say, 'Hey, that's cheating!' I get gravity going for me a little bit better than most of the guys can do. It helps to get out the sand where it seems to collect on me." A wide range of tilting from 0 to 45 degrees can also help in the field, where Maznek has found a slight adjustment depending on the grade where he's parked can help load a few more gallons in the tank.

The truck has dual PTOs for the lift and the pump, and the tank sled locks into place up front mimicking how the truck carries containers. To secure the loaded tank further, Amthor provided 4-inch-wide tie-down straps - two on each side - evenly spaced along the frame rail to minimize any bounce while running down the road. Quick-connects will also be added to a heated valve system Maznek is installing this winter to make it easier to run in cold weather.

A RELIABLE RIG

The truck cab is basic and the paint is the original silver color. Simple tank graphics from Universal Sign Works, aluminum wheels and chrome accents, and bright red wheel hubs give the truck an understated look. Maznek purposely left graphics off the doors to keep the appearance simple and clean. The truck currently has 311,000 miles and is kept up with twice-a-year dealer service, weekly washes using the onboard Power Eagle Cleaning Systems pressure washer, and annual waxing.

"Knock on wood, she's been stellar. There have been no issues with the engine, the transmission or any of the drivetrain," Maznek says. "All in all she's a great truck."



The truck carries useful tools, including a Crust Buster tank agitator and a Sludge Judge. He uses both with every service, the sludge tube to show customers the amount of solids to be removed and the agitator to demonstrate that he thoroughly scours the tank.

"(The Crust Buster) does a better job (than back-flushing) at getting as much sludge out as I can. When you can show concrete on the bottom of the tank, that helps," he says.

Maznek is busiest pumping during the spring and fall, when he empties four to six tanks per day, six days a week. Installing picks up in June, July and August, when he's down to pumping eight to ten tanks a week. Maznek hopes to add another driver and another truck as the business continues to

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Larry Maznek

grow. This time he will buy a dedicated vacuum truck for pumping and keep the versatile Peterbilt to pump, haul materials and pull equipment trailers. He says the Peterbilt could also be used to help other companies deliver and pick up containers, but he's keeping busy enough on the septic work.

INDUSTRY FRIENDS

Maznek receives support in the office from his girlfriend, Patrice Adams, who helps customers set up appointments and does the company's marketing. He also has maintained great relationships with other pump-

ing and installing businesses, which he calls "co-petitors" rather than competitors. He counts his friend and mentor Dave Joubert among them. The owner of nearby DJ Septic and a fellow member of the New Hampshire Association of Septage Haulers (NHASH) helped him get started in the business.

"The companies around here are very easy to work with and that's why I call them co-petitors. People try to help each other out," Maznek says. "Some other industries are so cutthroat. The industry is tough enough. You don't need people working against you. We're always sharing ideas and I'm happy with this industry in that respect. There's plenty of work to go around."

A septic service truck should convey the professional image a service contractor wants to build and maintain. Maznek hopes he's hit the mark with his Classy Truck. And the image extends to wearing clean uniforms and spending the time to educate customers about their septic systems.

"Dave Joubert has told me he considers himself an ecologist. We're trying to keep systems clean and running properly so people can reuse the water. We're helping them recycle," Maznek says. "That stuck in my mind. That's my line of professionalism and I do take it seriously.

"I keep the rig clean and running properly and hopefully that comes through. If you can't keep your truck clean, how are you going to clean someone's septic tank?"

ON WITH THE SHOW

I hope you have a chance to congratulate Maznek in person at the WWETT Show. I also invite you to seek me out in Indy. I will be attending the Wednesday and Thursday Kickoff Party networking events from 5-8 p.m. at Lucas Oil Stadium, as well as checking out the exhibits with you at the Indiana Convention Center. I want to meet you and learn more about your pumping business. I'm looking for your input on the editorial content of this magazine. I'm also looking for good candidates for our regular contractor profile features. Who knows, you and your crew might just land on the cover of *Pumper* like Maznek's truck! ■



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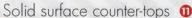
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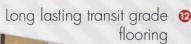


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A CHANGE IN FOCUS

Dick got started in the business when he purchased the company from the Hewitt family who had founded it in 1927. His background was raising pigs. "I knew nothing about this business except it was a necessity that probably would survive any downturns," he says. He laughs when he recalls he only put \$500 down. "Nowadays we can spend twice that on just one flotation tire on one of these trucks."

He started off with two employees and two trucks and has grown every year since. And he's done it without a sales force. "We just try to give top service consistently, no excuses, and we have a great team of people."

In the beginning, the work was about 90 percent residential and 10 percent commercial. But gradually Dick began focusing more on commercial, and today those figures are reversed. "It just evolved," he says. "As your overhead gets higher, you have to have the commercial because you couldn't af-

ford to pay the benefit packages I do with just residential."

However, he's not about to abandon residential customers, some of whom have been with the company for over 50 years. "I have a great deal of satisfaction with

"I have a great deal of satisfaction with long-term customers," he says. Lara adds it rounds out the hours. "A lot of commercial you can only do in the morning or at night, so it's nice to have the residential during the day," she says.

THE FRONT END

The move to commercial has also given the company a more diversified customer base, which Dick says offers protection from economic downturns and keeps the crew busy year-round. Besides

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— Dick Mottolo



Technician John Perry cleans out a catch basin using an Aquatech B-10 combination unit.

pumping septic tanks, they clean catch basins, sediment pits and storm drains. They also work on car washes, parking garage drains and commercial swimming pool filters.

"And we do a lot of maintenance on lift stations and often work with various mechanics, plumbers, engineers, general contractors, municipalities and other pumpers," Dick says. They are also licensed to do septic system inspections.

The regulatory landscape for storm drains has changed drastically over the years, Dick says, increasing their work in that area. "You've got new regulations all the time," he says, "especially with new construction where they have to have a storm management plan in place. We make up a custom form for each location and number all the structures, and every quarter go in and check each one to make sure there's no issues, and then clean them once a year. We've always done it, but now we're more focused on it than ever."

A fair amount of their work is emergencies, but they always try to turn that into recurring maintenance work orders. "We want to keep the customer out of having a backup and keep them in compliance with regula-

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tions," Dick says. Lara adds it's also a good way to grow your business: "If companies can create a recurring work order or reminder for every emergency, they have a better chance of increasing the lifetime value of the customer – but you have to be proactive about it."

Collecting grease was always a small part of Dick's business, but it now accounts for half their work. "We do hundreds of res-

taurants, but also colleges, hospitals, food manufacturers, hotels, malls," Dick says – anything from 10 gallons to 20,000. The industry has changed considerably. "Back in the '70s, they just assigned you a manhole and there was no documentation," he says.

When regulations came in requiring disposal at treatment plants, Dick says it became difficult to find places that would take grease, a problem he finally solved when he came across an opportunity in 2002 to buy a small grease-processing facility. He made major improvements and now runs it as a separate business, Northeast Environmental Processing. The facility removes water from food wastewater and sends the residual material to farm digesters, making electricity. That's another change he's seen in the industry – "Now food waste recycling is very vogue," he says.

MACHINES AND TRUCKS

Equipment includes a 2010 Bobcat S205 skid-steer loader, US Jetting 4018 portable jetters, Spartan Tool cameras, and RIDGID cameras and locators.

The fleet includes eight 1985 to 2006 Mack vacuum trucks with 4,000and 5,000-gallon tanks (half are aluminum, half steel) and National Vacuum Meeting up at a job site, Dick and Lara Mottolo talk about how their day is going. Equipment 866 pumps, most from Andert, TSI Tank Services and Longhorn Tank & Trailer.

For smaller jobs and low-entry situations, they have two Ford F-350 vacuum trucks (2015 and 2016) with 525-gallon steel Presvac tanks, one with a Jurop/Chandler pump, the other Masport; one Ford F-550 with a 1,200-gal-

lon aluminum tank and Masport pump built out by Arthur Custom Tank; and two Ford F-350s with trailered US Jetting jetters (300 and 600 gallons).

For larger projects, they have three 9,000-gallon aluminum vacuum tank trailers built by Arthur Custom Tank and a 1969 Fruehauf 8,500-gallon aluminum transport pulled by Mack tractors (a 1993 R713 and a 2006 CHN613), a 2008 Aquatech B-10 (10-yard) and a 2000 Vactor 2112 (12-yard).

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Never misses a WWETT Show

The Water & Wastewater Equipment, Treatment & Transport (WWETT) Show, previously called the Pumper & Cleaner Expo, didn't exist in 1972 when Dick Mottolo got started in the business with his company Service Pumping & Drain Co. Inc., in North Reading, Massachusetts. But when that first Pumper & Cleaner Expo was announced 36 years ago, he jumped at the chance and hasn't missed one since. He's watched it evolve from a small gathering to one of the largest trade shows in the country.

"Years ago if you saw one or two new ideas, that was something," he says. "Now you can't get halfway down one of these aisles and you'll see one or two things you hadn't seen before." As a result, it never gets old and he always learns something.

"Like any industry, you have to stay on top, you have to know what's going on. You can only learn so much in your own backyard." The WWETT Show also helped to elevate the professionalism in the industry, he says.

Dick brings a different employee with him each year, and this year it'll be General Manager John Nicholas. "He went many years ago, so he'll be quite impressed with the increased size and the number of vendors and the different kinds of vendors," he says.

Another change is the growing number of women who attend the show. In 2015, Dick's daughter Lara Mottolo, the company's vice president, added her own touch. "I initiated a panel to showcase a cross section of women in the wastewater industry," she says. Her goal was to

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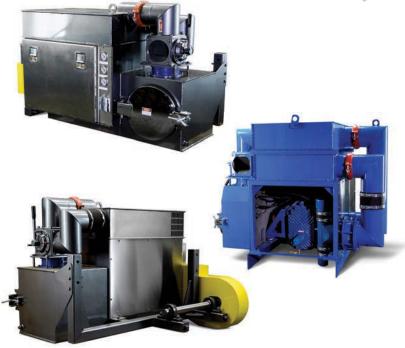
highlight how much value women bring to their companies and the industry and to encourage them to take on more management roles.

Since women often have to juggle multiple roles in their lives, they've learned to multitask, focus, delegate and create strong teams. She cites her own situation having two small children at home. "It's made me a better manager and has actually given us the ability to grow," she says. She'll be leading a similar panel at the 2016 WWETT Show, on Education Day, Feb. 17.

Dick will be there. "I look forward to going to the show every year," he says. "I never get tired of it."

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To maintain the fleet. Dick works with two independent mechanics who come in at night and on weekends. "Safety is paramount," he says. "We do whatever it takes to keep them in good shape." He also likes to have spare equipment. "I usually have one or two extra trucks ready to go in case a truck is down. That way my drivers always have a day's work and we don't have to make excuses to our customers."

THE BACK END

A solid back office is required to ensure the front end operates as efficiently and effectively as possible, Dick says, and it has to keep

up with changes and growth. Lara has worked hard to improve operations in this area.

After working 10 years on the administrative side of theater management after getting a degree from Fordham University, Lara was ready to make a change and in 2006 joined her father, a move that surprised both of them. She began familiarizing herself with every back office function, eventually working her way up to general manager, then vice president handling operations, marketing, financial and back-end functions.

One major contribution was taking a deep dive into technology — a real game changer for the company, Dick says. "When I first started I had a beeper, and then I went to a pay phone and put my quarters in and called the answering service. Now everything's on the cloud."

About eight years ago the company installed Fleetmatics REVEAL vehicle-tracking software and in 2015 added Fleetmatics WORK, a cloud-based customer relations software and computerized dispatching program that integrates with QuickBooks accounting software. Drivers access schedules and route information with an app on their Samsung Galaxy Note smartphones. Dick says the value of software like this can't be overestimated.

