



WEAT

North Texas Section

June Meeting

When: 06/15/2021 from 11:30 AM - 1:00 PM | **Where:** Virtual

Armorock is the market leader of polymer concrete corrosion proof products with their production facility in Sulphur Springs, TX. Join us for a virtual plant tour to better understand polymer concrete material properties and application, how they produce custom monolithic bases and the growing trend towards sustainability. Watch a live acid test like you see [here](#) and literally walk through custom structures for agencies all over the United States. For more information, please visit www.armorock.com.

Prime Controls will also be presenting on their factory acceptance test procedures. From a review of their facilities, the test setup, the FAT execution, the presentation will be an overview of what to expect during factory acceptance testing for electrical control panels.

Northwest Pipe Facility Tour

Northwest Pipe Company will take us on a tour of their Saginaw Facility. The tour will include an overview of a variety of operations including, spiral mill, end prep, hydro testing, cement lining, polyurethane coating, fabrication and storage. Stay tuned for date/time!

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Leadership Message

Message from the **President**



Hello Weat-ies!

You will find this message short and sweet as I recently became a mother for the second time with the birth of Sally Lynn Sober (pictured above). As you can see from the grins, we are enormously grateful and praising God every day for our blessings!

In case you missed it, we held our annual WEAT NTS Sporting Clays event in March. We signed up more shooter participants than ever before and a great time was had by all. Big thank you to Heather Wootton (Garver) and her team of volunteers who continue to make this event a success year after year. A full report with photos is included in the newsletter, be sure to check it out!

We also hosted our first virtual February seminar which gave us the opportunity to share our technical presentations with WEAT members not just in North Texas, but across the state as well. The February seminar is a great reminder of the depth of technical expertise we have in the North Texas Section. Providing opportunities for our members to showcase their expertise and to gain education hours is one of the biggest values our Section provides. Big thanks to Noel Pattengale (Arcadis) for

leading the charge on the 2021 seminar, we look forward to seeing everyone back in person next year!

Finally, I am very excited to announce the birth of the WEAT NTS Social Media Team led by Maria Contreras (Garver) and Rachael Rodgers (Kimley Horn). Rachael and Maria have created a strategic plan for Facebook, LinkedIn and Instagram accounts to help achieve the goals of our Organization. Please use the links below to follow WEAT NTS and stay up to date on our events. Note – we need member feedback and engagement to help this program succeed and grow – please don't hesitate to reach out to the Social Media Team or myself with any questions, comments or suggestions.

New Social Media!

NEW Facebook Page: <https://www.facebook.com/WEAT.NTS/>

LinkedIn: <https://www.linkedin.com/in/weat-north-texas-section-a727701b8/>

Instagram: <https://www.instagram.com/weat.nts/>

Please keep an eye out for our summer and fall meeting announcements as we anticipate returning to in person events. I appreciate your patience over the past year and look forward to seeing every single members big smile again in the future.

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Sporting Clays 2021

The 12th Annual WEAT-NTS Sporting Clays event returned to the Dallas Gun Club on March 5, 2021. A big thanks goes out to our many sponsors, volunteers and participants. This years tournament brought over 129 participants and volunteers making this the largest Sporting Clays event in the last 5 years. This year's sponsors included:

Alpha Testing

Archer Western Construction

Ardurra

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LAN

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Daryl Hall Golf Tournament

Garver

Global WET

Graybar Electric

HDR

Hoffman

McCarthy

Municipal Valve

Pape-Dawson Engineers

Plummer

Prime Controls

The Frier Group

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The Reynolds Company



First Place Team – Prime Controls with an average team score of 99.25



Second Place Team was Archer Western Construction #1 with an average score of 95.25



Third Place Team was BASF with an average team score of 87



Most Improved went to Brian Poarch with an improved score by +14 points.



1st Place went to Josh Childers, with a total of 100 out of 100 clays hit using 3 mulligans.
2nd Place Individual Gary Anglin, with 100 points using 6 mulligans. 3rd Place Individual was Barrett Miller, with 100 points using 9 mulligans.



1st Place Female Colleen Martindale with a score of 43. 2nd Place Female was Nicole Cook with a score of 35.

