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## 2017 FSPA HALL OF FAME INDUCTEE

(SARASOTA, Fla.) February 23, 2017- The Florida Swimming Pool Association (FSPA) inducted Kenneth Parker into its Hall of Fame on Thursday, February 16 at the Welcome and Awards Reception at the 45<sup>th</sup> annual *Evertyhing Under the Sun*<sup>sm</sup> *Expo*.

Kenneth Parker of Hobe Sound began in the pool business in 1973, moving from a desk job in Atlanta to Tequesta to pursue his dreams of building pools. As soon as he joined what was then NSPI-Florida he became active in the Treasure Coast chapter with safety awareness and other committees and served as chapter president multiple times over the years. He has served on the state board for 26 years, missing only 14 meetings in those 26 years, in varying roles such as builder council chairman in 1994 and 1995, on the bylaws taskforce, existing pool taskforce and the subcontractor licensing workgroup. He is a volunteer whom the association can always count on to be monitoring a class at the show, even now in retirement, and has probably timed more swimmers at the FSPA meet than any other FSPA member.

FSPA's Hall of Fame is reserved for individuals within an organization who consistently go above and beyond the call of duty and are an exemplary role model for others in the industry.

The Florida Swimming Pool Association is a trade association for the pool and spa industry in Florida. There are approximately 600 member businesses in 16 Chapters across the state. Members are required to abide by a code of ethics and to be properly licensed and insured. FSPA provides the industry with access to continuing education courses, information on current trends and issues, and an arbitration program and government relations representation. FSPA is governed by a Board of Directors.

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