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North Texas Section

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October 2018 Newsletter

October 2018 Dinner Meeting

Date: Friday, October 26, 2018
Location: Knights of Columbus Hall, 2625 S Cooper St, Arlington, TX 76015
Time: Social Hour 5:00—6:30 PM
Dinner & Program 6:30—7:30 PM
Awards 7:30 PM

12th Annual Opstoberfest Cook-Off

See next page for details.

[Click here](#) to register to attend. [Click here](#) to register a cook-off team.

November 2018 Lunch Meeting

Date: Thursday, November 15, 2018
Location: Jacobs Engineering Group, 1999 Bryan St #1200, Dallas, TX 75201
Time: Social Time 11:15 AM
Lunch Served 12:00 PM
Announcements & Program 12:15—1:00 PM

Presentation by: Matt Penk, Assistant Director of Capital Improvements, Dallas Water Utilities

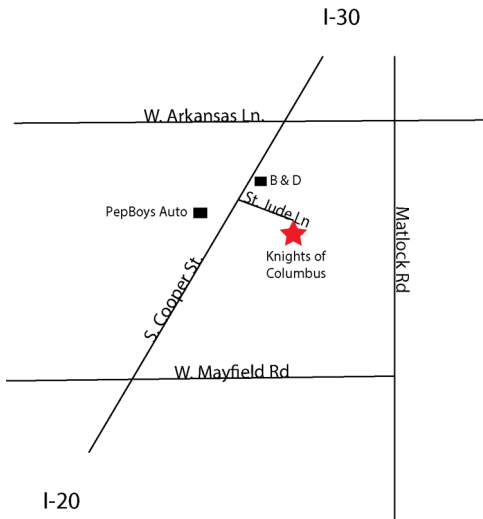
Matt is an Assistant Director for Dallas Water Utilities (DWU) with 17 years of experience as a plant engineer, project manager, program manager, and assistant director. Matt is responsible for the planning and execution of DWU's Capital Improvement Program (CIP) which includes 5 program managers, 120 employees, and an annual budget of approximately \$300-400M. DWU's CIP includes projects and programs to support City efforts toward economic development, environmental protection, and enhancement of quality of life thru water supply and treatment, water distribution, wastewater collection and treatment, storm water drainage and erosion protection.

[Click here](#) to register to attend.



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Opstoberfest



12th Annual Cook-Off

Friday, October 26, 2018

The Knights of Columbus Hall
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**BENEFITS THE NORTH TEXAS OPERATIONS CHALLENGE
TEAMS AT NATIONAL COMPETITIONS**



Free Admission for TAWWA Seminar Attendees

Bring your nametag or other proof of attendance at the 2018 Robert F. Pence Drinking Water Seminar

Entertainment provided by the **DWU Central Snappers**



Festivities include a bounce house, photo booth, and more!

Join us!

Members and Guest: \$20

City/Utility and Guest: \$10

Kids 15 and Under: Free

Email Agata Ristow at a.ristow@prime-controls.com

[Register online](#) or complete the attached form. Online sponsorship payments: [WEAT Square](#)

Team registration deadline extended to October 24, 2018. Two vehicle limit per team in field.

Schedule of Events

Teams May Arrive	8:00 AM
Social Hour	5:00 PM
Food Judging & Costume Contest	6:00 PM
Kid's Dinner Buffet	6:15 PM
General Buffet & Program	6:30 PM
Awards	7:30 PM

Awards

- BBQ: Chicken, Beef, Pork, Wild Game
- Dessert
- Beer
- Pit Master
- Most Hospitable Team
- Halloween Costume Contest

BYOB until 5:30 pm! Hard liquor is BYO all day!

LEADERSHIP MESSAGE

Greetings! I hope everyone is having a safe and enjoyable fall!

Everyone in our industry seems to be busier than ever – it is easy to become exhausted and caught up in the rush, but I hope we'll all take time to consider that whether we are selling, designing, building, managing, maintaining, operating, we are doing truly good things for our society, for public health, and for our environment. It is my honor and privilege to serve as the Section's president this year and to be working with so many talented, dedicated and fun people.