Award	Team Name	Score
Team - 1st	Prime Controls 2	99.25
Team - 2nd	Archer Western Construction #1	95.25
Team - 3rd	BASF	87.00
Team - Most Honest	Black & Veatch	31.75
Team - 2nd to last	Plummer	38.50
Individual - 1st	Barrett Miller	100
Individual - 2nd	Gary Anglin	100
Individual - 3rd	Josh Childers	100
Individual - Most Honest	Paul Luedtke	4
Female - 1st	Colleen Martindale	43
Female - 2nd	Nicole Cook	35

After a long day of shooting, teams were rewarded with a BBQ lunch provided by BASF. This event would not be possible without our volunteers and willing participants. Thank you again for all who helped to make this event a success. We are looking forward to another successful event next year!

Additional photos from the event can be found [here](#):

How We Got Started

In 1961, the Texas Pollution Control Act established the first true pollution-control agency, the Texas Water Pollution Board which adopted rules and regulations. The Texas legislature passed the Texas Water Quality Act later in 1967 replacing the previous law with more stringent standards.

In July, 1970, President Richard Nixon proposed the establishment of the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and shortly thereafter in 1972, Congress gave the new agency the Clean Water Act (CWA) to administer. A permitting program was established with minimum standards and requirements beyond that depending on the needs of receiving waters. Construction grants were available up to 75% of cost. In 1982, an amendment to the CWA reduced grant eligibility and federal participation to 55%. Further changes in the form of the Clean Water Act of 1987 addressed non-point sources, stormwater, and wastewater treatment residuals. Grants were discontinued in favor of loans from state revolving funds.

Joe G. Moore, Jr. served in the WEAT NTS officer chairs early in the 1990s. Earlier in his career, he provided leadership in drafting Texas' pollution control laws, and served as the chairs of the Texas Water Development Board and the Texas Water Quality Board. While the U.S. CWA was being developed, he served as the Commissioner of the Federal Water Pollution Control

Administration. During the first three years of the implementation of the CWA, Joe served as the Program Director of the National Commission on Water Quality. In short, Joe Moore was in a leadership role for more than a decade developing policy for the most important water quality efforts this country and state has ever undertaken. Joe was an educator for almost 30 years after his government service.



Joe G. Moore, Jr. receiving a speaker's award from Ron Sieger

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Myron Knudson served as the WEAT NTS Section representative to the WEAT Board the same years Joe Moore served in the officer chairs. Myron was the Director of the Water Management Division, EPA Region 6 and was known for his knowledge of water quality regulations and candor in dealing with the regulated community. He encouraged his staff to be active in professional associations, particularly in WEAT NTS.

Our section was fortunate to have such outstanding water quality policy leadership its formative years.

-Paul Roach, Historian



Myron Knudson

WEAT & WEF EVENTS

Date	Event	Location
6/3/21 6/17/21 6/18/21	Biosolids Webinar Series	Virtual Register Here
6/15/21	June Meeting	Virtual Register Here
6/25/21	WEAT-NTS Scholarship Applications Due	Register Here
8/11/21 to 8/13/21	CMOM Conference	Virtual Register Here

Section meetings are typically held in the months of January, March, May, July, October, and November.

Scholarships

The WEAT NTS section has been awarding scholarships on a yearly basis. Two types of scholarships are awarded each year: **Daryl Hall scholarships**, for technical educational programs and the **WEAT NTS scholarships**, for two and four years college degrees. Our recipients are bright and hardworking and we're eager to see what the future holds for them! This newsletter will focus on **Jamie Hopper**, one of our Daryl Hall Scholarship recipients. Check out her story below.

Recipient Name: Jamie Hopper,

Current Employer: North Texas Municipal Water District

Current Position: Environmental Technician II

School attended: Texas A&M University, Commerce

Degree pursued: Bachelors degree in Environmental Science

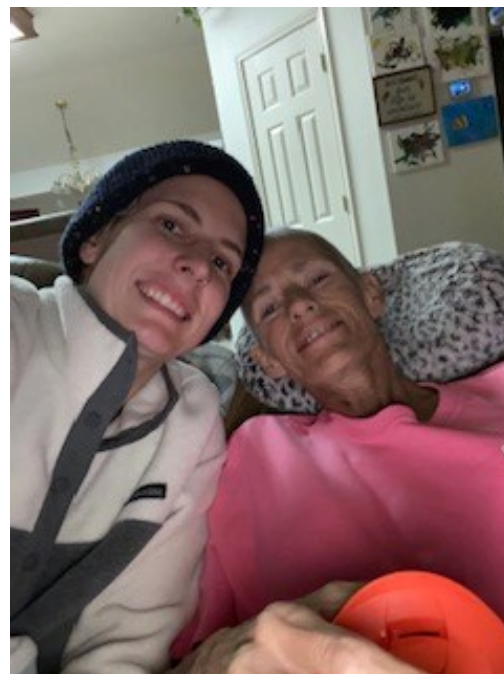
Why did you decide to go into environmental science?