"Your key to profitability is efficient dispatching, efficient routing because traffic is a major issue, and efficient handling of the customers so they feel like they know you, you know them and you know what their needs are," he says.

Lara also implemented an Internet-based phone system and refreshed the website created by Anthony and his wife, Mary. She says technology in a large company is a necessity, but cautions that it doesn't run on autopilot. "You really do need to have someone in the office who has some computer knowledge and is willing to take the time to learn and work with these programs."

THE PEOPLE

As critical as technology is to a business, Dick and Lara never lose sight of the fact that employees are their best asset. "Without good people, you can't provide the high level of service," Dick says. "And you can't afford turnover either. It takes a couple years to train a guy. And customers like to see familiar faces."

Besides good pay and benefits, Lara says Dick treats people fairly and respectfully. "They're our eyes and ears — they're the ones representing the



Below: Technician Alair Santos prepares to dump a load from a 9,000-gallon Arthur Custom Tank trailer at the Service Pumping & Drain greaseprocessing facility, Northeast Environmental Processing, in Lawrence, Massachusetts.





Plant Operator Mike Fraser monitors operations at the Service Pumping & Drain greaseprocessing facility, Northeast Environmental Processing. company. They all know they're valued." A number of employees have been with the company 10 and 20 years.

Dick credits Lara with upgrading company handbooks, formalizing the hiring pro-

cess, and professionalizing the human resources function. "Years ago, management was by the seat of the pants," he says. "But as you get a little larger, you really do have to manage."

THE FUTURE

The mom-and-pop business Dick bought more than 40 years ago looks nothing like the sophisticated commercial operation he has today. Even Lara has seen big changes in just the last 10 years — customers are more savvy, they expect faster turnaround and 24-hour accessibility, and there's

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At 73, Dick says he still has his commercial driver's license and could jump in a truck if he had to, but he mostly looks out for the big picture. He has no plans to re-

Technician John Perry (left) works an Aquatech B-10 combination unit, while Andy Cathcart operates a Vactor 2112 combination unit. The pair team up to clean a catch basin.

tire but is comfortable he's got a great team, led by Lara and 27-year veteran General Manager John Nicholas.

Lara's grateful to be there. "I wasn't expecting to like it as much as I do, but it's a very challenging industry, it's fast-paced and it's constantly changing." She's also proud she and Dick have developed a great working relationship. "Family businesses can be so difficult, and a lot of it really does come down to communication and respect and treating each other as professionals."

Lara says the future will be more of the same — continue to grow, evolve and take on new challenges. "Our foot is still very much on the gas pedal," she says. ■

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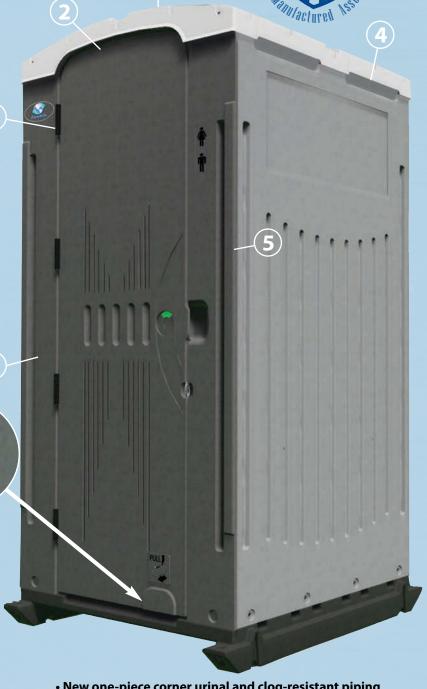
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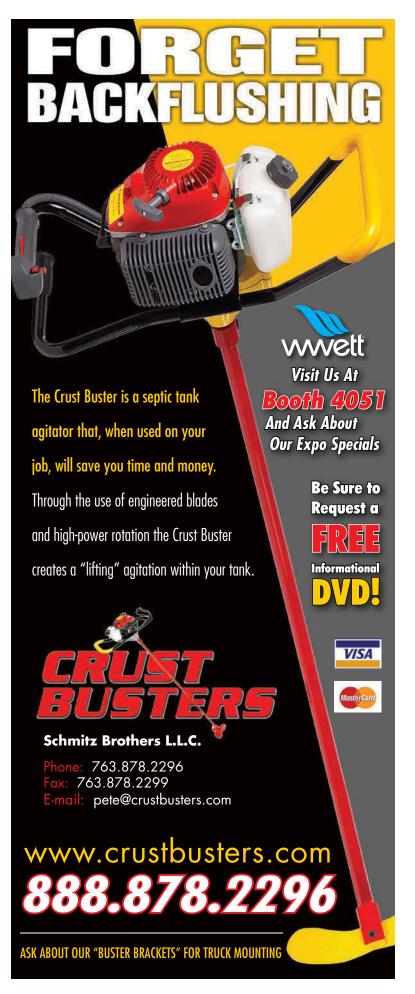
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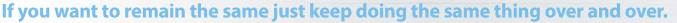
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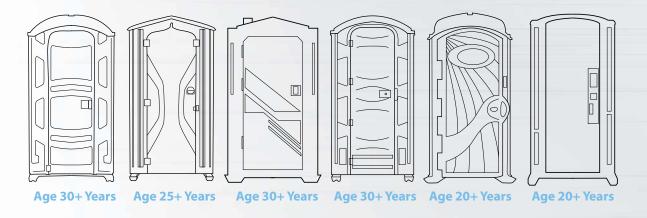




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Protecting the Industry and Property Rights in North Carolina

Pumpers and installers work closely with the state Legislature to promote efficient wastewater regulations and a cleaner environment By Doug Day

he North Carolina Septic Tank Association formed in 1990 to provide opportunities for all onsite wastewater professionals in the state, not just members. To attract voting members who would add value, membership dues were set relatively high at \$300 a year, according to President Jerry Pearce.

One benefit of joining is free training for members and their employees. It has helped attract 300 members, and the group has succeeded in spreading the benefits across the entire industry with affordable training for non-members and lobbying that has helped change the regulatory environment.

Has your strategy of high dues worked as planned?

Pearce: It works pretty well for us. Training is our largest funding apparatus. We can offer continuing education hours at a lower rate than the state or university. We're not driven strictly by membership dollars for our lobbying, outreach, and five or six annual college scholarships. We've awarded almost \$40,000 in scholarships to students going on to universities and community colleges.



Jerry Pearce

In 2006, we were the primary driver for the certification of onsite installers and time-of-sale inspectors. Occupational licensure is always a tough sale, but our argument prevailed and passed by an overwhelming majority. That led to the need for continuing education, and the association soon became the source for most of the training for certified onsite professionals in North Carolina. The requirement varies, but it's around six hours annually.

We train about 1,500 people a year at our annual convention and at 10 regional sites across the state during the year. We provide about 50 to 75 percent of the required training for pumpers, installers, time-of-sale inspectors, soil scientists, and certified operators. It is free for members, and we extend that free training to registered sanitarians for the counties. We wanted to get regulators into the same class, listening to the same speakers as the people who are being regulated.

We also offer hands-on training for contractors who want to help groups like Habitat for Humanity and the Wounded Warriors Project. They get credit for installing a system under our supervision. That's working well for those who learn that way, the people who can sit on a backhoe for 12 hours a day but can't sit in a classroom for two hours.

How do you manage all that training?

Pearce: We get great help from Emerald Enterprises, which keeps the records, plans the classes, and keeps the association current with our paperwork. Our executive director and members write the curriculum with help from other stakeholders. The North Carolina Department of Labor does all of our safety training, and we bring in the Highway Patrol Motor Carrier enforcement group to do training. Our vendors go out of their way to provide staff people for presentations.

What does your membership look like?

Pearce: Voting membership is limited to tank manufacturers, installers and pumpers. We have other active, non-voting members from licensed soil scientists, professional engineers, manufacturers of components or systems, and local health department regulators.

We just have to be prepared in the private sector, and we have to make sure that the regulatory framework enables the greatest opportunities for our members, the onsite wastewater industry, and the environment.

- Jerry Pearce

Lobbying is another primary focus of your group. What does that entail?

Pearce: Doug Lassiter, our executive director, is also our lobbyist. He works with the Legislature, state agencies and local environmental health agencies to promote our industry and help develop legislation to expand our opportunities and protect from unwarranted regulations. He also works with issues that concern related industries, like stormwater reuse, solid waste and land application.

Our legislative success started in the late 1990s when the Legislature demanded that all potential water polluters come up with improvements for their industry. While the

state suggested a study, we suggested requiring effluent filters and access devices on septic tanks. The Legislature liked giving homeowners something that could be of immediate benefit, and the requirement was put in place the next year.

Our most recent legislative action was the Regulatory Reform Act of 2015 that passed (last) September, trying to make rules easier to understand

and implement and trying to eliminate some that might be outdated. We promoted the idea of having an option for owners and developers to get approval of onsite wastewater systems.

Historically, the sole authority for approving systems was with the local health departments with review by the state. We promoted the Engineer Option Permit. The owner can contract with a qualified professional engineer to design the system, licensed soil scientists to evaluate the site, and a certified installer to build the engineered system. The system design has to be as stringent as the standards of the local health department.

While it's more expensive, the turnaround time is much quicker, so that can change the bottom line, especially for a property developer. There are permits that have been waiting for approval for more than 1 1/2 years. This option will cut that at least in half.

I still think 85 percent of permits will be written by the local health department, but we'll have this extra tool. We promoted this as the stability of the three-legged stool — protecting public health, the environment, and the owner's economic investment. The Legislature liked the idea and included it in the bill, along with a few other of our ideas. Of the 71-page bill, 19 pages dealt with onsite wastewater, including the engineer option and some language to clarify rules, things that will immediately affect the industry.

Another bill, two years ago, required agencies to review and eliminate rules every five years. The On-Site Water Protection Branch is now looking at rules that haven't been revised in probably 12 years. We could have waited for that review, but a lot of us participated the last time they tried about 10 years ago. In the end, they decided to not move forward with the rule changes. So we took advantage of the Reform Act.

We are participating in the review, trying to bring common sense and effectiveness to the task and make sure the rules do not establish unnecessary hurdles that add costs. We attempt to work with the regulators but recognize that we may be approaching necessary changes from different directions. It's our job to make sure the needs of the private sector are not overlooked. We just have to be prepared in the private sector, and we have to make sure that the regulatory framework enables the greatest opportunities for our members, the onsite wastewater industry, and the environment.

What's your vision of the future?

Pearce: We did a survey of our certified installers a few years ago. The average age was 57. We're talking with NC State University about

promoting and improving the soils science department. Part of that will be to make sure we have college students getting certified training. We have in place in our association the ability for certified installers to bring sons and daughters to courses with them and make it easier to transfer ownership of the business to provide that next generation of onsite wastewater professionals.

