

ASSOCIATIONS

Iowa Environmental Health Association

WHO WE ARE



The Iowa Environmental Health Association originated in 1969 with 49 members. Today, we are approaching 200 members from various cities and counties across Iowa.

MEMBERS

The strength of the Iowa Environmental Health Association rests in its members. IEHA contains hundreds of working health professionals in counties across Iowa, and include city/county Health Departments, the Iowa Department of Public Health, the Department of Inspections and Appeals, the University Hygienic Lab, the Food industry, County Engineers, Iowa State University, the Iowa Water Well Association, the Wastewater industry, and the Environmental Protection Agency. Additional participants include the Iowa Department of Natural Resources, the Iowa Ground Water Association, the Iowa Public Health Association, and the International Association of Milk, Food, and Environmental Sanitarians.

Members seek to promote and protect the various aspects of public health to the residents of Iowa. In return, IEHA strives to develop its members by increasing skills, education, efficiency, and professionalism.

To view specific organizational information, request a copy of the [IEHA Constitution and By-Laws](#) from the [IEHA secretary](#) or the by-laws can be downloaded from the IEHA website.

Affiliation

The National Environmental Health Association ([NEHA](#)), the Iowa Environmental Council ([IEC](#)), and the Iowa State Association of Counties ([ISAC](#)).

WHAT WE DO

Involvements

As a body, we are involved in environmental and public education, reviewing existing and pending environmental health legislation, and community service.

Developments

We are proud to have taken a leading role in the development of groundwater regulations, wastewater management regulations, food service personnel certification programs, the IEHA Environmental Handbook, the Saniscript Newsletter, swimming pool regulations and well contractor certifications.

THE BOARD

The governing body of the Iowa Environmental Health Association consists of a President, President Elect, Past President, Secretary, Treasurer, and three board members, all of whom were elected by peers to serve as IEHA representatives.

Mail application to:
Janet Ott, IEHA Treasurer
PO Box 623 | Elkader, IA | 52043

MEMBERSHIP FORM

You may also join online at
www.ieha.net

- Active Membership - \$80
- Associate Membership - \$20
- Retired Membership - \$10
- Student Membership - \$10
- Sustaining Membership - \$85

Name: _____

Credentials: _____

Agency/Company: _____

Title: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Fax: _____

Email: _____

Dues are payable on the calendar year. If joining after July 1, dues are ½ current year's dues plus following years dues paid in full.

MEMBERSHIP LEVELS

Active — Employed in the field of environmental health or other related professional fields. Only membership level with voting privileges.

Associate – Anyone interested in the environmental health field, but not employed in the health field.

Student – Working towards a degree in environmental science, public health, environmental health or related field.

Retired – An active member for at least 5 years, has accrued at least 20 years of service, or has retired due to age or disability.

Agency – Any nonprofit organization or institution or official agency expressing interest in the environmental health field.

Sustaining - Individuals or corporations expressing an interest in the association and its objectives.

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Environmental Health
Professionals For
Environmental Protection

ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH PROFESSIONALS ARE:

Public health professionals who protect the public from detrimental conditions in the environment through education, consultation, collaboration, and enforcement of environmental regulations. An Environmental Specialist works with other professionals in their community to provide a safe and healthy environment.



The Iowa Environmental Health Association (IEHA) is an affiliate of the National Environmental Health Association and was established in 1969. Over 45 years later, our Association of individuals and organizations continues to work to improve the public's environmental health through political advocacy, public awareness, professional development, and networking with peers. Today we are approaching 200 members from various organizations across Iowa.

What is IEHA?

Our mission is to promote education, influence policy and provide resources to environmental health professionals in order to protect the environment and promote public health.

