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Appliance Parts Distributors Association (APDA) Announces New Officers, Directors and Initiatives

Chicago, IL - Members, trade partners and guests of the Appliance Parts Distributors Association (ADPA) gathered at the Atlantis Paradise Island in the Bahamas to attend the 2009 Spring Meeting. The APDA Spring and Fall meetings are a venue for manufacturers to meet with APDA members as a group and individually to review programs, exchange information and build relationships.

During the meeting, new board officers and directors were elected. Kirk Coburn, Coast Appliance Parts in South El Monte, California was elected president and Bruce Swane, Appliance Parts Company in Tempe, Arizona was elected vice president. Ron Clifton, Tribles, Inc. serves as treasurer.

Newly elected board members are Rick Essex, AP Wagner, Inc., and Kevin Sullivan, 1st Source Servall. Talmadge Sigmon, D & L Parts was re-elected to the board. Other Board members include Phil Oraziotti, Reliable Parts Ltd., Susan Renegar, Cashwell Appliance Parts, Inc., Preston Tribble, Tribles, Inc. and past presidents Fred Lambert, Appliance Parts Co. of Louisiana and Jeff Flinn, Automatic Appliance Parts Corp.

Trade partners attending included Airwell-Fedders Corporation, Alliance Laundry Systems, ARI Network Services, Computer Pundits Corporation, Electrolux Home Products, General Electric Consumer & Industrial, Whirlpool Canada and the Whirlpool Corporation.

“The current economic climate highlights the importance of the APDA to their members and trade partners as an important link in the distribution channel,” says Kirk Coburn, APDA board president. “The APDA is energized and focused on new initiatives including increased industry awareness and marketing of the APDA.”

Also during the meetings, the Association honored APDA past president, Fred Lambert. “We greatly appreciate Fred’s leadership during his two years as president”, said Coburn. “Fred united the membership and strengthened relationships with trade partners. Under Fred’s leadership, the association launched the APDA newsletter, *The Agitator*.”

The APDA’s Fall 2009 meeting will be held October 3-6 at the Ginn Hammock Beach Resort in Palm Coast, FL.

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About the APDA:

Founded in 1935, the Appliance Parts Distributors (APDA) is a professional association of independent businesses that aspires to provide the highest level of support and information to its members which makes its value indispensable to the parts distribution channel.

APDA provides a forum for industry communications and the sharing of common interests, goals and standards.

APDA provides education and information to promote professional management, knowledge, competency and integrity of its members firms.

APDA provides the opportunity to enhance relationships within the industry.

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