There are new technologies, especially in Europe where they have more population density and fewer natural resources, so hopefully we'll be able to bring some of that technology over here. We want to protect our industry. If that means adapting, then we adapt. ■

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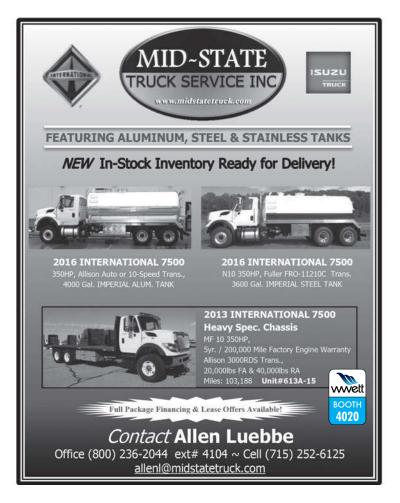
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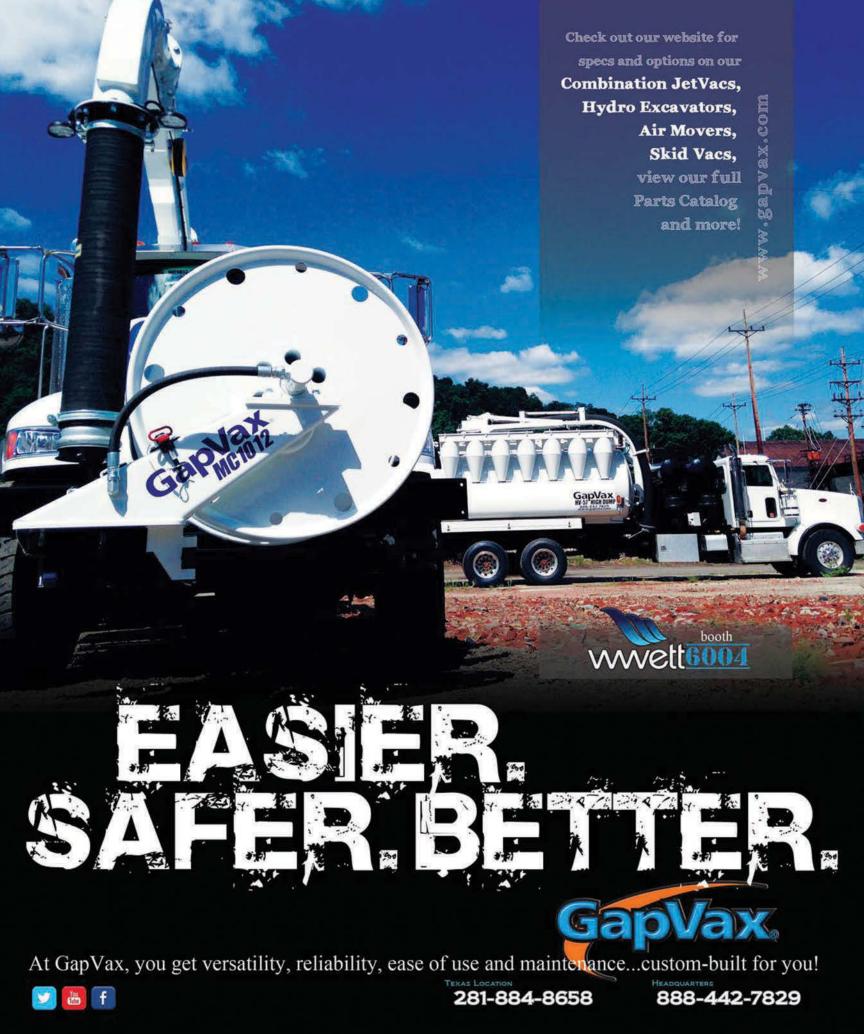
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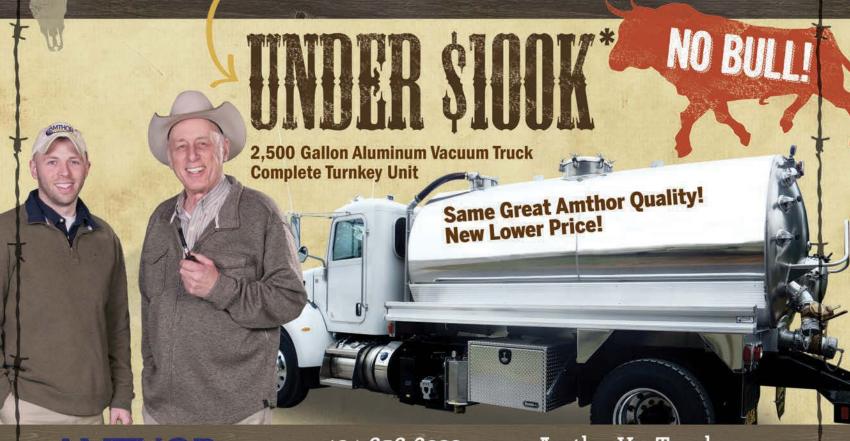


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Divincenzo and his father-in-law, Sam Busa, bought Stewart's Septic in 1987 to bring in supplementary revenue to Busa's recession-stung construction business. Soon they saw the potential of the wastewater industry, and Divincenzo quit his day job as a pipefitter and became a full-time pumper. The results soon eclipsed the duo's modest expectations.

GROWTH TRAJECTORY

Divincenzo bought out Busa in 2001 and now owns the company with his wife, Jane, the majority owner who handles the company's finances. The couple's two daughters, Tania and Angela, also work at Stewart's.

Today, Stewart's employs 25 people and runs 13 vacuum trucks across New England. Residential septic tank pumping and septic system repairs, maintenance and inspections generate about 60 percent of the company's sales. The balance comes

from commercial accounts, which includes both grease trap and septic pumping, he says.

Divincenzo started out with four vacuum trucks and a service van, but he quickly expanded. In 1990, he purchased Kelleher Sewer Service in Salem, New Hampshire, followed by the acquisition of Andover Septic Service in Andover, Massachusetts. "One guy was retiring and the other guy was moving to Florida," he says. "It made sense geographically because both companies were within about an 8-mile radius from our company."

Along with the acquisitions, Divincenzo built a reputation for going the extra mile for customers. The result? A lot of word-of-mouth referrals.

"When people call, we accommodate them, even if it's 2 a.m. We grew the business by doing good work - we're not afraid to get our hands dirty, that's for sure. Even today, I'm not afraid to jump on a truck and help out."

TAKING CONTROL OF TREATMENT

While the acquisitions fueled growth, building a treatment plant for septic waste in 1994 proved to be a game-changer, reducing fuel and other transportation-related costs, as well as decreasing

biofuel production.



disposal fees. Lower operating costs, in turn, enabled Divincenzo to charge lower rates than competitors, which helped him gain market share. And rising revenues provided capital to invest in newer, more productive equipment, he says.

Stewart's is permitted to process

100,000 gallons of septage per day. Here's how the system works: The septage first goes through a Muffin Monster, a sewage and sludge grinder manufactured by JWC Environmental. Then the waste travels by gravity through five

> 40,000-gallon concrete settling tanks; the tanks are about 14 feet wide, 8 feet deep and 30 feet long. "We bought land across the street from our facility that used to belong to a tannery," Divincenzo explains. "The tannery had an industrial waste treatment system that we converted into a septic waste treatment system." Solids settle to the bottom of the tanks, which get pumped out periodically; Stewart's hauls the sludge to a sewage treatment center. The effluent left after the solids settle out drains into a municipal sewer system, he says.

The Stewart's Septic Service crew

includes, from left, Tim Ago, Celso

Jimenez, Jake Bohanon, Frankie

Melendez, Arthur Cookson, Bruce

Divincenzo, Brian Farmer, Angela

Divincenzo and Tania Divincenzo.

Merrill, John Divincenzo, Jane

"I was pretty confident it was going to work out," say Divincenzo, who estimated he invested roughly \$1.4 million in both the septage- and grease-processing systems. "A lot of bigger companies don't want anything to do with treatment facilities. But I try to build my company around treatment plants.

"It's just more sensible to me," he continues. "It makes us more efficient and it's a big money-saver. We reached a point where if we had trucks coming in after 5 p.m., there wasn't anywhere open to dump the waste. So the trucks would sit full overnight and we'd have to start the day by going on a dumping run, which wasted time."

Above: John Divincenzo shows a sample of recovered grease sold for use in

> Left: Divincenzo inspects the drum shaker that's part of the company's greaserecovery system.

GREASE IS THE WORD

Increased efficiencies and financial benefits also prompted the company to develop the grease-processing system in 2002. On one hand, it was

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Pumper profits from WWETT Show, education seminars

Every year, John Divincenzo relies on a secret weapon that stokes his enthusiasm for the industry, rewards employees, improves operations and introduces the latest and greatest in equipment: the Water & Wastewater Equipment, Treatment & Transport (WWETT) Show.

"The show is my salvation — I love going," says the owner of Stewart's Septic Service in Bradford, Massachusetts. "I don't get many days off, so when I get down there it's so great to relax and talk to people. ... We've developed very strong relationships with other pumpers and meet them for dinner.

"It's also great to see all the new products," he continues. "Every year we bring something new home with us, whether it's just a small jetting nozzle or a whole jetting unit."

Divincenzo typically rewards several deserving employees by taking them with him to the WWETT Show. He says it's invaluable for those employees to meet fellow pumpers, talk to vendors and see new products that

can help improve efficiency and productivity. "It's a great way to thank them for what they do for us," he says. "We pay them for their time there and cover all their expenses. Everyone I've brought to the show talks about it all the time after we go back home. It really recharges their batteries."

The veteran operator also benefits from the Pumper & Cleaner Profit Series. Divincenzo's daughter Angela, the company's dispatcher, and Ashley Cronin, assistant to Jane Divincenzo, attended the three-day Profit Series in Florida in March 2015 and returned home with several ideas to improve operations.

One topic covered was the value of company uniforms.

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— John Divincenzo

Stewart's drivers have uniforms, but they had stopped wearing them consistently. So the company started enforcing its uniform policy more stringently, Angela Divincenzo says. Uniforms make drivers look more professional; that, in turn, can lead to repeat business as well as allow pumpers to better justify their rates because professionalism creates a higher perceived value. "It helps if someone pulls up at a home and looks clean and is driving a clean truck," she notes. "And the uniforms also help with repeat business because new customers see the company's name on more than just the truck."

The women picked up valuable pointers about what to look for in a software program that could help the company more efficiently computerize its operations. "The seminars were very useful," she says. "They helped me realize there are many simple things we can change to make our company operate better."



Technician Arthur Cookson loads RIDGID drain cleaning equipment on a truck while Jake Bohanon works with a Hot Jet USA jetter in the background.

becoming more and more difficult to find treatment facilities that would accept grease trap waste. And on the other side of the equation, why pay to get rid of the waste when someone will pay you for producing a refined version of it? It was, as he notes, a no-brainer.

Here's how the grease-processing system works: In the first step, the waste passes through a shaker, made by Derrick Corporation. Typically, shakers are used at oil and gas drilling sites to separate things like drill cuttings and fluids, but Divincenzo adapted a unit to separate grease from solids. "It basically does the same thing to grease trap waste that the Muffin Monster does for septic waste," he says.

Next, the grease goes into a heated 6,000-gallon tank that's heated to about 150 degrees by a Smith Cast Iron Boiler. This separates the oils from water and food particles. Then it passes through a vibratory shaker, made by Kason Corporation, which removes even finer particles. From there, the waste goes into a drum shaker, which removes even finer particles.

In the last phase, the waste passes through stainless steel filters and into a centrifuge machine made by Alfa Laval. Any remaining solids drop into a bin, wastewater goes into the sewer line, and the processed grease — known as yellow or brown grease — is stored in a heated 22,000-gallon steel frac tank made by Dragon Products Ltd. It's later sold for roughly 60 to 80 cents a gallon to a South Carolina company that uses it to make biofuel, Divincenzo says.

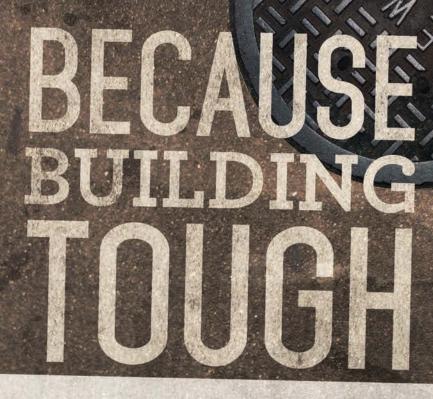
"We don't make a fortune on it, but I'd rather get paid for it than pay to get rid of it," he explains. "It also saves us a lot of money." The system can process about 6,000 gallons of grease trap waste and produce from 1,600 to 1,800 gallons of brown/yellow grease daily.