Our July dinner meeting on the hyperloop project drew a near-record audience. Jacobs has graciously agreed to host our November meeting at their offices in downtown Dallas in November with a presentation from Dallas Water Utilities' Matt Penk, Assistant Director of Capital Improvements. **This will be a lunch meeting – mark your calendar for November 15th!**

A number of events and activities bear mentioning since our last newsletter. Some are described in more detail in the newsletter:

- Our annual Daryl Hall memorial golf tournament was a huge success (again)! The tournament has become a chief fundraising vehicle for our Daryl Hall Scholarship fund, which provided scholarships for six great students for the fall semester. Special thanks to Brandt Miller for coordinating the tournament, to the Hall family, to those who started this great tradition, and to the numerous volunteers, sponsors, and participants who have made this program a great success and source of pride for our section.
- Chris Vela has been coordinating a number of public outreach activities, including the Trinity Trash Bash in September. Volunteer opportunities are plentiful for upcoming river clean-up, science fair, and Future City competitions. WEAT-NTS supports these activities both financially and with a great bunch of volunteers.
- Our annual Opstoberfest barbeque event is coming up on October 26th – we hope to have at least a dozen cooking teams competing for prestigious prizes. Bring your family and join us for a fun, informal evening with the best barbeque, the best music (The Dallas central WWTP Snappers!) and the best company you'll find anywhere. We're extending a special invitation to those attending the TAWWA Drinking Water Seminar that day – come party with us after the seminar!
- Finally, where our local professional sports franchises may have disappointed lately, north Texas Ops Challenge teams **DOMINATED** at WEFTEC this year! Congrats to the TRA CReWSers, TRA Waste Warriors, DWU Aqua Techs, DWU Central Snappers, NRH Poseidons, and NTMWD South Mesquite Rangers! Texas had the largest representation at the conference and took home the most hardware, with the vast majority coming right back here to the DFW area! Our SMU student design team made us proud as well!

We have numerous volunteer opportunities for those wishing to get involved. Some opportunities require more work than others, but all offer chances to get to know some genuinely fine people. Call or email me if you'd like to get involved! I look forward to seeing everyone at Opstoberfest and at our November meeting.



Mark A. Perkins, WEAT-NTS President

WEAT-NTS & WEF 2018-2019 EVENTS

Date	Event	Location (*Tentative)	Topic/Speaker (or contact person)
10/26/18	Opstoberfest Cookout	Knights of Columbus Hall—Arlington	Grace Sober
11/15/18	WEAT-NTS Lunch Meeting	Jacobs Engineering Group—Dallas	Matt Penk, Assistant Director of Capital Improvements, Dallas Water Utilities
1/17/18	WEAT-NTS Lunch Meeting	Cowboys Club—Grapevine	Collection System Utility Operations Panel
3/21/19	WEAT-NTS Lunch Meeting	Texas Star—Euless	Julie Nahrgang, Executive Director, WEAT
5/16/19	WEAT-NTS Dinner Meeting (Plant Tour)	NTMWD Panther Creek WWTP—Frisco	Plant tour followed by dinner hosted by NTMWD and Carollo
6/20/19	WEAT-NTS Dinner Meeting	TBD—Fort Worth*	Summer Social

INTERESTED IN MENTORING/EDUCATING?

Are you interested in educating college students about our industry? Contact Allison Blake at Allison.Blake@freese.com to speak at Universities and Colleges around the state!

It's Easy to Join Our Mailing List...

We will e-mail you our newsletter, organization announcements, and other relevant information. Just send your email address by text message: Text [WEATNTS](#) to [22828](#) to get started!

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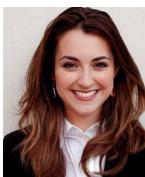
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WEAT/AWWA YP



Thank you to all who joined the North Texas WEAT Young Professionals for the July Rock Climbing Event. The YPs enjoyed an evening of networking and climbing/bouldering.

A special thank you to RPS for sponsoring the event!

