



# WEAT

North Texas Section



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# Leadership Message

## *Message from the* **President**

I am not an engineer, but I have a passion for water. Those that have been introduced into the water industry quickly catch the bug. I have never met a more passionate group as those in the water and wastewater industry. The water community is connected at all levels. We look out for the best interests of all involved and focus on making a positive impact in protecting the water environment not just in Texas but across the globe. It is this passion and dedication that drives me.

I am not an engineer, but I have pride in the industry. I am proud of what we have accomplished and what we are going to accomplish. From introducing high school students to multiple facets of the industry, establishing formal training programs, and providing scholarships, WEAT is taking an active role in bettering the environment. We genuinely care and our attention to what is happening in the water environment is what makes us stronger. I carry my pride both professionally and personally.

I am not an engineer, but I believe in our mission. Increasing the public's knowledge of and interest in the value of water is a large part of our mission. Providing clean water and keeping critical infrastructure in operations is essential – but we are up against an out of site out of mind mentality with the public. However, over the last few years our role in protecting the public health is gaining in exposure and recognition. I am invested in spreading the word on the importance on protecting the water environment and encouraging others to do the same.

Too often I hear the phrase “I am not an engineer” followed by the comment of feeling like an outsider. I too was once in those shoes, and new to this tight-knit community. I am now a proud and active member of WEAT at both the section and state level. Y'all embraced me with open arms and shared your passions. I hope to do the same for others and spread this love of water that is infectious.

**If you're looking for a purpose or just looking for a place to start to get involved in WEAT, please reach out. It does not matter the niche you fill within this industry, we share the same passion. Take action and get involved!**

It has been a long journey in volunteering with WEAT-NTS to make it to the point I am today. I appreciate the partnership of the Executive Committee and our committee leads that are focused on providing our programs each year. Thank you to those that gave me this opportunity to make a difference and brought me into this world with open arms – I hope to extend the favor.

**Heather Wootton**

# WEAT-NTS & WEF Events

Date	Event	Location
9/15/23	Daryl Hall Golf Tournament	The Links at Waterchase 8954 Creek Run Road Fort Worth, Tx 76420
10/20/23	WEAT-NTS OPStoberfest	Knights of Columbus 2625 S Cooper St Arlington, Tx 76015

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to get started!



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7 am Shotgun Start  
**The Links at Waterchase**  
8954 Creek Run Road, Fort Worth, TX 76420  
Benefiting the Daryl Hall Scholarship Fund



# DARYL HALL MEMORIAL

## 20<sup>th</sup> Annual

# GOLF

# TOURNAMENT

**SEPTEMBER 15, 2023**

## *Sponsorship Options*

## *Extras*

Sold per player

### **\$10 Cadillac Wheel Raffle Ticket**

Winner receives at least half of the pot.

### **\$10 Putting Contest**

Winner of contest receives a prize.

### **\$15 Lady's Tee Box**

Ticket allows one player to tee off from one ladies tee box of their choice.

### **\$30 Activities Package**

Includes one ticket to Cadillac Wheel, Lady's Tee Box, and putting contest.

Day-of registration increases by 20%

## *Pay-to-Play Contests*

**\$10 / Player:** Split the pot.

**\$20 / Team:** Texas Tees on 2 holes.

**\$5 / Player:** Greens for golf balls.

**\$20 / Team:** Crap shoot.

Day-of registration increases by 20%

## *Registration*

**Deadline Date:** September 8, 2023

**Register on-line at:**

<https://form.jotform.com/231938751852162>

Payment by credit card only

### **\$3000 Customized Logo Golf Ball Sponsor (1 available)**

Sponsor's logo and 2023 Daryl Hall Tournament logo will be printed on golf balls. Each player will receive one sleeve of balls and the sponsor will receive extras.

### **\$2500 Scoreboard / Title Sponsor (1 available)**

A large exclusive banner will be posted at registration and on scoreboard. Includes registration for 4 players

### **\$2,000 Hole-in-One Contest Sponsor (1 available)**

An exclusive sign at the teebox and green for this year's feature event -- the \$20,000 hole-in-one. Includes registration for 4 players and 4 activity packages.

### **\$1200 Titanium Sponsor**

Registration for 4 players, 4 Activities Packages and an exclusive sign at one tee box.

### **\$900 Diamond Sponsor**

Registration for 4 players, 4 Activities Packages and a sign at one tee box.

### **\$800 Platinum Sponsor**

Registration for 4 players and a sign at one tee

### **\$550 Gold Sponsor**

Registration for 4 players.

### **\$500 Drink Cart Sponsor (2 available)**

An exclusive sign will be attached to the drink cart.

### **\$400 Crap Shoot Contest Sponsor (1 available)**

An exclusive sign at the tee box and recognition during the awards ceremony.

### **\$400 Long Drive Contest Sponsor (2 available)**

An exclusive sign at the tee box and recognition during the awards ceremony.

### **\$400 Closest To The Pin Contest Sponsor (1 available)**

An exclusive sign at the tee box and recognition during the awards ceremony.

### **\$400 Closest To The Line Contest Sponsor (1 available)**

An exclusive sign at the tee box and recognition during the awards ceremony.

### **\$400 Putting Contest Sponsor (1 available)**

An exclusive sign at the tee box and recognition during the awards ceremony.

### **\$250 Silver Sponsor**

A sign at one tee box.

### **Open donation**

If you cannot participate, you can also give a donation!