IN THE GARAGE

The company's fleet of equipment has grown substantially since its early days. To clean septic tanks, the company runs 11 vacuum trucks built on Mack, Peterbilt, Freightliner and International chassis. The trucks carry tanks (mostly aluminum), ranging from 2,000 to 7,500 gallons, and pumps from Jurop/Chandler or Battioni (National Vacuum Equipment). Most of the trucks were self-fabricated by Stewart's; one was built by House of Imports. The self-fabricated rigs include tanks made by Progress Tank and Keith Huber Corp. Two of the vacuum trucks are equipped with a Mustang self-fabricated, portable waterjetting unit, Divincenzo says.

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Conde ProVac units (Westmoor Ltd.), and an International box truck that carries a small hydroexcavating unit with a 1,700 cfm blower from Roots Systems Ltd. and jetter from Mustang (2,000 psi at 3.5 gpm).

For general service vehicles, the company owns two Ford pickup trucks with utility bodies made by The Reading Group LLC; a Chevrolet pickup; and a 2005 Freightliner truck outfitted with built-in toolboxes and a 5,000-pound-capacity crane made by Iowa Mold Tooling Co. Inc.

To haul large amounts of waste more cost-effectively (primarily taking sludge from the company's treatment plant to municipal treatment facilities), the company relies on one 8,000-gallon and one 9,000-gallon tanker trail-

John Divincenzo shows

John Divincenzo shows a scale model of the new treatment facility he hopes to build.

er (one from Arthur Custom Tank), and two Peterbilt 379 tractors pull the tankers. The company also owns three trailer-mounted jetters, two built by

John Bean (owned by Durand-Wayland Inc.) and one by Hot Jet USA.

LOOKING AHEAD

Divincenzo anticipates more growth for Stewart's in the coming years. He expects that further acquisitions will be a key part of that growth. Right now, the company finds itself in a position that vexes many businesses: Despite consistent revenue growth, profit margins remain level.

"If you think of it as a seesaw, right now we're staying right in the middle, with no movement up or down," he says. "The only way for us to grow now is to cut costs and grow the business at the same time, because the profits seem to stay the same even though we keep adding more guys and trucks."

As such, the company has plans to buy two companies in Maine, as well as a small treatment plant. "We already service that area, but we want to do it better," he says. "(Buying the companies) will save us a tremendous amount of money."

"Currently, we go all the way up there with empty trucks and come back full ... so we're not producing (revenue) on the way up," he explains. "If things work out the way I expect, we'll be able to bring a full truck up there, dump waste and then make service calls while working our way back down here, and the trucks will always arrive with full loads."

In the meanwhile, Divincenzo, 60, says the company overall is busier than it's ever been and he has no plans to retire anytime soon.

"Some day," he says of retirement. "But right now I'm still healthy enough to keep moving. We've got a 42-foot RV ready for retirement, but we haven't talked too seriously about it. Maybe the kids can take over the business some day and send us a check every week. But in the meanwhile, we'll keep plugging away. I love what I do." ■



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Federal Clean Water Act Updates Remain Stalled

By Doug Day

he U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's updated Clean Water Act rules were blocked by a federal appeals court. A federal judge in North Dakota had stayed the rules, but that case applied to just 13 states. That order was extended to all states by the 6th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals in Cincinnati. In a 2-1 ruling, the court stated, "A stay temporarily silences the whirlwind of confusion that springs from uncertainty about the requirements of the new rules and whether they will survive legal testing."

The EPA says the new rules apply to only 3 percent more waterways, but opponents claim the effects will be much broader. The agency began updating the rules in reaction to two U.S. Supreme Court rulings that raised questions about which waterways, small streams and wetlands were covered by the federal law.

Also, the U.S. Senate voted to block the rule under the Congressional Review Act. President Obama has said he would veto the resolution if it reaches his desk. It passed on a 55-43 vote just a day after the Senate bill requiring the EPA to rewrite the rule died; needing 60 votes to end debate on the bill, it failed to advance on a 57-41 vote.

Nation

The U.S. Federal Trade Commission has finalized a consent order requiring Nice-Pak Products to stop advertising that its moist tissue and cloth products are flushable or are safe for sewer and septic systems. The FTC said the company must show that the products, sold under several different brand names, will "disperse in a sufficiently short amount of time after flushing to prevent clogging and/or damage to household plumbing, sewage lines, septic systems, and other standard wastewater treatment equipment."

Last May, the FTC accused Nice-Pak of misrepresentation for claiming that certain wipes were safe for sewer and septic systems, break apart shortly after being flushed, and are safe to flush. Its ruling explains that any substantiation from the company "must be based on the expertise of professionals in the relevant area and have been conducted and evaluated in an objective manner by qualified persons, using procedures generally accepted in the profession to yield accurate and reliable results. Those tests must substantially replicate the physical conditions of the claimed environment in which the item can be properly disposed."

New Jersey

The state Department of Environmental Protection is proposing changes to its Water Quality Management Planning rules that would reduce "unnecessary red tape while maintaining the high standards of environmental protection," according to Commissioner Bob Martin. Environmental groups opposing the change, however, call it an "assault on clean water." The rule allows more development but does not allow new sewer lines in environmentally sensitive areas, according to EPA officials. New goals for nitrate dilution from septic systems that officials say will help local plan-

ning agencies balance environmental protection with economic growth will, according to opponents, allow the number of septic systems in the 860,000-acre Highlands preservation area to increase from one per 88 acres to one per 22 acres. They say instead of two houses per 250 acres of land, the change would allow 11 homes to be built, though officials disagreed with that conclusion. The rules must go through a public hearing process before becoming final.

British Columbia

The British Columbia office of the Western Canada Onsite Wastewater Management Association (WCOWMA) is working with the Ministry of Health and the BC Provincial Renal Agency to develop best practices for home dialysis in households with septic systems. According to a report from WCOWMA, the BC office has been contacted several times recently regarding the matter and says it has "expressed concern that a septic system not designed to handle these flows could easily be overwhelmed, causing issues either in the tank or the field treatment component or both. For new systems, the presence of a renal patient performing home dialysis must be identified prior to planning the system; for older systems, upgrades may be necessary to handle the potential flows."

According to a WCOWMA newsletter, the number of patients choosing home dialysis is increasing. "The flow to drain effluent produced during this time period varies ... from 270 liters (71 gallons) for a three-hour treatment to 720 liters (190 gallons) during an eight-hour treatment," says the organization. "Treatments may be performed daily or several times per week. The effluent from this process is a mixture of reverse osmosis wastewater (90 percent) and a substance called dialysate (10 percent). Dialysate contains toxic substances that must be treated and dispersed."

Hawai

As Hawaii continues to reduce the number of cesspools in use across the islands, several businesses have been fined by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency for failing to eliminate theirs. The EPA has fined one resort \$187,500, a hotel \$40,000, and a nightclub \$82,425. The resort has closed some of its cesspools, but still has 14 in operation and has committed to replacing them with approved septic systems over the next three years.

Large-capacity cesspools, those that serve nonresidential buildings or multiple residential units, have been banned in Hawaii since 2005. More than 3,000 have been eliminated. However, the state has more cesspools than any other state, about 90,000, and still allows about 800 new small-capacity cesspools annually.

Since July, the state has been offering individual homeowners a \$10,000 tax credit to replace cesspools with septic tanks or aerobic systems. A proposed ban on new cesspools has yet to become law due to opposition from many groups.

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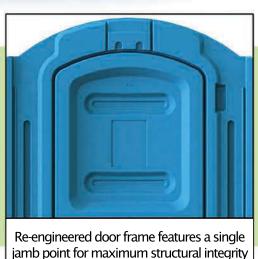


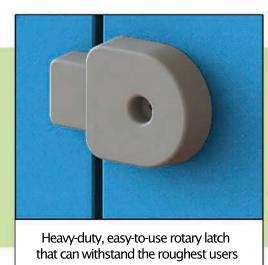
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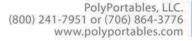




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Armal G-Wave Marketed as an Environmentally Friendly Restroom

By Craig Mandli

he G-Wave may appear to be Armal's typical Wave portable restroom. But the new unit – a featured display at the 2015 Water & Wastewater Equipment, Treatment & Transport (WWETT) Show – fully embraces the phrase "environmentally friendly," as it is constructed from 90 percent post-consumer recycled material. The G-Wave began with an idea from one of the company's newest employees, president and COO Karl McMichael.

"I am relatively new to this industry, but when I started last August, one of my first questions was whether anyone was using recycled material for their portables," says McMichael. "We couldn't find any. I thought, 'What the heck, let's make this happen!""

The gunmetal-gray injection-molded unit satisfies contractors seeking a greener product or for sale in countries that require use of recycled products. The unit comes with a solar light and adopts many features of the company's long-standing Wave restroom, including smooth surfaces that are easy to wash. The assembly of the walls with overlapping systems means that the rivets can be concealed, making cleaning practical and safe, and the inside of the cabin refined and stylish. Armal gets the recycled material from KW Plastics in Troy, Alabama.

"I was familiar with the work that KW did in my previous line of work, and I knew they put out a good product," says McMichael. "When it comes to portable restroom units that are durable and provide longevity, KW was able to provide a material that is just as effective as our traditional material."

The unit includes a stable door with a heavy-duty spring coil and wind-resistant closure device. The unit's curved corners and sturdy design enable easy gripping for placement and transport, according to Armal. Standard features include a urinal with drain cover and lodging for urinal blocks, and a three-roll tissue holder with built-in utility shelf. The waste tank holds 60





gallons. Options include a 7.5-gallon-capacity hand-wash sink, recirculating kit with foot pump, 13-gallon-capacity "Fresh Flush" kit with foot pump, a lift kit, hand sanitizer/gel soap dispenser, and a transport dolly.

Barry Vickers, left, of Armal, discusses the new G-Wave portable restroom with a 2015 WWETT Show attendee. The unit is fabricated from approximately 90 percent post-consumer recycled material. (Photo by Craig Mandli)

McMichael sees the G-Wave as a tremendous marketing opportunity for

operators, allowing companies to show a concern for the environment and their carbon footprint.

"Not only is the portable restroom company going to benefit, any organization renting these units is going to look good as well," says McMichael. "There are really several layers to the marketing potential these provide."

McMichael says his long-range goal is to make the G-Wave the company's base model. He was enthused by the response it received at the WWETT Show, as Armal representatives discussed the marketing possibilities with many portable restroom operators and took orders on dozens of G-Wave units.

"To me, there's no reason why units constructed out of recycled and repurposed material cannot become the industry norm at some point," he says. "It's part of a change in our approach to the industry. I consider putting out products that are environmentally friendly as the wave of the future."