Thank you to all who attended the North Texas WEAT and AWWA Young Professionals for a Plant Tour and Happy Hour October 11th! A special thank you to the event co-sponsors, City of Fort Worth and Global WET. The YPs enjoyed a tour of a conventional water treatment plant and an evening of great networking, appetizers, and cocktails at the Brass Tap in downtown Fort Worth.

Continue to check the WEAT-NTS website for upcoming North Texas events!!



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Call for Abstracts

Project Life Cycles— From Planning to Startup

Date: February 12, 2019

Location: Cityplace Events Center, Dallas, TX
2711 N. Haskell Ave., 75204



WEAT-NTS is soliciting speakers for

the February Seminar, featuring topics

that highlight major components of a project life cycle, including planning, funding, design considerations, and construction and startup for the collection and treatment of wastewater.

EXHIBITING, DONATING, AND SPONSORING

Exhibit tables, door prize donations and sponsorship opportunities are available. Contact Lance Klement at LPKlement@GarverUSA.com for details.

SPEAKING

Interested speakers should submit the attached abstract submission form to Noel Pattengale at noel.pattengale@arcadis.com. Please note that time constraints only allow up to 11 20-minute presentations.

DEADLINE

Abstracts must be received by **November 9th, 2018**.

POTENTIAL TOPICS

Master Planning and proactive programs such as CMOM

Alternate funding and delivery mechanisms

Creative design approaches

Construction and startup considerations

CONTACT INFORMATION			
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PRESENTATION			
ABSTRACT (1500 CHARACTER MAX)			

DESCRIPTION OF SPEAKER(S) QUALIFICATIONS AND EXPERIENCE (1500 CHARACTER MAX)

PERSONAL NEWS

WALKER ENGINEERING SPONSORS PHASED IN PROGRAM

Phased IN is a transitional living program for emancipated foster youth. The goal of Phased IN is to assist these young adults in learning basic life skills that will prepare them for independent living. Phased IN will provide housing, education, medical care and life skills training. With the combined partnership of the church, the community, and the State of Texas, Phased IN will embrace these youth who were never adopted to ensure that these young adults achieve self-sufficiency and stability. Finally, Phased IN will provide the most vital and missing dynamic in the lives of these young adults – Family.

Walker Engineering has partnered with Phased in since 2015. We have sponsored and organized the annual DFW golf tournament and clay shoot to raise money for the Arlington campus. Walker has donated all electrical labor and materials for the new Sunrise Arlington campus and has partnered with Phased IN to help anyone in their program find a lasting career in the construction industry. We hope to find other like-minded companies that want to partner with Phased IN to give our sons and daughters a forever family and a future in the Texas construction industry.



THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE WELCOMES ITS NEWEST MEMBERS

Andre Garces — Awards (pictured left)

Steve Golhar — PWO

Have news to share? Send your announcements to Phil Spitzer (pspitzer@ntmwd.com) to be included in the next newsletter.

PUBLIC OUTREACH



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: NOVEMBER 1-3, 2018

CAST 2018 at the Fort Worth Convention Center

WEAT and TAWWA combine forces as the Texas Partnership for Water Education (TPWE) to jointly sponsor a booth at the annual Conference for the Advancement of Science Teaching (CAST). We need **YOUR HELP** at the exhibit booth to pass out materials and talk to teachers about the value of water and how WEAT/TAWWA can support their students.

Please contact [Chris Vela](#) to volunteer



Texas River Cleanup Challenge! **WEAT-NTS Redeem the Stream**

SATURDAY, November 3rd, 2018

8:30AM—11:00AM

- **Location: 1820 Regal Row, Dallas, TX 75235**
- **Joint event by WEAT/AWWA**
- No parking at the site.
- Please plan to meet at the CP&Y Office. A shuttle service will be provided to and from the cleanup site.
- Lunch to follow

Volunteer Checklist:

- ✓ Water bottle 
- ✓ Sun hat
- ✓ Bug spray
- ✓ Sunscreen
- ✓ Long pants 
- ✓ Long sleeves
- ✓ Closed toed shoes/boots,
- ✓ Dry change of clothes if you plan to get wet.

Contact [Chris Vela](#) for more information

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WEAT-NTS offers three levels of sponsorships for the July 2018 – June 2019 year, plus multiple individual sponsorship opportunities.