**For volunteer opportunities contact:** Agasta Ristow at (469) 640-6593 or [aristow@ardurra.com](mailto:aristow@ardurra.com)

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# June Meeting Recap

We are seeing an increase in registrations across the board at our events compared to previous years. Our June meeting was no different. There were 123 pre-registrations for this month's event, nearly doubling the registrations at the 2022 June meeting. This meeting covered our nominations for new executive committee members. Rami Issa read out the recommendation from the nomination committee. No nominees were submitted on the floor and the recommendation passed unanimously. The 2023 – 2024 WEAT NTS Executive Committee includes:

- ◆ President – Heather Wootton, Kimley-Horn
- ◆ President-Elect – Lance Phillips, Dallas Water Utilities
- ◆ Vice President – Paula Monaco, Plummer
- ◆ Secretary – Sharon Miller, North Texas Municipal Water District
- ◆ Treasurer – Blayne Johnson, Trinity River Authority of Texas
- ◆ Deputy Treasurer – Chris Vela, Kimley-Horn
- ◆ Section Representative – Kaylee Waldo, Upper Trinity Regional Water District
- ◆ Past Section Representative – Andrew Paulson, Signature Automation
- ◆ Past President – Rami Issa, AECOM



UTRWD's Kaylee Waldo presented on "CMAR to Streamline a Multi-Project System Expansion". The presentation covered the rapid growth in Upper Trinity Regional Water Districts' Northeast service area has triggered a variety of expansion-based projects to meet the growing demands. The Northeast Water Reclamation System Expansion Project includes three unique projects including an 8.0 MGD plant expansion, new parallel interceptor, and new lift station/force main. Ultimately, the Construction Manager at Risk (CMAR) alternative delivery method was selected to mitigate supply chain impacts and streamline project coordination between the projects with similar implementation timelines. The presentation discussed the Northeast Water Reclamation System Expansion Project as well as the District's history with CMAR and the lessons learned along the way.

Thank you Kaylee for presenting at this month's meeting!



Vice President Paula Monaco, Plummer  
Section Representative Kaylee Waldo,  
UTRWD



# JULY HAPPY HOUR

**The Rustic**

3656 Howell Street  
Dallas, TX 75204

**July | 27th | 6:00 - 7:30 PM**

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We can't wait to see you there!

# Blast from the Past

## Early History of Daryl Hall Family Scholarship Fund

Daryl Hall was a wastewater equipment specialist who was a member of TWUA and WEAT and volunteer for the Operations Challenge. The WEAT-NTS Daryl Hall Scholarship Fund started in 2003 after Daryl Hall was diagnosed with brain cancer. The fund was used to establish a college fund for Daryl's son Jared (age 11) and daughter Stephanie (age 9). After the Hall children were secured, the Daryl Hall Scholarship Funds were available to all WEAT-NTS members and children for training and continued education.



Stephanie (daughter),  
Lynne (wife), & Jared  
(son) Hall

Early WEAT-NTS Daryl Hall Memorial Golf Tournament:



# Blast from the Past

## Building an Operator Training Program Across the Texas/ Mexico Border

### BACKGROUND

- ▶ 1995 – Serious Cholera Outbreak in Piedras Negras , MX due to the Operators not understanding the main concepts of disinfection
- ▶ Myron Knudson, EPA Region 6 Water Mgt Division, and former WEAT Section Rep, called Rhonda Harris (VP of WEAT at the time) –
- ▶ Can WEAT/TAWWA help by training the Operators?
- ▶ EPA will PAY for it!

***YES, WE CAN!***

We built a team led by Rhonda Harris, Ron Carlson, Curtis Smalley and Isabel Fung from WEAT, with Carlos Caballero and Gustavo Gallo from SMAAC.

TAWWA assisted with coordination, logistics and translations

### 1995 TO 1997

- ▶ The contract with EPA included both WEAT and TAWWA
- ▶ The Team led by these folks translated the TEEX Operator Training books to Spanish and built a “Train the Trainer” program:

Basic Water

Basic Wastewater

Water Laboratory

Wastewater Treatment

EPA Pretreatment Manual

- ▶ The first training classes were held in Piedras Negras in late 1997
- ▶ SMAAC took over and expanded the training program, and it is used all over Mexico today!



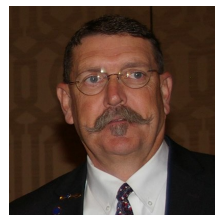
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Myron Knudson



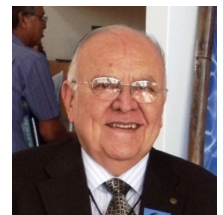
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# Sponsorship Opportunities

WEAT-NTS offers three levels of sponsorships for the July 2023 – June 2024 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.)

<p><b>Classic Dinner Sponsor \$250</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•For One Dinner Meeting</li> <li>•Recognition of Classic Sponsors:             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Announcement on front page of newsletter (name of firm) for the sponsored meeting</li> <li>- Announcement in meeting reminder emails (name of firm)</li> <li>- Display of digital banner at meeting (if supplied) via PowerPoint</li> <li>- Verbal recognition of sponsors by President at the beginning of the meeting</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
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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

<p><b>Gold Sponsor \$1,250</b></p> <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>
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\*Daryl Hall Golf Tournament and Sporting Clays events sponsorships are advertised separately.

<p><b>Platinum \$1,950</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•Recognition as a platinum sponsor at ALL SIX meetings, including the fall BBQ</li> <li>•Recognition of Platinum Sponsor is same as Gold Sponsor, plus:             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Company name included in all newsletters, meeting announcements, meeting reminder emails, and link on website</li> <li>- Display of digital banner at meeting (if supplied) via PowerPoint</li> <li>- Recognition of Platinum Sponsor by President at the beginning of each meeting</li> <li>- Recognition as February Seminar Sponsor including logo display in advertising and at event</li> <li>- Recognition as YP Sponsor, with \$100 from sponsorship being earmarked toward local YP events</li> <li>- Recognition as WEAT NTS and Daryl Hall scholarship fund contributor</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	
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