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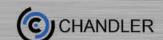


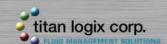




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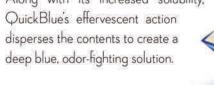
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1:30 p.m.	Soil Dispersal Comparison
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•	Design and Regulations
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1:30 p.m.	Marketing Basics: How to Effectively and Efficiently Grov
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3 p.m.	Trust — How to Build it and Use it to Grow Your
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4:30 p.m.	Portable Sanitation Forum: Current and Future Critical
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9:30 a.m.	Large vs. Small-Diameter Pipe Cleaning
11 a.m.	The Lower Lateral — The New Frontier in Sewer Rehab
1:30 p.m.	Chemical Grouting Technologies
3 p.m.	The Growth of the UV Cured CIPP Process
4:30 p.m.	NASSCO Ask the Experts Panel Discussion

Treatment Plant Operator

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9:30 a.m.	Sustainable Innovation in Biosolids Management
11 a.m.	Pretreatment and Wastewater Lagoon Management
1:30 p.m.	Septage Collection and Treatment
3 p.m.	Large Scale FOG/Septage Receiving Station —
	Lantern Environmental Project Case History
4:30 p.m.	Progress in Electrochemical Water Treatment in Last Century

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3 p.m.	Air Conveyance Through an Industrial Vacuum Truck
4:30 p.m.	Vacuum Excavation Applications and Opportunities

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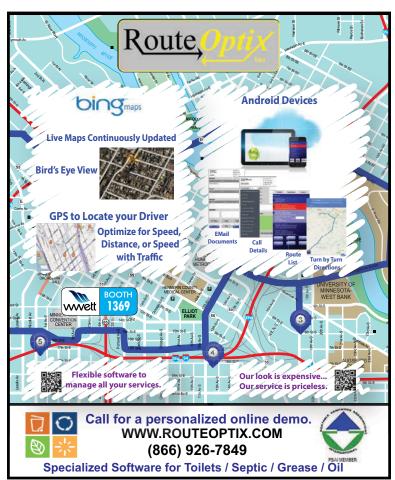
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Time to Unwind

Country music singer Jerrod Niemann ready to give WWETT Show attendees, exhibitors a great show

By Cory Dellenbach

t doesn't matter if you're a country music fan. Jerrod Niemann is going to pull you in when he hits the WWETT Show Industry Appreciation Party stage Feb. 19 in Indianapolis.

"You have to be aware of what you're around," says Niemann, country music star and entertainer for the party. "If you're doing your own show or people are there just because of you it's one thing. If you are part of a party that has already existed for many years, we try to be a chameleon of sorts. We'll do our own songs, but we'll also throw in a couple different ones, too, from rock and blues and everything."

No matter what he sings, Niemann promises a fun time for everyone at the Indiana Convention Center's Sagamore Ballroom.

"There's just something to be said about being around people who are pretty much just like you — hardworking, small-town Americans," Niemann says. "For me, I love being out there and hanging out with everybody."

IN HIS BLOOD

Country music has always been in Niemann's blood, and he thanks his mother for that: "I was doomed from the beginning hearing country music from the womb. My parents ran a bar when my mom was pregnant with me, and I think hearing all those country songs on the jukebox got me going."

From an early age, Niemann was influenced by country acts such as Lefty Frizzell, Keith Whitley and George Strait. After graduating from high school, he attended South Plains College in Levelland, Texas, pursuing an Associate of Arts degree. He began his professional career by singing and

playing acoustic guitar in Texas clubs and bars.

"I did that for about a year, just my guitar and me," he says. "Then I moved to Nashville and started working out there. Music is one of those things where it's such an amazing thing to be a part of that once you've been bitten by the bug, there is no way out of it. It's just who you are."

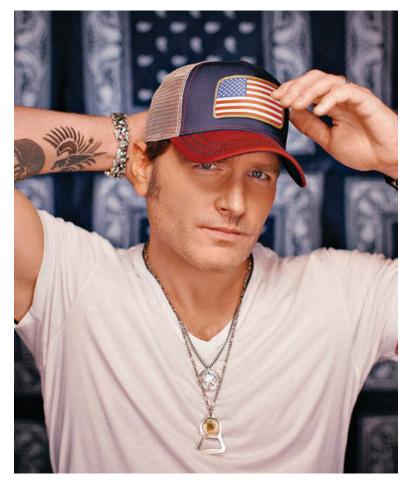
In 2010, Niemann signed with record label Arista Nashville and released his debut single, "Lover, Lover." In August 2010 it hit No. 1 on the country charts.

Since then, Niemann has released four albums — Judge Jerrod & the Hung

Industry Appreciation Party

When: Friday, Feb. 19 Where: Sagamore Ballroom, Indiana Convention Center, Indianapolis

Time: 5 p.m. doors open; 7 p.m. Jerrod Niemann



Jury; Free the Music; Yellow Brick Road; and High Noon. In 2013, his single "Drink to That All Night" hit No. 4 on the U.S. country charts and No. 1 on U.S. country airplay charts.

"I got my foot in the door writing songs in Nashville, and it's always fun being able to write your own material," Niemann says. "Every once in a while you find a song you wish you had written."

NEW MUSIC

One of those songs is "Blue Bandana," his newest single. The song will be a part of his new album set for release this year.

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Jerrod Niemann

"When I heard the song, it just took me to so many cool places and really took me to a lot of cool faces, too," Niemann says. The song tells the story of a fan attending concerts wearing the same blue bandana and the singer noticing it each time. "Just traveling this country, you see a lot of people who are kind enough to pack up in their cars and do a road trip, spending their hard-earned money to see us. I've never really done a song that is a thankyou to those folks out there, but this song does that."

The new album will combine music he's done before — a country/rock

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It all starts Wednesday, Feb. 17. After the final bell rings on Education Day, you can head over to Lucas Oil Stadium, connected to the Indiana Convention Center, for a cold beverage and complimentary hors d'oeuvres while you network with manufacturers and peers. The event will repeat on Thursday, Feb. 18. The hours are 5-8 p.m. on both nights.

Exhibitors have been invited to co-host the event along with COLE Publishing, and the COLE Pub truck will return to serve as the central bar. Attendees and exhibitors can kick back, relax, share stories or solve problems with industry peers.

"We are very excited to see how creative the co-hosts decide to be," says Brad Bisnette, the show's coordinator. "All will be providing a good time for sure."

On Friday night, the focus will shift from Lucas Oil Stadium to the Sagamore Ballroom in the Indiana Convention Center for the Industry Appreciation Party. Country music star Jerrod Niemann will perform a private concert for WWETT attendees. Beers are a quarter and the show is free.

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He'll perform some of the new songs from that album at the WWETT Show and hopes everyone can relax and get their minds off work and anything else going on in their lives.

"The real world can be quite a hard place at times for people, and if we can be the guys to get that off their minds for at least 90 minutes, then we've done our jobs," Niemann says. "I just always try to keep a thread of laughter and craziness at our shows if we can."





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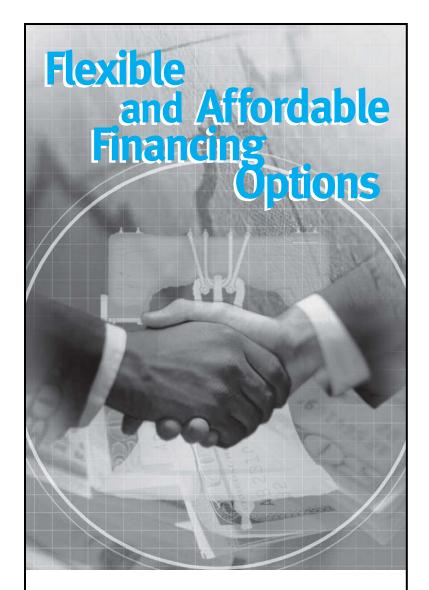


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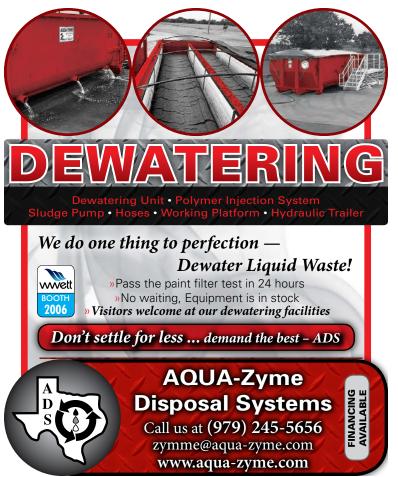


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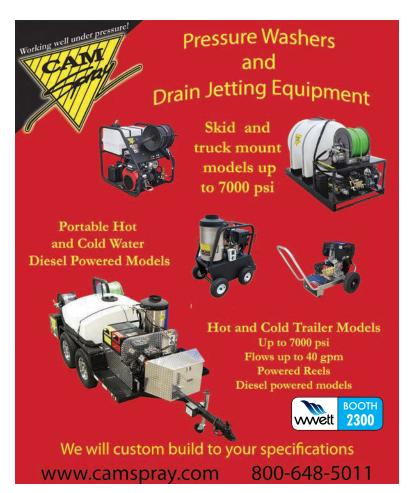
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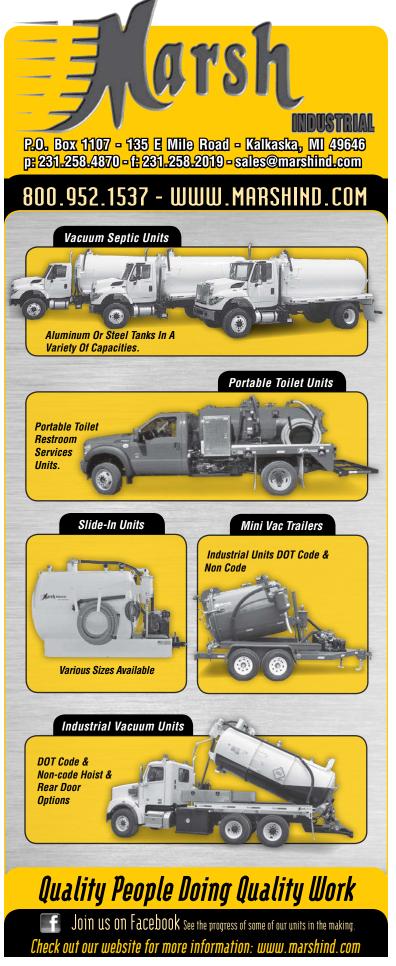
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Near Branson, Missouri, a sales tax foots the bill for residential septic pumping. Would a program like this help defray pumping costs across the country? By Doug Day

fter years of funding public sewer projects to serve the growing population around Branson, Missouri, local government decided to extend some of the benefit to owners of residential septic systems. In 2014, the county spent \$73,000 to pay the entire cost of pumping septic tanks on 500 properties. It worked so well they repeated the program in 2015.

As Branson began to grow in the early 1990s, Taney County officials proposed a half-cent sales tax for wastewater capital improvements, which was approved by voters in 1993. "Due to the popularity of Branson as a tourist destination, a lot of people moved to the area and there was a lot of concern about our lakes and streams," explains John Soutee, project coordinator for Taney County Environmental Services. The tax brings in just over \$7 million a year and has funded \$60 million worth of central sewer projects.

"As the years went by, the idea was that we should take a portion of this money to encourage people to have their septic tanks pumped and properly maintained until public sewer is provided to their area," adds Soutee. He had spent 22 years with the regional sewer district, which had provided \$75 toward the cost of a pumpout. When he moved to the county Environ-

mental Services Department in 2013, he brought the idea with him and county commissioners decided to cover the entire cost of pumping. The \$73,000 annual expenditure represents less than 1 percent of the sales tax revenue.

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Matt Cardwell

much as \$170. The county funding includes the tipping fee charged by the treatment plants.

"One thing we've been able to do is keep our price very low – \$145 for a pumpout is about as cheap as you can get," says Matt Cardwell, one of the owners of the family-run business in its 47th year of operation. "There's no meat on the bone unless you have high volume."

With four to five trucks on the road every day, they make money through

productivity. "We maximize the locations, send one truck to one area and keep it there to save on fuel and time." With good planning, Cardwell says doing several jobs in the same area helps save time, mileage, and wear and tear on equipment.

More than 500,000 gallons of wastewater were pumped from 510 tanks in 2014. Some properties had two-tank septic systems and there were a few



Contact Matt Cardwell of Boerman's Septic Tank Services at 417/294-5563 or through www. boermanseptic.com. properties with more than one septic system, such as a house and a mobile home on the same lot. "We don't just pump one tank and leave one, we'll pump out all the tanks on the property," says Soutee.

