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Chair's Corner



Marty Wessler

It's a great time to be water professionals in Indiana! As individuals, we have numerous challenges in our daily work lives (limited budgets, frustrated customers, unavoidable emergencies, etc.); however, we are blessed to have access to clean drinking water without having to walk miles to get it. We are blessed to have customers who provide the revenue stream to fund our utility budgets and community members who are willing to volunteer their time to serve on those boards that govern our utilities.

The Indiana Section AWWA is blessed and challenged as well. Thank you to all of our volunteers who dedicate their time, both through their companies and personally, to maintain and improve this great organization. As we deal with challenges from the diminishing amount of time we have allotted to carry out our tasks, the executive board studied the effects of reduced volunteerism in our programs. Last summer Past Chair, Ted Miller, commissioned an ad-hoc committee to study the administrative needs of our section. This committee's members recommended the Section create an executive administrative position. This person will be the "face" for the Indiana Section and will assist the executive board, committee chairs, and our member utilities with promoting the benefits of AWWA membership. We anticipate filling this position in time for the spring district meetings.

Special points of interest:

- Call for Abstracts, 2015 AWWA State Conference, pages 10-11
- Hoosier Water Drop, page 23

I am honored to serve as your State Chair this year. A large number of more worthy people have served before me as Chair of this Section, and I thank them for their service and for their wisdom and guidance as I begin my service. We have so many reasons to be proud of our organization - an annual conference that is recognized across the country as "the best", a large contingent of dedicated volunteers, and a very involved Water Utility Council. Here are three goals I look forward to achieving this year.

The first goal is to increase active participation in our committees. Although we have a number of committees with actively involved chairpersons and committee members, we also have a few committees where almost nothing is happening. This year we will be asking the volunteers from our active committees to assist with reactivating those committees that have become stagnant. We will also focus on increasing the participation from our Young Professionals, combining their youthful exuberance with the wisdom of our more "experienced" members. I am pleased to welcome two new committee chairs to our Section this year - Tim Hill as District Committee Chair and Dylan Lambermont as the permanent Technical Program Committee Chair. I also want to thank Bob Waples for his years of service as District Committee Chair.

The second goal is to update the website. As our world becomes more technologically driven, we must embrace this technology and provide our members with the benefits it provides. Our Website Committee Chair, Charlie Chapman, is making great strides to update our website. The new site will provide online registration and payment for the annual conference, district meetings, the Indiana Section Water For People golf outing, and educational seminars. The site will enable access to additional AWWA information, which will provide other benefits to our members. We look forward to the new website being active before our spring district meetings!

The third goal is to increase advocacy for our profession. This February, I was witness to the incredible job our Water Utility Council does in protecting our members from harmful legislation. I tip my hat to John Hardwick and Mike Simpson for their very effective roles in educating our state legislature members in the importance of clean drinking water. Senators Ed Charbonneau of Valparaiso and Jim Merritt of Indianapolis worked with us to fight harmful legislation this year, and we look forward to working with them and others to provide safe, long-term, reliable drinking water sources for our entire state.

God bless you in all you do

Direct from the Director

Mike Simpson

What a winter, it seemed like it would never end! Yet, spring is here and so much has happened in the Section and Association.

In my last article, I mentioned AWWA's newest campaign, "The Value of Water" with a coalition of partners to continue to raise the profile and importance of our industry. That campaign continues to push forward and I wanted to remind you to go to www.thevalueofwater.org and take advantage of the materials and information on the website to raise the profile of your utility.



At the Winter Board meeting in Austin, a great deal of business was covered from Awards to Standards to the AWWA's fiscal health. During the meeting, the board discussed the expanding the reach of AWWA on the international stage. We will begin this process exploring opportunities in the country of India. This endeavor will raise the profile of AWWA and help us to expand our reach outside of North America. This is a good thing for our Association and all members. The board continues to explore expanding our educational offerings for operators, especially small systems. Professional Staff is pursuing these offerings and will be reporting to the board in June. AWWA is strong and vibrant and is moving in a forward direction on many fronts for the benefit of us all.

The Association, through both the Strategic Plan and the Special Presidential Panel 2, has developed a new branding plan to further identify our organization. The Section has already begun the process by redeveloping the website and working on letterhead and other published items. Branding is essential when identifying leaders in a particular industry. This move will help us standout and let people know who we are.

Speaking of the Strategic Plan, the Section's committee has begun the process of updating our plan and we have an opportunity to set some lofty, yet achievable goals. Should you have any suggestions or ideas, please feel free to contact me.

As I write this article, I'm packing to leave for AWWA's Fly-In to Washington, D.C. Along with Water Utility Council Chair, John Hardwick and Vice Chair, Phil Smith, we will meet with senior staff members of our congressional delegation and both our senators. We will be promoting the Water Industry Finance and Innovation Authority (WIFIA) legislation which is currently in the House-Senate Conference Committee. We will also be promoting the "Value of Water" and the "Economic Power of Water". Our Water Utility Council does a marvelous and important job and visiting Capitol Hill is an important part of the process.