Members are Environmental Health personnel with professional responsibility for, or interest in, protecting the public's health through organized programs in the following areas:

Air Quality ~ Food Protection ~ Housing
Sanitation and Safety ~ Individual and
Public Water Supplies ~ Insect and Rodent
Control ~ Water Pollution Control ~
Occupational Health and Safety ~
Recreational Waters and Facilities ~ Solid
and Hazardous Waste Management ~
Waste Water Pollution Control ~ Toxic
Substances

BENEFITS OF MEMBERSHIP

- Leadership and educational seminars.
- Mentoring for new environmental health professionals.
- Networking opportunities across the state.
- Opportunity to set the direction of the Association and environmental health in Iowa.
- IEHA newsletter to keep members informed.
- National Environmental Health (NEHA) credentialing opportunities.
- Involvement in Iowa state environmental legislation and advocacy.
- Scholarship opportunities for IEHA members.
- Access to a comprehensive website and members only section.
- Partnership with state and national organizations.

About IOWWA

Iowa Onsite Waste Water Association



The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency recognizes onsite, or "septic" systems and technology as a viable long-term solution for wastewater treatment. Onsite treatment systems are chosen as a cost effective alternative to the more costly installation of gravity sewer mains and centralized treatment works. With proper maintenance and management, onsite systems are designed to last. Current technology rapidly evolves, fueled by continuous research and development. National and state regulations require regulators, designers, manufacturers and contractors to remain informed and knowledgeable on the latest developments and findings in the onsite wastewater industry. Clean water is a valuable resource and onsite systems are a critical part of the water cycle. Treated waste water ultimately becomes water used in our private and municipal wells.

Since its inception in 1999, IOWWA has worked to educate both the members and public about the benefits of quality onsite wastewater treatment. IOWWA is one of the largest state organizations in the country focused on the onsite wastewater industry. Our members number some 400 and include regulators, installation contractors, maintenance contractors, soil scientists, engineers, manufacturers and educators. These people join to make IOWWA a diverse and well-balanced organization.

IOWWA is directed by a board of members elected by the association. The Board of Directors consists of 10 members that equally represent five major groups in the organization; contractors, regulators, manufacturers, maintenance providers, and other representatives (e.g. designers, soil scientists, educators). The Board of Directors meets regularly to conduct the business of the organization, address current issues, and plan future activities.

IOWWA supports onsite waste water system inspections at time of property transfer. IOWWA supports mandatory certification of installers, designers, regulators and maintenance providers. IOWWA is currently working to establish a voluntary certification program for on site system installers, designers and regulators.

IOWWA is a constituent state member of the National Onsite Wastewater Recycling Association (NOWRA), the largest organization within the U.S. dedicated solely to educating and representing members within the onsite and decentralized industry.

The Iowa Onsite Waste Water Association works to support its members, promote the onsite waste water industry, and to ultimately improve water quality in Iowa.

Membership

We invite you to join IOWWA!

You are also able to RENEW your current membership by selecting the "Online Membership Application" and completing the form. Membership dues must be renewed annually. *The IOWWA membership year is from date joined through December 31st of the current year.*

[Click Here for Online Membership Form](#)

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The IOWWA membership structure is designed to accommodate companies and government entities of any size. If *one person is active* then the "Individual" membership at \$90.00 is the best choice. Companies with *numerous active individuals* will benefit from the "Business" membership. Using the "Business" membership, one (1) key person's membership is \$120.00. That person will receive the newsletter and NOWRA membership. Then an *unlimited* number of additional staff can join for \$50.00/each. All association activities have both member and non-member fees.

IOWWA's main goal is to expand on industry-wide education. The primary means is by supporting training workshops across the state. Workshops are held several times per year and cover subjects including site evaluation, system design, and system installation. IOWWA provides other educational opportunities by publishing our quarterly newsletter and by hosting an annual conference. The two-day annual conference features seminars by nationally recognized experts, peer discussions, networking opportunities, and exhibits featuring the latest technologies and services.

