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May Dinner Meeting

Date: May 21, 2009
Place: City Place, Dallas
Topic: Trenchless Collection System
Rehabilitation—Lessons Learned
Speaker: Steven Schrader, AWU
Social Hour: 5:30 pm
Dinner/Presentation: 6:30 pm
Dinner Tickets: \$20 Members
\$10 Spouses & Guests

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Speaker

The Fort Worth Water Department and Austin Water Utility collectively have substantial experience in the application of trenchless rehabilitation technologies for sanitary sewers. This presentation addresses the range of trenchless methods of sanitary sewer rehabilitation currently in use (e.g., pipe bursting, slip-lining, cured-in-place linings, spiral wound PVC liners, microtunneling) and examines the challenges of implementing these methods in real-world situations.



President's Message

Another year has gone by for the North Texas Section and my term as President is ending. I have thoroughly enjoyed this experience and it's been a pleasure working with each and every person involved in this Section, from the members to the executive committee.

The North Texas Section is very proud of our accomplishments this year. The dinner meeting and seminar program this year was outstanding. Darryl Corbin and Gilbert Trejo did a wonderful job lining out the topics and speakers. And we had a record breaking seven recipients for the WEAT NTS Scholarship award this year.

I would like to personally thank John Bennett, Darryl Corbin, Erin Flanagan, Dawn Anderson, Randy McIntyre, and Rebecca Guthrie for serving on the Executive Committee. I would also like to thank Gilbert Trejo for his hard work organizing this year's Sustainability Seminar and David Jackson who has done a wonderful job handling the Scholarship Committee. Holly Ingram has done an awesome job producing the electronic newsletter and website. Rene Aguilar has continued work with the Public Education Committee and Mira Victor has done a great job her first year with Young Professionals. A big thanks to Malcolm Cowdin for taking great snapshots at all the dinner

meetings. We look forward to seeing them in the Newsletters. Each of these individuals helped make this year a success and I have enjoyed working with them. And, with the nominated slate of new officers, we look to have a great year next year. I also would like to thank CDM and the Fort Worth staff for supporting my involvement with WEAT-NTS.

I hope everyone is planning on attending this month's dinner meeting May 21st at CityPlace. This is the last meeting of the year and we will be voting on the new slate of officers. The 2nd place winner of the WEAT Stockholm Junior Water Prize Texas State Competition will be recognized at the meeting. You can contact me at Robinsonar@cdm.com for reservations.

Thank you all WEAT-NTS members for your support. It has been an honor serving as President for such a pleasant group of people.

Amy Robinson
President 2008-2009
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Highlights from the WEAT-NTS March Meeting

Darryl Hall Golf Tournament

John Bennett stated that the Darryl Hall Golf Tournament would be held on Friday, September 25th. Please mark your calendars for this charity event!



2008 Darryl Hall Tournament Winners
From Left to Right: Scott Long, Wayne O'Rear,
Mike Young, and John Bennett

Officer Nominations

Two WEAT-NTS officer positions are open for nominations this year: Secretary, Vice President, and President Elect. Voting to be conducted at the May 2009 Dinner Meeting.



Microconstituents Presentation

Glenn Clingenpeel with the Trinity River Authority and Lorien Fono with Carollo Engineers co-presented on Biotransformation of Wastewater-derived Micro-Constituents in the Trinity River. Mr. Clingenpeel provided a general overview of microconstituents while Ms. Fono focused on her graduate research study of the Trinity River and microconstituent biodegradation.



Left to right: Lorien Fono, Glenn Clingenpeel,
and John Bennett



Photos courtesy of Malcolm Cowdin, TRA

WEAT-NTS Awards Presented at Texas Water 2009

President's Award Recipients

Trooper Smith
Malcolm Cowdin
Ray Longoria
John Bennett
V.K. Gupta

Other Awards Presented



TRA Central - Ronald B. Sieger
Biosolids Management Award



Alan Plummer - Lifetime Achievement Award



Ron Lucero - Outstanding Municipal
Operator of the Year Award



Trooper Smith - Emerging Leader Award



TRA Denton Creek
George W. Burke, Jr. Award

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**Steve Hodges and Andrew Esquibel,
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**TRA CReWSers and Management Recognized
for 1st Place in State Competition**