I chose environmental science because I love science in general, but I was having difficulty picking a single major, and environmental science seemed to encompass many aspects that were of great interest to me. I have been satisfied with my decision and have gotten fulfillment during my college career.

When/How did I decide to go back to school?

While working as an environmental technician, I have found a renewed appreciation for clean water and how hard we all work to ensure that North Texans receive it. We regularly take bacteriological samples and check water chemistry to ensure that our member cities are within compliance. We also respond to spills and leaks throughout our system and take measurements and samples as needed. Monitoring and sampling industrial users is also another critical component to ensure public safety and following the Clean Water Act.

It took a long way to get to this point. I spent my 20's married to a Marine and traveling around the world for ten years. It was when I moved back to Texas, I realized I wanted to finally get my degree so I could have a career with longevity and security. It was a difficult road to work full-time and go to school, and has taken me longer than the average student. It has been most difficult this semester with the passing of my mom two months ago, but I promised her I would graduate this spring and be able to start graduate school in the fall, and I know she is still cheering me on.





**Apply for a WEAT NTS or Daryl Hall Scholarship - Deadline is
06/25/2021!**

WEAT North Texas Section is committed to the support of higher education through the WEAT NTS and Daryl Hall Scholarship Programs. The application process is now live for WEAT NTS and Daryl Hall scholarships. Requirements for each scholarship are listed on the application form.

[Click here to apply for a scholarship today!](#)



Call to Action

PWO Committee

The **Professional Wastewater Operators (PWO) Committee** is looking for member involvement and input. If you'd like to be a "voice to the operators" for WEAT, come on by and help us

- 💧 Promote the wastewater operator career
- 💧 Support the Operations Challenge, create new activities, and help grow the skills of wastewater operators
- 💧 Enhance the visibility and recognition of the essential wastewater operators and demonstrate the professionalism and dedication needed to ensure water quality for the public
- 💧 Be the voice of your organization/utility within WEAT-NTS

WEAT-NTS is seeking committee members and bright ideas from our members so we can increase the Operator involvement and participation in WEAT-NTS.

Please reach out to shrirang.golhar@dallascityhall.com, pspitzer@ntmwd.com, or agarces@plummer.com to share your ideas for or interest in becoming a PWO Committee volunteer.

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Personal News



Perkins Engineering Consultants, Inc. is pleased to announce that **Cesar G. Moran, P.E.** has joined the firm as a senior project engineer. Cesar holds a BS degree in Chemical Engineering and a MS in Environmental Engineering. His previous experience includes work for an international beverage manufacturer and serving as a municipal plant and capital improvements engineer. Cesar will be assisting with PECCI's treatment and conveyance projects.

Perkins Engineering Consultants, Inc. is pleased to announce that **James McMillen, Charlotte Smith, Janet Sims and Justin Angel** have become shareholders in the firm. James McMillen, Charlotte Smith and Janet Sims have been named Vice Presidents and Principals of the firm.



McMillen



Smith



Sims



Angel

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Sponsorship Opportunities

WEAT-NTS offers three levels of sponsorships for the July 2019 – June 2020 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
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •For One Dinner Meeting •Recognition of Classic Sponsors: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Announcement on front page of newsletter (name of firm) for the sponsored meeting - Announcement in meeting reminder emails (name of firm) - Display of digital banner at meeting (if supplied) via PowerPoint - Verbal recognition of sponsors by President at the beginning of the meeting 	

WEAT-NTS Scholarship Fund Contributions	\$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

Gold Sponsor	\$1,250
<p>Recognition at ALL six meetings (includes Fall Cook-off) (for the price of five)</p> <p>Recognition of Gold Sponsor is the same as Classic Sponsor at ALL six meetings</p>	

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

Platinum	\$1,950
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Recognition as a platinum sponsor at ALL SIX meetings, including the fall BBQ •Recognition of Platinum Sponsor is same as Gold Sponsor, plus: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Company name included in all newsletters, meeting announcements, meeting reminder emails, 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 	