IOWWA can help you address issues and answer questions specific to onsite wastewater treatment in our state. IOWWA is also connected to the National Onsite Wastewater Recycling Association (NOWRA), the premier national organization focused on the onsite wastewater industry. Membership in IOWWA includes membership in NOWRA and IOWWA members receive all the benefits of NOWRA including a subscription to the "Onsite Journal", the quarterly NOWRA newsletter.

IOWWA grows stronger with new and renewed memberships. You are invited to join IOWWA as we work to learn and share knowledge in our industry. Please accept our invitation by completing the membership application form posted at this site. You can also contact Alice Vinsand, our executive director at 515-225-1051 or execdir@iowwa.com.

About NEHA

National Environmental Health Association



“...to advance the environmental health and protection professional for the purpose of providing a healthful environment for all.”

NEHA's Origin

The National Environmental Health Association (NEHA) had its origins in the state of California where it was incorporated in 1937. The original impetus behind the creation of a national professional society for environmental health practitioners was the desire by professionals of that day to establish a standard of excellence for this developing profession. This standard, which has come to be known as the Registered Environmental Health Specialist or Registered Sanitarian credential, signifies that an environmental health professional has mastered a body of knowledge (which is verified through the passing of an examination), and has acquired sufficient experience, to satisfactorily perform work responsibilities in the environmental health field. The pioneers of the association believed that such a credential was necessary if the environmental health field was to grow and take shape as a legitimate and widely respected profession.

NEHA's Mission

Drawing on the original effort that led to the creation of NEHA, the association today stands as a strong professional society with over 4,500 members across the nation. Clearly NEHA's mission, "to advance the environmental health and protection professional for the purpose of providing a healthful environment for all" is as relevant today as it was when the organization was founded.

Advancement has been defined by NEHA in terms of both education and motivation. The basis for the association's activities is the belief that the professional who is educated and motivated is the professional who will make the greatest contribution to the healthful environmental goals which we all seek. Accordingly, great emphasis is placed on providing, through each of NEHA's programs, both an educational as well as a motivational opportunity. At NEHA's conferences, for example, tremendous attention is paid to developing a quality educational program that not only imparts knowledge to the attendee but, also, through the very quality of the presentations, inspires the attendee to do more upon returning to his or her job.

NEHA Strategic Directions

Several years ago, NEHA's board decided to adopt a rather unique approach to envisioning the association's future and determining the association's priorities. It made the bold move of stepping out of the classical process of strategic planning. By focusing on directions and not destinations, we keep our association on the balls of its feet – ready to change course at a moment's notice should circumstances in our business environment indicate that such a change is appropriate. This mindset and way of operating represents the extra commitment that NEHA makes to insure that the association remains relevant to the profession and to the NEHA membership. Our strategic directions include 1) Training and Education; 2) Credentialing; 3) Advocacy; and 4) Organizational Capacity.

NEHA's Programs and Services

In pursuit of its mission, NEHA offers a variety of programs. Expanding beyond its original credential, today the association has seven national credential programs (see * list below). NEHA also produces the Annual Educational Conference (AEC) & Exhibition, and a number of technical workshops each year. In addition, NEHA publishes the widely-respected and peer-reviewed Journal of Environmental Health, serves as a "one stop shop" for publications in virtually every area of the environmental health field through its online bookstore, posts job openings on its online JobCenter, provides networking and committee participation opportunities, develops positions on timely and serious environmental health concerns, and provides several other services, serving as a constant resource for the environmental health professional.

Asthma, Indoor Air, and Radon Coalition

The Iowa A.I.R. (Asthma, Indoor Air, & Radon) Coalition educates and empowers all citizens in their desire to have a healthy and safe indoor environment by consistently providing prevention, promotion, and protection activities across Iowa.

The Iowa AIR Coalition consists of dedicated members who devote their time and energy educating the public on the dangers and risk of radon in Iowa. Some members can provide radon test kits and help you with your test results. Members may also provide you with educational materials, seminars, and training on radon basics. To find out if you have a member in your area and what services they provide please click the link below to view current membership list and contact information.