Sponsorships will support:

- *WEAT-NTS and Daryl Hall Scholarship Funds*
- *Dinner Meetings*
- *Section Activities (Fall BBQ and Sporting Clays Tournament)*
- *February Seminar*
- *Young Professionals*
- *Outreach Programs (Science Fair, Future Cities, Trinity River Cleanup, etc.)*

Classic Dinner Sponsor \$250

- For *One* Dinner Meeting
- Recognition of Classic Sponsors:
 - ✓ Announcement on front page of newsletter (name of firm) for the sponsored meeting
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 - ✓ Display of digital banner at meeting (if supplied) via PowerPoint
 - ✓ Verbal recognition of sponsors by President at the beginning of the meeting

Gold Sponsor \$1,250

- Recognition at **ALL** six meetings (includes Fall Cook-off) (*for the price of five*)
- Recognition of Gold Sponsor is the same as Classic Sponsor at **ALL** six meetings

Other Individual Sponsorship Opportunities:

○ Opstoberfest BBQ Cook-off Sponsor	\$250
○ WEAT- NTS Scholarship Fund Contribution	\$100
○ Newsletter Advertising (6 issues) and website link	\$150
○ NTS February Seminar	\$300
○ NTS February Seminar Table Sponsor	\$500
○ NTS February Seminar Break Area Sponsor	\$1,000

**Daryl Hall Golf Tournament and Sporting Clays events sponsorships are advertised separately.*

Platinum \$1,950

- Recognition as a platinum sponsor at **ALL SIX** meetings, including the fall BBQ
- Recognition of Platinum Sponsor is same as Gold Sponsor, *plus*:
 - ✓ Company name included in all newsletters, meeting announcements, meeting reminder e-mails, and link on website
 - ✓ Display of digital banner at meeting (if supplied) via PowerPoint
 - ✓ Recognition of Platinum Sponsor by President at the beginning of each meeting
 - ✓ Recognition as February Seminar Sponsor including logo display in advertising and at event
 - ✓ Recognition as YP Sponsor, with \$100 from sponsorship being earmarked toward local YP events
 - ✓ Recognition as WEAT NTS and Daryl Hall scholarship fund contributor

SCHOLARSHIP

“WEAT NTS Members...this is an exciting time of the year for the Scholarship Committee! We have evaluated scholarship applications for the WEAT NTS and Daryl Hall scholarships. The primary objective of these scholarships is to help the continuing education efforts of WEAT NTS members, their dependents, and those that work in Operations, Maintenance and Laboratory work at North Texas Water / Wastewater Utilities. Thanks to all of you who support WEAT NTS and the Scholarship Fundraising efforts. We have a robust scholarship program, and we are excited to reward some deserving applicants. **The Daryl Hall Scholarship winners are** Tiffany Tran, Maygan Paul, Rey Davila, McCartney Paul, Ulundra Bowers, and Austin Dennie. **The WEAT Scholarship winners are** Jaben Hodges, Rebecca Zabolio, Grayson Jackson, Kelly Xavier, Kaitlyn Ray, Stephen Hidalgo, Patricia Gorgi, Danielle Holbrooke, Casey Staller, Beatriz Manrique and Elizabeth Sloan.”

Please contact Chris Young, Scholarship Committee Chairperson, at cyoung@apaienv.com or 817.806.1700, if you have any questions.



WEAT NTS JULY 2018 MEETING RECAP

At our July meeting, Steven Duong, with AECOM, discussed how the world's first Hyperloop network is one step closer to reality. The Hyperloop Texas Team brought together strategic partnerships with the University of Texas at Arlington, Dallas Area Rapid Transit, City of Dallas, Austin Capital Metro and the U.S.-Mexico Chamber of Commerce. The proposal seeks to connect the megaregion anchored by Dallas/Fort Worth, Houston, Austin and San Antonio, redefining "nearby" by enabling travel between Dallas and Austin in 15 minutes.

Mark Perkins, NTS President, presented an award to Matt Jalbert, the NTS Past President for his service and leadership for the past year



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