Volunteerism, this is the key to success in any organization. The Indiana Section AWWA is no different and your participation is critical to our success. There are many opportunities and ways that you can volunteer; but, the most important thing is that you do just that, volunteer. From my prospective, volunteering has given me more than I have given it. More importantly, it has given me friends and that is worth its weight in gold.

"Water is the key to life, without it nothing grows". Thanks for being part of the Indiana Section AWWA and most importantly thanks for the job you do protecting and providing safe water.



"Mike, you need to smile now."

*A great leader always has a
good support team.*

Awards

Dan Hood, Chair

2014 Awards Committee:

Dan Hood, M.E. Simpson Co., Inc.
Phil Smith, Smith Group Consulting, Indianapolis
Curt Kent, Peerless-Midwest
Odetta Cadwell, IRWA
Neal McKee, American Water

Paul Hartman, Logansport Municipal Utilities
Steve Fickle, Aqua Indiana
Dawn Keyler, HNTB
Tim Nelson, Midwestern Engineers
Stacy Jones, IDEM Drinking Water Branch

Prime Mover Award

The purpose of this award is to recognize outstanding utility men and women in small communities who, through their efforts, provide safe water supply to their customers. To qualify, the population of the community or system served shall not exceed thirty three hundred (3300) people. The candidate shall have worked for the utility for at least five (5) years, and shall have exemplary service through personal effort in providing the community with a continuous safe water supply. The Prime Mover Award is presented at the Fall District Meetings.

For 2013, the Northeast District award winner is Larry Oberley, Monroeville Town Superintendent.

Water Wheel Award

This award is presented to members of the Indiana Section AWWA, who, over the years, have untiringly served the Section; but who have not previously been recognized. To qualify, awardees shall have been a continuous AWWA member for at least five years. Awardees shall not have been an officer of the Indiana Section or a Fuller Awardee in the past. District officers are eligible. The Water Wheel Award nominees remain secret until presentation Awards Luncheon during the Annual Section Meeting.

The 2014 Water Wheel Award recipients are:

John Wiltrot Rick Seal Chuck McIntire Laurie Webb Beth Patz Marvin Shepherd

George Fassnacht District Achievement Award

This award bears the name of a man who encouraged attending District Meetings as a means to reach small system operators. The Indiana Section also encourages attending District Meetings and in the spirit of competition, recognizes the Section District with the highest percentage increase in attendance over the previous calendar year. To qualify, each District submits their spring and fall district meeting attendance rosters to the Awards Committee. These attendance numbers are compared to the previous year's total. The District with the highest percentage increase in attendance will remain secret until announced at the Annual Section Meeting Awards Luncheon. The winning District's name and year will be placed on the District Achievement Award plaque.

The 2013 District Achievement Award recipient is the Southeast District

Hoosier Water Award

This is an award of distinguished achievement to those who have demonstrated outstanding service supporting the principles of both Indiana Rural Water Association and the Indiana Section AWWA in providing better water for the State of Indiana. Eligibility: all members of both IRWA and the Indiana Section AWWA who have made outstanding contributions to the water industry and also achieved recognition as professionals in the industry and the Associations. Outstanding service is considered to be distinguished, long-term voluntary service in a leadership capacity within IRWA and the Indiana Section AWWA. Serving as an officer in an Association is not a prerequisite. A plaque and subsequently a pin will be presented at each Association's Annual Conference. The Hoosier Water Awards Committee will coordinate the presentations.

The 2014 Hoosier Water Award recipient is Alan Wiseman, Citizens Energy Group

AWWA Hoosier Crew – Oar Award

This award is presented Indiana Section AWWA members, who volunteer for the good of the section year after year; but, who have not previously been so recognized. To qualify, awardees are an AWWA member and a dedicated volunteer for at least ten (10) years. The AWWA Hoosier Crew Award nominees remain secret until presentation of the Annual Section Meeting Awards Luncheon.

The 2014 Oar Award recipients are:

Rosemary Smud – AWWA VP Tim Hill Duane Gilles Ed Nugent Stacy Jones Roger Riddle
Doug Karst Cathy Lance Tom Curtis – AWWA Deputy Exec. Director

The Award of Merit

This is an award of achievement for those outside the water industry, who have demonstrated outstanding service in supporting the principles of the Indiana Section AWWA in providing better water for people. Any individual, group, or organization that has made a notable and outstanding contribution to the water industry is eligible. The nominee cannot be employed in the water industry.