The program has no income restrictions but can be used only once in four years, and the property cannot have access to public sewer. The homeowner is responsible for locating the tank and uncovering the access lid. "We also won't pump tanks that are part of a centralized (cluster or large-scale onsite) system," adds Soutee. "We have some subdivisions where the homeowner has a septic tank to remove solids and the effluent goes to a system that serves the entire subdivision. It's our feeling that there should be (maintenance) money collected as part of the overall centralized system."

HOMEOWNER EDUCATION

Cardwell provides customer information about septic system operation and proper care. He notes a general lack of knowledge. "For the vast majority, I'll show them the surface sludge and explain how the tank operates. About two out of every three jobs, the customers are not aware that they were supposed to be maintaining their tanks. They claim that now that they've been educated, they'll be properly maintaining it."

A minority aren't too interested in learning about proper maintenance. "Some people just don't want any part of it and won't come out while we're pumping," he says. "I get the gut feeling that a small percentage are just taking advantage of the program and won't ever pay for pumping themselves, even if they know better."

Boerman's provides a minor inspection, looking for obvious issues including root intrusion, deterioration of a baffle or other structural problems. Each system is rated on a scale of 1 to 10, with 1 being the worst. "Most of them are running around 7 or 8," says Soutee. "I'm pleased they're finding that most of the tanks are in pretty good shape and seem to be working as



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Cardwell will recommend repairs or replacement of systems when needed. That work is not covered by the program, so it has led to some follow-up repair business.

MORE GOVERNMENT PROGRAMS?

Soutee strongly endorses this type of program to foster improved system maintenance, but only if there is a sound

funding source. And he says having a good contractor is essential for a successful program. Effective communication is key, so it requires a septic ser-

vice company that is responsive. You must also make sure there is enough staff to handle the applications and recordkeeping. Soutee has been able to handle most of it himself but does get help from county staff.

Cardwell also endorses the idea, though the logistics are much more complicated for the contractor. "At times, we were buried over 380 jobs deep. And that was just with this program. Those had nothing to do with my day-to-day business."

After getting the list of participants, the company has to contact each homeowner and schedule an appointment. The wait time is commonly two to three weeks. To keep the scheduling and dispatching straight, Cardwell uses a software program he designed himself using his background in information technology.

Contact John Soutee, project coordinator, Taney County Environmental Services, at 417/546-7238 or jsoutee@ co.taney.mo.us.

The 500 slots went quickly for 2015. An average of about 100 applications for the free service come in every month. He wants to increase the number of pumping slots and expects to repeat the program this year. "The county commissioners are pleased with the program and the response it is getting. I hope we can continue doing this," he says. \blacksquare











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5 Mistakes That Make You a Bad Manager

Avoid common pitfalls and create a positive environment where employees give a tireless effort to make the company succeed By David Waits

ince 2000, less than one-third of U.S. employees have been engaged in their work. This is according to numerous national surveys that measured employees' involvement, enthusiasm and commitment. Think about your most recent visit to a retail store or restaurant and your experience as a consumer will likely validate the reality of this startling statistic.

For many employees, the business' leadership has a lot to do with their engagement. A Gallup study of 7,272 adults revealed that one in two had left a job at some point in their career to get away from a manager and thus improve their overall quality of life.

Effective leadership requires not only doing the right things, but also understanding what not to do. Here are five mistakes any business owner or manager should avoid.

Critical mistake No. 1:

Failing to schedule time for learning conversations

You do what you schedule. When you listen, you learn. Leaders should only do what no one else can do, and no one can listen to your employees

Schedule regular opportunities to ask them clear and concise questions and then discipline yourself to actively listen. This will give you vital information to implement two of a leader's main functions: removing obstacles and providing resources. How can you identify any obstacles that are impeding success and the resources your staff needs if you don't consistently schedule interactive learning conversations?

Critical mistake No. 2:

Failing to consistently affirm

As a leader, are you encouraging or are you an encourager - or neither? One of the most powerful - if not the most powerful - tools to embolden, motivate and energize employees is the power of affirmation. Affirming is simply catching people doing things right and telling them about it. Don't just think it; express it!

An effective leader is always on the lookout for opportunities to answer the soul-felt questions on the minds of their employees: "Do I matter?" and "Does what I do around here matter?" Answer those questions by being specific about the employee's positive actions. Always tie the positive action you observe to the beneficial business outcome.

Being encouraging is something you do, but being an encourager is something you are. If you are an encourager, affirmations will emanate from your lips regularly.

Take responsibility for your own actions, attitudes and words. Leverage your influence as a leader and lead by example.

Critical mistake No. 3:

Misdiagnosing

When you visit the doctor, he or she always asks a succession of questions and many times follows up with a battery of tests before prescribing any action to remedy an illness. Why? For the safety of the patient and for the critical business benefit of avoiding a malpractice lawsuit! The exception to this would be in an emergency situation where time is of the essence.

If you are always making business decisions as if you live in the emergency room, the health of your business is going to be in a constant state of trauma. A proper diagnosis of your company's "ailments" is required to make the decisions necessary for a healthy, prosperous business. This requires gathering accurate information (much of which can be ascertained by avoiding mistake No. 1) before randomly moving ahead with activity, which may or may not produce the desired results.

Sometimes small-business owners seek outside help to "treat" a problem that has been improperly, inadequately or incorrectly diagnosed. Before getting assistance, owners should answer this question: "What do I want to accomplish?" Only then can a decision be made on the fastest, most effective way to achieve the desired outcome.

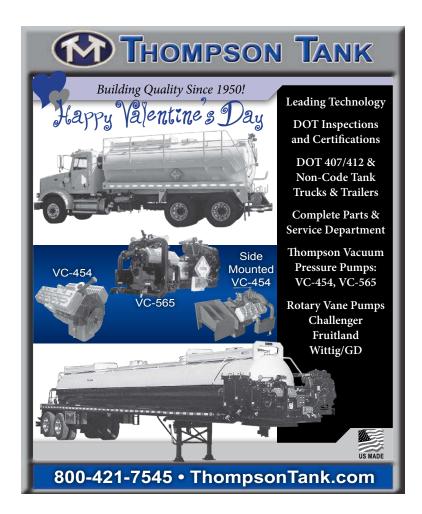
Critical mistake No. 4:

Wearing the wrong hat

Trainer. Monitor. Cheerleader. Fixer. Disciplinarian. Which hat do you wear? Probably all of them and more!

This dilemma is further augmented by the maturity (or immaturity) of your staff. The challenge is not only knowing what hat you should wear, but also wearing the right hat at the right time.

If your staff is relatively new, it's important to be participatory in your leadership style, regardless of the hat you are wearing. As the employees develop, your style shifts to a hands-on leader. You then can transition to a benevolent dictator as you ensure that each employee is appropriately focused in his or her actions. When the team matures and is highly functioning, your style can shift to free-rein leadership as you equip them to be self-sustaining.



Your style shifts and your hats change. Your leadership flexibility is regularly challenged. Change hats as often as circumstances dictate and be aware of the leadership style required based on the developmental maturity of your employees.

Critical mistake No. 5:

Not taking responsibility

There are things you cannot control, so stop wasting time and precious emotional energy on these things.

There are things you can influence, so stop being passive and use your influence.

There are things you can control, so stop making excuses for those things. Get busy and act!

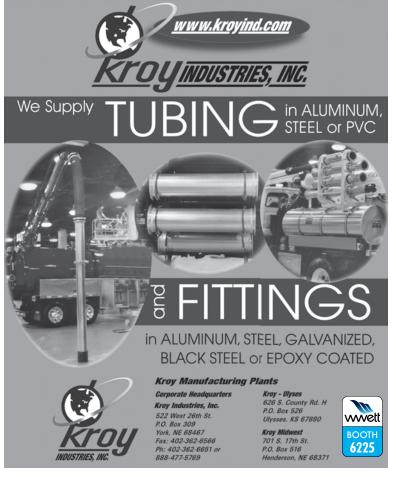
Take responsibility for your own actions, attitudes and words. Leverage your influence as a leader and lead by example.

Avoid these five common mistakes and leverage your powerful, positive influence as a leader. If you do, instead of people withdrawing, disengaging or leaving, they will passionately follow you. You are the most important element in the success of your staff.











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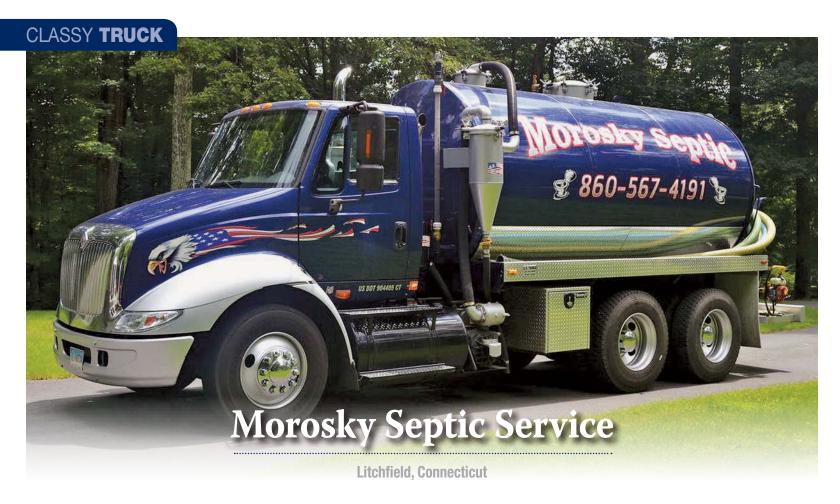


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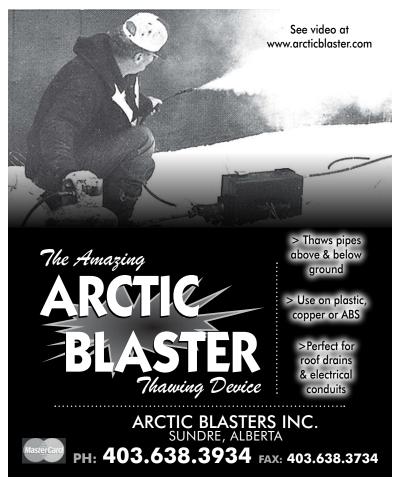
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Whom Should You Trust to Watch Your Money?

When it comes to managing your stacks of cash for retirement, know the differences between a fee-only financial planner and a commission broker By Erik Gunn

our business is growing, and you're earning enough money to set aside and begin to build some wealth.

Sticking it in your mattress is just an old cliché, banks don't pay much interest, and while the broker down the street may help point you to a great stock pick, that's still just a piecemeal approach to managing your money for the long term.

So when it comes to gaining the big picture perspective, where do you turn for advice? If you're hiring a professional to help you protect and grow your personal wealth, you have a couple of basic choices.

Many people simply turn for investment advice to that same (success-

ful, we hope) broker, buying or selling stocks or other securities based on that person's recommendations. The broker might even offer a big picture approach, helping choose investments that are more secure so as you age the downside risk to your nest egg declines as retirement nears.

There's no doubt that many such professionals try to do their best to make fair and thoughtful decisions for their clients. And since they're paid largely on commission with each trade or within mutual fund charges, it's easy to feel like their service is practically free. It's not, of course. Commissions themselves amount to something, however small. But there are bigger reasons to consider an alternative approach: the fee-only financial planner.

The traditional stockbroker is governed by the federal Securities Exchange Act passed in 1934. That law requires the broker to fully inform clients about the "suitability" of an investment, including pointing out the risk that any particular investment might wind up becoming worthless.

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A separate law passed in 1940 sets a higher standard for registered investment advisors, a group that includes fee-only planners; they are obliged to tailor their advice to the client's best interest. Simply disclosing risk and advising investors to consider the suitability of a particular investment isn't enough.

"We do a deep dive into what the client's objectives are and what their risk tolerance is," explains Haubrich, whose business is Financial Service

Group Inc. "We can be held liable if we can't demonstrate that the advice we give is in the best interest of the client."