AIR Coalition Leadership

The Iowa AIR Coalition consists of members from public health agencies across the State of Iowa. The coalition is led by a steering committee representing all of Iowa's public health regions.

For more information contact Rick Welke at (515) 281-4928



"I joined IWWA because another contractor asked me to and I felt that it was the thing to do at the time. I have since found that the education opportunities and the help, when needed, by fellow contractors is great. But the most important thing is the true camaraderie with fellow members who have the same values for the water industry as you do."

— Donald "Butch" Kasparek
Navotny & Son Well Drilling

about iwwa

For more than 80 years, IWWA has been a stakeholder in the interests and welfare of Iowa's groundwater. Currently, 72 percent of Iowans depend on groundwater for their drinking water supply. It's easy to see why the association focuses on education, legislation and public awareness.

IWWA connects professionals who are licensed in the water well industry, manufacturers and wholesale distributors, government representatives and companies that provide small business

services that add value to the bottom line. With its expanded membership, members cultivate a stronger, diversified network that benefits them and the publics they serve.

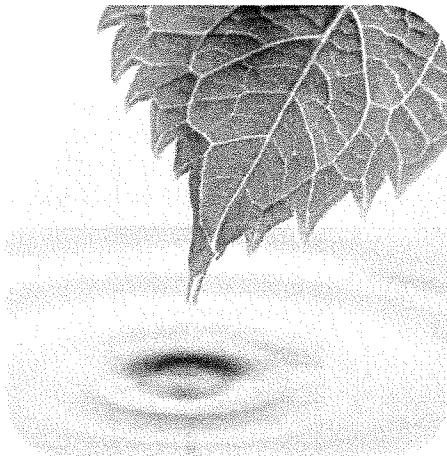
Join IWWA today and take advantage of an increasingly extensive knowledge base. Use this opportunity to grow your career, your business and public awareness in your community.

Learn more at www.iwwa.org.

* U.S. Geological Survey, March 2004 report on 2004 water use



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Ankeny, IA 50023



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quality one glass at a time

membership benefits

- Educational events provide members with opportunities to earn approved Continuing Education credits necessary to maintain your license while networking with industry professionals.
- Advocacy and representation on legislative issues at the state and national level. IWWA is the first to keep you apprised of new laws, regulations, standards and industry changes.
- News and information via the quarterly newsletter, *Iowa Water Well News*.
- The Membership Directory maintains your connection to your peers, suppliers and state legislators.
- www.iwwa.org provides a wealth of information to consumers and members.
- Consumer resources to illustrate the cost comparison between private well systems and rural water systems while emphasizing the importance of working with IWWA members.
- Scholarship opportunities available to employees and relatives of member firms. Over \$38,000 in scholarships have been awarded.
- Increased clout through active involvement in leadership positions.
- Money and time saved by making IWWA your first stop for resources and information.



You meet great people in the same industry and you have an opportunity to share experiences and learn from others. When a situation happens, you have a network of people to call.

— Tom Cook
Shawver Well Company, Inc.

membership application

name: _____

designation (s): _____

company: _____

address: _____

city: _____ state: _____ zip: _____

phone: _____ fax: _____

email: _____

website: _____

recommended by: _____

membership categories

- company membership** (\$240)
(for firms with more than one (1) licensed well driller and/or pump installer.)
 well driller pump installer
- sole proprietorship** (\$185)
(for firms with only one (1) licensed well driller and/or pump installer.)
- manufacturer-supplier** (\$250)
(manufacturers, suppliers and distributors.)
- associate supplier** (\$185)
(small business services.)
- associate administrative** (\$65)
(government and education representatives.)
- additional persons for company membership** (\$50)
(additional persons may receive the Iowa water well news and are listed in the membership directory.)

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____

Enclosed is \$_____ for my membership.

method of payment:
 check Mastercard/Visa

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billing zip code: _____

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