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Alan Cooper named FSPA's 2009 Person of the Year

Sarasota, FL (February 24, 2010) – The Florida Swimming Pool Association Chapter Presidents meet each January and select a "Person of the Year". Alan Cooper of Lake Mary has been chosen as Person of the Year for 2009. During the Awards and Welcome Reception at the annual Orlando Pool & Spa Show, February 19-20, he was recognized for his achievement.

Alan Cooper has been in the swimming pool industry for more than 35 years and in 2009 served as the Florida Swimming Pool Association's President. He served as a member of the FSPA Executive Committee for four years preceding his presidency and is regularly one to suggest alternative ideas and thoughts on a subject.

Alan's background as a CPA brought increased financial awareness to members of the Board of Directors, helping everyone to understand more clearly the organization's financial condition.

In a year which the swimming pool and spa industry suffered, he led the FSPA to make smart decisions on everything from finances to government relations to membership. Thanks to Alan's guidance and leadership we start 2010 as a very stable organization with membership increasing, a trade show on the rebound and our government relations program one of the most admired in the industry.

The Florida Swimming Pool Association is a trade association for the pool and spa industry in Florida. There are approximately 550 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, an arbitration program and government relations representation. FSPA is governed by a Board of Directors.