Based on information collected from the client, a fee-only planner might recommend a particular stock, but she or he won't get paid differently based on whether the client decides to follow through on the recommendation. As a consequence, the planner has no incentive to push any particular investment.

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The term means just what it says. Fee-only planners get paid not for buying or selling investments on your behalf, but for reviewing your financial assets and goals and making recommendations accordingly. Those recommendations are based on their knowledge of the investment markets and their understanding of your particular circumstances.

Yet how they're paid just scratches the surface when it comes to really understanding the difference, says Michael Haubrich, financial advisor based in southeastern Wisconsin and member of the National Association of Personal Financial Advisors (NAPFA.org).

"The bigger distinction is not the compensation, but ... is the person you're dealing with acting as a fiduciary," Haubrich points out. To put it in plain English – is the professional required under the law to act in the client's best interest?

METHODS OF PAYMENT

Of course, the planner gets paid in some way – and typically up front, so their services cost more at the outset. Some planner fees are structured on the basis of hourly charges or through a system of retainers that cover a certain amount of service before they must be renewed – just as business lawyers typically are.

Most planners, though, set their fees on the basis of a percentage tied to the total value of the assets managed for the client. A 2013 survey by the trade publication *Investment News* found that fees go down as the assets under management go up; for \$100,000 to \$500,000 in assets, expect to pay about 1.5 percent per year; people with \$5 million under management paid on average less than 1 percent per year.

That brings up another wrinkle in the ever-evolving investment advisor world, Haubrich notes.

Many brokerage houses, recognizing the concerns people may have about the objectivity of advice coming directly from a securities dealer, are establishing separate arms staffed by advisors paid ostensibly solely on the basis of a percentage charged against the assets they're managing, like feeonly planners.



He points out, however, that those advisors often get some form of additional commission relating to investments that are conducted through their employers, distinguishing them from the true fee-only planner.

"From the consumer's point of view, they all look the same," Haubrich observes. "They all wear suits, they all wear ties." But when it comes to the way they're actually paid – and the incentives that might influence their advice – "that is not a subtle difference."

Wall Street, he notes, has been lobbying heavily to derail proposed federal Labor Department regulations affecting businesses marketing investment platforms for company 401(k) defined contribution pension plans. The feds are arguing those firms should be held to the fiduciary standard – serving participants according to their best interests – rather than the less strict disclosure and suitability standard; the industry behind those plans, of course, would prefer a less strict standard.

THE BIGGER PICTURE

Finally, fee-only planners do a lot more than simply tell you what stocks or bonds to buy or sell.

Indeed, as more and more average people are getting comfortable with discount, do-it-yourself brokerage services, and as even more complex financial advice is starting to become automated in the form of online calculators that help people begin to understand the big picture of their own financial condition, some fee-only planners are offering a more comprehensive approach.

Haubrich, for example, views himself these days as helping clients with "life transitions."

"We're financial life planners," he says. "We really focus on the client's life, where they want to go and what they want to do in their life. Then we

align their resources, not only their financial resources but their career assets, to make sure there's good alignment to help them get through whatever life transitions they're in now."

That can include not just giving advice about investments but connecting clients with other sources of guidance such as work and career counselors and other kinds of advisors.

Such broadly based advice may be a lot more than you're looking for, of course.

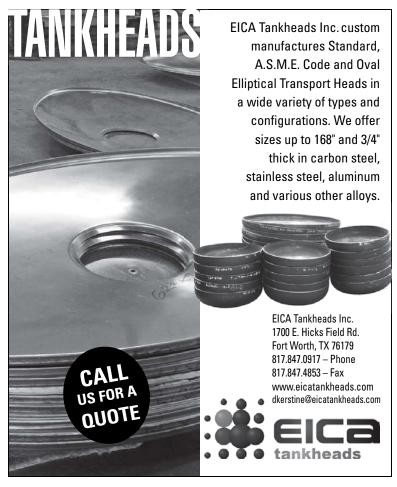
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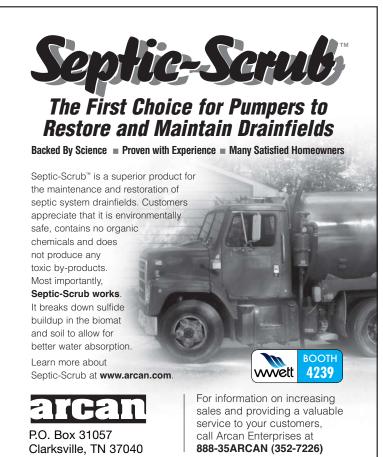
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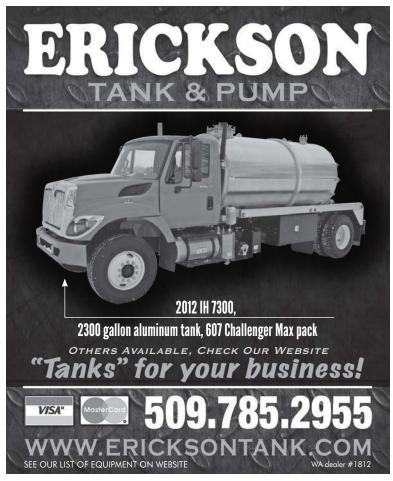




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5 EPA Management Levels for Onsite System Care

From conventional gravity treatment to the most complex community cluster systems, pumpers need to know the gold standard for maintenance By Jim Anderson, Ph.D.

s I indicated last month, questions have come to me about decentralized wastewater management. This leads directly back to reports by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency to Congress and to the establishment of the agency's voluntary management guidelines. The guidelines and reports can be found at the EPA website here: www.epa.gov/owm/onsite.

The five management levels are conceptual in nature; that is, they are somewhat arbitrary in their structure. What you may see in your community are elements of two or more of these concepts currently in operation where you live and work.

From the EPA perspective, management levels increase in intensity and complexity with the rising to public health and the environment.

So the first and simplest level of management is the one where all of the emphasis is placed on the individual owner for system operation and maintenance. This would be in areas served predominantly by conventional gravity to septic tank to drainfield in areas of low environmental and health risks. Think of dispersed residences across a large area not concentrated around lakes and streams and not at a density that could impact groundwater significantly.

HIGHER LEVELS

The next four levels come as the picture of location changes as well as the need for different types of systems that require pumps, pump tanks, pressure distribution or other septic tank pretreatment technologies such as ATUs or media filters. In terms of location, there would be increases in clusters of residences or businesses and in more sensitive environmental areas, such as on lakes or streams and with densities that may impact groundwater resources.

When the guidelines were introduced, I'm not sure the EPA recognized that communities would take a mix-and-match approach based on individual needs and situations. However, that is currently the case. So in choosing the management level, individual circumstances need to be considered and the proper management elements applied to each situation. In Minnesota, where I lived for 40 years, a lot of the management concerns occurred in our lakeshore areas. And because of those concerns, resources management entities grew to address water-quality problems in the lakes.

Here are brief descriptions of the four higher-level management approaches:

Independent pumpers and service providers were not recognized as being able to fulfill the functions of the RME. Through the efforts of many in the industry, this thought was changed to include private for-profit service providers.

- Level two is the maintenance contract model. This would be applied in areas of low to moderate risk and where sites are marginally suited for conventional treatment technologies. The program would entail overseeing siting and installation of systems. It may involve more complex systems in the marginal areas where a service contract must be kept in place and maintained. The permitting authority (county, town, etc.) has an inventory of all systems and they track the contracts.
- Level three is the operating permit model. Risk is moderate; it may include wellhead protection areas and other environmentally sensitive areas. There will be systems treating high-strength waste (think restaurants, bars, other establishments) and larger-capacity cluster systems. Here the program has performance and monitoring requirements for systems that are checked regularly, and systems found out of compliance are brought into compliance or the permit can be revoked. The authority has an inventory of the systems and keeps track.
- Level four is the responsible management entity operation (RME) model. Here is where some of the controversy erupted for our industry. This is for high-risk areas and protection of critical water zones: sole-source aquifers and critical aquatic habitats (think estuaries, lakes, impoundments). There is a predominance of cluster systems. The key is that the homeowner still owns the system and is an integral part of taking care of the system. There are system performance and monitoring requirements. There is management through a public or private entity termed a "responsible management entity."

To begin with, independent pumpers and service providers were not recognized as being able to fulfill the functions of the RME. Through the efforts of many in the industry, this thought was changed to include private for-profit service providers. In this case, though, any permits for system operation are assigned to the management entity responsible to see that the system remains in compliance with the permit requirements.



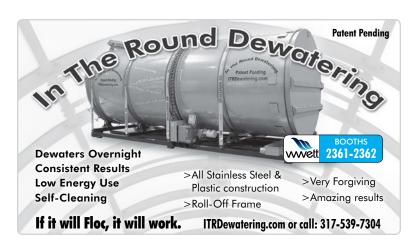
The homeowners remain responsible for costs associated with bringing the system back into compliance if it falls out of compliance. For example, think of a homeowners association and a cluster system. The association is on the hook for repair or upgrade costs, so they can either set aside money for future upgrades or assess owners the cost of those changes when a problem arises.

• Level five is for areas where cluster systems serve multiple properties under different ownership. There is professional management of all aspects of the system, from design and installation to the long-term care. The RME actually owns the system. They provide the trained operators and oversee the systems to keep them in compliance. Here the RME collects regular fees from property owners that include the maintenance and replacement cost, operating like a public utility with much of the same authorities.

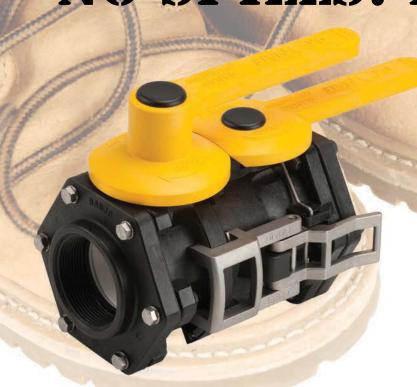
TIME TO REVIEW

Do you see your area in these descriptions? Are you a part of these activities in your community? Are you actively involved in setting standards for performance and providing education to users who are unaware of what it takes to maintain good operating systems? Is your company positioned to take on new responsibilities? These are all questions you should consider moving forward with the industry. In future articles we will look closer at some of the issues involved with management at different levels.





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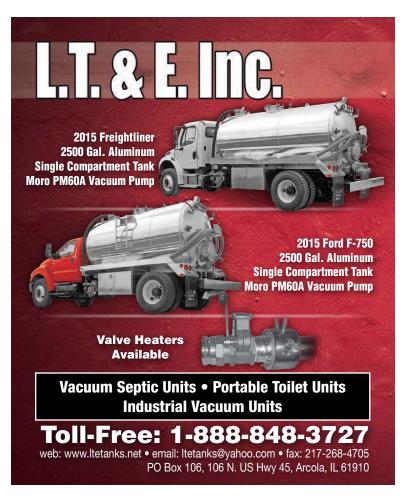


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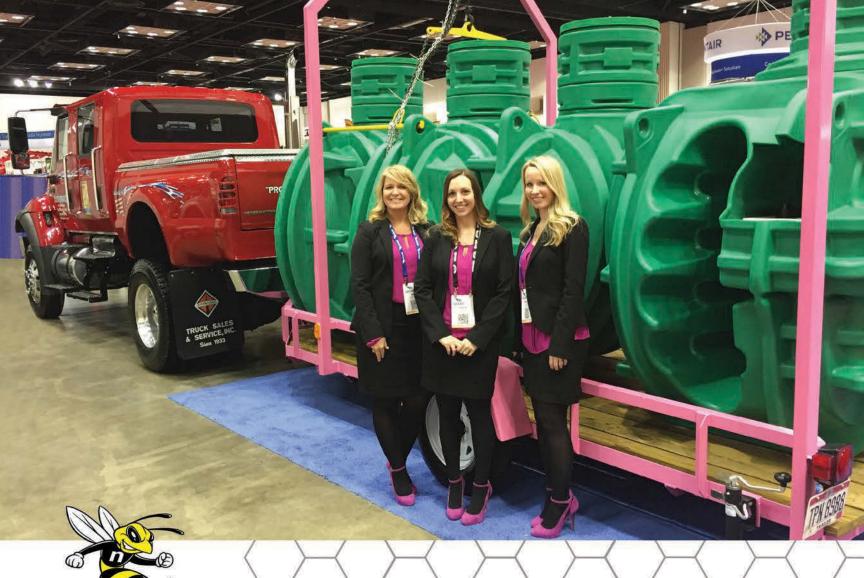
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Recap NAWT Mega Conference, **Look Ahead to 2016 Event**

By Dhru Bhatt

he National Association of Wastewater Technicians, in collaboration with the National Onsite Wastewater Recycling Association (NOW-RA), State Onsite Regulators Alliance (SORA), and the Virginia Onsite Wastewater Recycling Association (VOWRA), jointly conducted a three-day Mega Conference last November in Virginia Beach, Virginia.