**Betty Jordan accepting WEAT Presidency
from Brad Castleberry**



**Dallas Aquatecs Place
Second Overall at State Competition**

Photos courtesy of John Jadowsich - TRA

Liquid Assets Available to Community Cable Channels

On May 1, Penn State Public Broadcasting began granting community cable channels permission to air the award-winning *Liquid Assets* program. This 90-minute documentary is an excellent mechanism to communicate the importance and growing needs of our water infrastructure to the public. Municipalities interested in broadcasting *Liquid Assets* should contact Greg Peterson with Penn State Public Broadcasting at GregP@psu.edu.

Additional information including a trailer of the documentary and a “community toolkit” designed to help municipalities get the most out of the program can be found at: <http://liquidassets.psu.edu/>.

Announcements

FROM THE D/FW METROPLEX

Dallas Water Utilities announces the following retirements and appointments.

Ted Kilpatrick retired from Dallas Water Utilities effective May 6, 2009 with 25 years of service with the City of Dallas. Mr. Kilpatrick served as the Program Manager for the Eastside Water Treatment Plant for the past 17 years. Randall Payton, the Program Manager of the Distribution Division of DWU, will serve as Interim Program Manager for the Eastside Water Treatment Plant until a permanent manager is selected.

Robert (Bob) Johnson retired from Dallas Water Utilities effective April 30, 2009 with 25 years of service with the City of Dallas. Mr. Johnson served in various capacities throughout DWU wastewater design, construction inspection, project management, distribution and administration divisions. His most recent assignment was as the Program Manager of the Reuse Program. Fariborz (Farr) Fakheri has been selected as the new Program Manager of the Reuse Program. Mr. Fakheri has 27 years of service with DWU and has broad experience in wastewater planning, design, construction and operations, including ten years as Plant Manager of the Southside WWTP and more than ten years in the Wastewater Facilities Project Management program.

Alan Plummer Honored with Lifetime Achievement Award for Regional Water and Wastewater Solutions

Alan H. Plummer, Jr., PE, BCEE, of Alan Plummer Associates, Inc., was honored with the 2009 Lifetime Achievement Award by the Water Environment Association of Texas (WEAT) at Texas Water 2009™ in Galveston on April 15, 2009. The WEAT Lifetime Achievement Award recognizes an individual who has demonstrated meaningful and substantial contributions toward the improvement of the water environment via a distinguished career in the wastewater industry. Plummer's recognition stems from his ability to envision long-term water and wastewater needs and provide an innovative eye for special needs and solutions for individual municipalities in the context of the region as a whole.

MWH Adds Bob Johnson, P.E. to its Dallas Office

MWH, a global provider of environmental engineering, construction and strategic consulting services to the wet infrastructure industry is pleased to announce the addition of Mr. Bob Johnson to its Dallas office as a Client Service Manager.

Mr. Johnson brings over 26 years of experience in many areas of the public service field as a manager, executive and Professional Engineer. Mr. Johnson most recently served as the Recycled Water Program Manager for Dallas Water Utilities, where he was responsible for managing the existing recycled water program and developing growth of the new City program by implementing the Recycled Water Master Plan.

In his new role with MWH, Mr. Johnson will be responsible for efforts in building and maintaining strong client relationships and overseeing conveyance opportunities throughout the state of Texas. He will also lead business development activities and oversee a wide variety of engineering and construction projects related to conveyance. Mr. Johnson can be reached by calling MWH's Dallas office at 214.360.9929.

APAI Adds Five New Shareholders

APAI shareholders are employees of the firm that have demonstrated their commitment to a high standard of excellence. Joining the 32 existing owners of the firm are **Josh Frisinger, PE, Bill Manning, PE, John Minahan, PE, Mike Wagner, and Vickie Wakeland.**

Freddie Guerra Joins CP&Y, Inc.

CP&Y, Inc., is pleased to announce that Freddie Guerra has joined our firm as Vice President in the Dallas Environmental Division. Freddie has over 13 years of experience as a consultant and diverse experience with a large municipality. He has experience in both the regulatory and technical aspects of wastewater and water quality impacts including development of discharge permits in accordance with federal and state water quality regulations, receiving water quality modeling, development of TMDLs, wastewater treatment system analysis, and facilities planning .