The 2015 Onsite Wastewater Mega Conference served as the 2015 Annual Conference for NOWRA, VOWRA and SORA, and the 2015 Treatment Symposium for NAWT. This was the first-ever collaboration among the three national organizations, which focused on onsite/decentralized wastewater systems. The partnership with VOWRA added the expertise of one of the largest and most innovative and effective statewide organizations.

Participants included professionals from all regions of the country and all sectors of the industry, including but not limited to manufacturers, engineers, system designers and soil scientists, regulators, academic researchers and educators, septage treatment facility owners and operators, and contractors who install, operate and maintain septic systems.

At the 2015 Onsite Wastewater Mega Conference, attendees heard from people from around the country and from different segments of the industry - all of whom were able to offer new thinking and fresh perspectives. Below is a summary of conference events including the NAWT educational track that focused on establishing a septage treatment facility.

The Mega Conference began Nov. 3 with a reception where attendees gathered and had an opportunity to network.

EDUCATION SESSIONS

Educational sessions on Nov. 4 covered these topics:

- Analyzing Your Resources/Getting Started Presented by Tom Frank
- How to Select and Engineer Presented by Dave Gustafson
- Safety Issues in a Treatment Facility Presented by Tom Frank and Tom Ferrero
- Chemical Conditioning/Polymers Presented by Larry Montgomery

Sessions on Nov. 5 included:

- Screening and Grit Removal Presented by Dan Widdell
- Pumps Presented by Larry Montgomery
- Basics of Odor Control Presented by Tom Ferrero
- Dewatering Technologies Including Belt Press, Containers, Bags; Case Studies of Lantern Environmental - Can We Build a Bigger Processing Site? - Presented by Therese Wheaton



• Converting Waste to Resources: A Decision-Support Model For Wastewater Irrigated Short Rotation Crops - Presented by Miles Dyck

NAWT's Tom Ferrero addresses attendees at the 2015 Mega Conference in Virginia Beach, Virginia. (Photo courtesy of NAWT)

- The Benefits and Considerations in Localizing Water Presented by Nick Weigel
- Economics of Liquid Waste Treatment ... Is This Your Game Plan? -Presented by Therese Wheaton
- What Resources Can We Recover from Domestic Waste Presented by Bob Rubin

FIELD TRIPS

On Nov. 6, two field trips focused primarily on onsite wastewater treatment facilities in the difficult coastal environment of the mid-Atlantic. The attendees of one field trip visited the Chesapeake Bay Foundation's Brock Center, a "zero discharge" green building, followed by a trip up Virginia's eastern shore to visit a variety of larger onsite systems with unique solutions to the challenging site conditions of a coastal environment.

The attendees of the other field trip traveled down the Virginia coast toward North Carolina's outer banks. Attendees visited several sites with systems designed to address challenging issues. In addition, they had the opportunity to watch a live demonstration of an inspection and maintenance flushing of a fairly large LPD system.

LOOKING AHEAD

If you missed the Mega Conference, don't miss the 2016 Conference, which will be held Oct. 26-29 in Reno, Nevada. Details about the conference will be posted on NAWT's website in the coming months. For more information on all NAWT activities, visit www.nawt.org. ■



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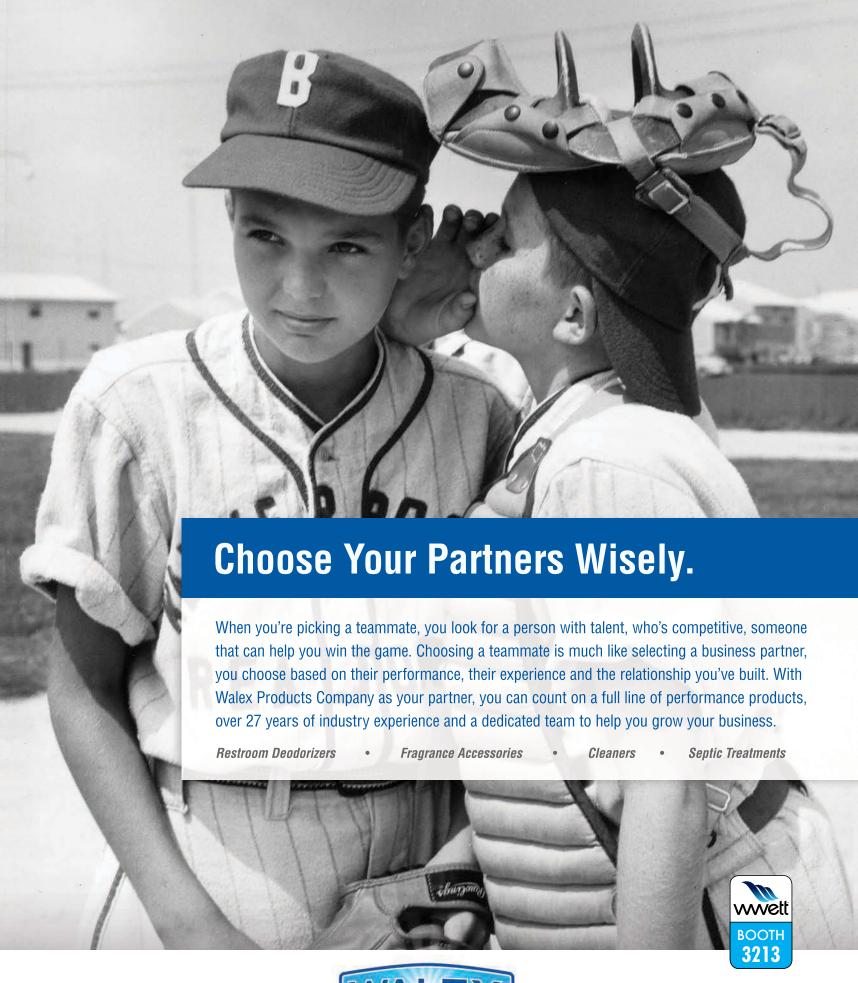
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Grundfos holds Walk for Water event

INDUSTRY NEWS

About 175 Grundfos Pumps employees joined family, friends and corporate partners for a Walk for Water event held in Kansas City, Missouri, and Aurora, Illinois. The initiative raised awareness about the global water crises and raised funds for safe, sustainable water solutions in developing countries.



Grundfos first held the event in 2012 and to date has raised over \$200,000 for Water Missions International.

Cloverleaf Tool Co. purchases Jetter Parts Depot

Cloverleaf Tool Co. of Sarasota, Florida, manufacturer and distributor of pipeline and sewer cleaning and maintenance equipment, purchased Jetter Parts Depot of Orlando, Florida.

Vanair acquires manufacturing facility

Vanair Manufacturing acquired an 80,000-square-foot facility in Michigan City, Indiana. The acquisition doubles the company's production and office space. The facility will provide space for increased manufacturing, training, support, service and leadership functions.

Continental reaches retread milestone, partners with CMC Tire

Continental Tire North America produced retread No. 1 million at its ContiLifeCycle facility in Morelia, Mexico. Continental also partnered with CMC Tire to expand its retreading network, including the opening of a commercial tire retread facility in Las Vegas. The new retread facility can produce up to 24,000 retreads annually with the capacity to grow to 48,000.



SludgeHammer co-owner Buzz Jenks passed away

Arthur Ward "Buzz" Jenks, co-owner of SludgeHammer Group, Ltd., died Jan. 3. He was 69. "Buzz will be missed by his business partners, Dr. Dan Wickham, and all the dealers and distributors of SludgeHammers," the company said in a statement. "His cheerful helpfulness

and kindness was always there no matter what problem or fire he was putting out. He helped build the SludgeHammer brand by always meeting the needs of customers and putting them first."

Caterpillar receives Vision for America Award

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J&J Truck Bodies & Trailers names director of operations

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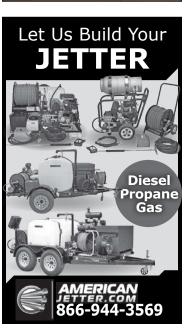












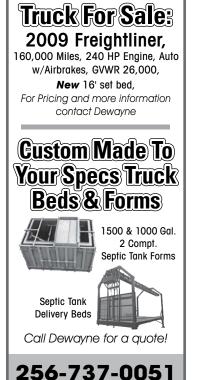
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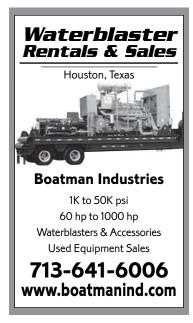
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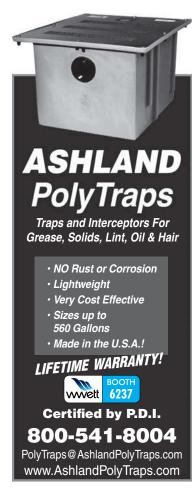




















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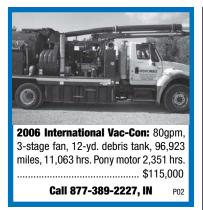
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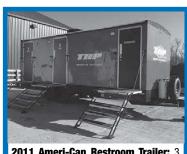
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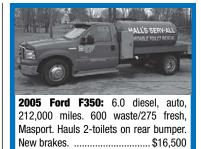
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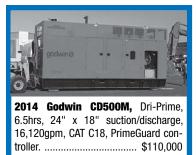
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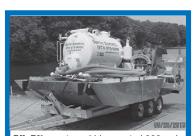
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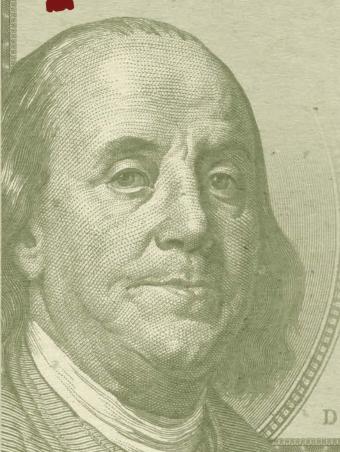


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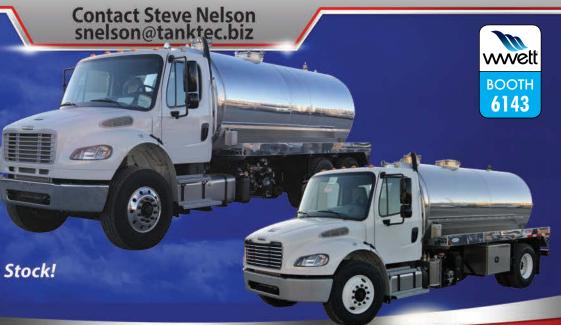
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