Announcements continued

WEAT E&I Committee Seminar

The E&I Committee of WEAT will be sponsoring its second seminar of 2009 later this month. This seminar will be more general in nature, and we have three topics to be presented which we hope you will find very interesting. Our presenters and topics are:

- Boy London (First Southwest Company) – Economic Outlook for the Water / Wastewater Environment in Texas
- Carol Batterton (Exec Dir – WEAT) – State Legislative Activity as it Affects the Water / Wastewater Environment in Texas
- George R. Bonnett, PE (Training Mgr - Public Works Disaster Management Program) – Real World Security Considerations for Water / Wastewater Operations in Texas

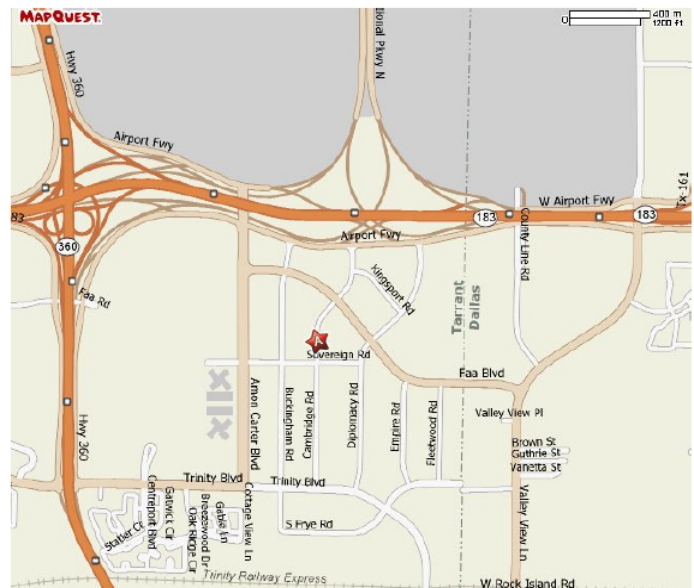
The meeting details are:

Date: Wednesday, 20 May 2009
 Presentation: 09:00AM – 12:30PM (Lunch provided by Speco Technologies and Keyscan following presentations)
 Location: Graybar
 4601 Cambridge Road
 Fort Worth, Texas 76155 (Just south of D/FW Airport)

Please put this on your calendar. For more information about this seminar, or about other activities of the WEAT E&I Committee, please contact anyone on the committee:

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Please RSVP to George Luke if you will be able to attend this seminar.



Mike Mocek Joins APAI

Mike Mocek, PE, recently joined APAI as a senior project manager and works on water resource planning projects. Prior to working for APAI, he worked for the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers as chief of the Programs and Project Management Division in the Fort Worth District. While with the Corps, he managed a multi-billion-dollar planning, design, and construction program of water resource projects in Texas and military construction projects on Army and Air Force installations in Texas, Louisiana, and New Mexico. Noteworthy projects completed or underway during his tenure include:


- ★ Joe Pool, Ray Roberts, and Jim Chapman Lakes;
- ★ Modification and restoration of Federal floodways in Dallas, Fort Worth, and San Antonio;
- ★ Training, housing, administrative, and maintenance facilities at Fort Bliss to accommodate an influx of 20,000 soldiers and their families; and
- ★ Clinical, administrative, housing, and educational facilities in San Antonio to enable consolidation of Department of Defense medical training.

**BPAT Refresher,
 May 12th-14th 8am-5pm
 Tuesday-Thursday**


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 8am-12pm Thursday**

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


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WEAT-NTS Calendar of Events

May 21, 2009	City Place	WEAT-NTS	Trenchless Collection System Rehabilitation—Lessons Learned Steven Schrader, Austin Water Utility
July 16, 2009	Texas Star	WEAT-NTS	TRA CRWS On-Site Storage Basin—From Concept to Design— Presented by TRA, FNI, CP&Y & APAI
September, 2009	TBD	WEAT-NTS	Picnic and Cook-off
November 19, 2009	TBD	WEAT-NTS	Dinner Meeting

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