There were no nominees for 2014

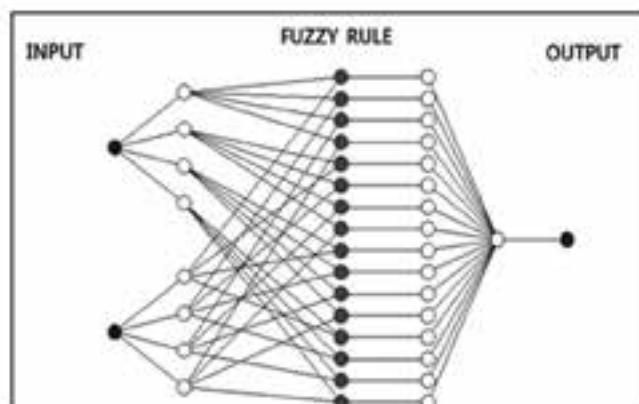
Application of Fuzzy Logic Approach to Reach Advance Water Utility Asset Management

The water infrastructure plays a primary role in our society for basic sanitation, health development, economic growth, and quality of our life. This infrastructure system has deteriorated over time, and municipalities and utilities need to choose appropriate strategies to address this complex infrastructure in a sustainable manner. The D rating of drinking water infrastructure in the American Society of Civil Engineering (ASCE) report card of 2013 demonstrates the fact that the majority of this complex infrastructure is deteriorated and the City of Indianapolis is not exempted from this situation.

Riverside Watershed Environmental Living Lab for Sustainability (RWELLS) was established at IUPUI during Fall 2012 in order to address Riverside neighborhood challenges in Indianapolis (such as, quality of life, poverty, energy waste, water, carbon emission). RWELLS has concentrated on water and wastewater infrastructure in order to help utilities implement an Asset Management Plan (AMP). RWELLS is seeking a systematic and comprehensive framework to help water utilities on prioritization of maintenance and rehabilitation activities through a fuzzy logic approach.

The application of "fuzzy logic" is gaining immense importance in the asset management area over in the last couple of years. The benefits of this type of approach to explain the system can help to develop a condition assessment program. The proposed fuzzy logic model in this project will be built on "if-then" rules. The input for this methodology will be the physical parameters of pipe age, pipe size, pipe materials, etc., condition parameters such as break history, leak data, etc., and construction parameters such as construction condition, level of construction oversight, etc. The input variable will be applied to a linguistic fuzzy logic approach such as "if the pipe material is PVC, then it has low priority." After the defuzzification process, the output as a high priority area for maintenance purposes will be recognized. In order to validate the model, the GIS data for the water pipeline system in the Riverside neighborhood in Indianapolis will be utilized.

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NEW BUY AMERICAN REQUIREMENT ENACTED FOR SRF LOANS

(reprinted from Indiana Rural Water Association's Information of Interest e-newsletter dated 2/25/14, originally provided by www.SmallWaterSupply.org and edited by Indiana SRF)

In the federal budget passed by Congress on January 17, a Buy American requirement for State Revolving Fund loans was imposed. The information about how this will be implemented is still coming out from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), but it will have an impact on a number of pending Clean Water and Drinking Water SRF projects.

The new Buy American requirement applies to iron and steel products, but not all manufactured goods (as was the case during the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) period when SRF last had Buy American). These products include such items as pipes and fittings, manhole covers, hydrants, tanks, flanges, pipe clamps, valves, structural steel, reinforced precast concrete, and other construction materials.

A waiver process will be in place for cases where the EPA determines that applying Buy American would be inconsistent with the public interest, there is a lack of availability or quality of U.S. made products, or inclusion of iron and steel products produced in the U.S. will increase the cost of the project by more than 25%. The waiver process will include a public comment period.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION FROM INDIANA SRF -- On January 17, 2014, H.R. 3547, "Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2014," (Act) was enacted. This Act contains language that impacts the State Revolving Fund Loan Program (SRF). Generally speaking, all of the iron and steel products used in SRF projects, financed after January 17, 2014, must be manufactured in the U.S. This provision will be referred to as the 2014 Buy American Requirement. This new requirement is not to be confused with the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) Buy American requirement which, in addition to iron and steel products, required all manufactured goods to be produced in the U.S. The new Act does not require "manufactured goods" to be produced in the U.S. Please refer to this link <http://www.in.gov/ifa/srf/index.htm> where SRF will include guidance from EPA and other 2014 Buy American information. If you have any questions about the 2014 Buy American Requirement contact Indiana Finance Authority Compliance Officer, Amy Henninger, at (317) 232-6566.

Operator School

Alan Wiseman, Chair

Our committee met recently at the Annual Conference in February at the Indianapolis Downtown Marriott with several instructors and representatives of IDEM's Drinking Water Branch in attendance. The hot topic this year is IDEM's review of the operator certification distribution exams (DSS/DSM/DSL) with a future possible outcome of developing exams in-state. Many thanks to Sherri Winters and the Drinking Water Branch, who are leading the effort to survey and explore this option. In the long-run, we think this will make for much improved exams and lead to the development of better study resources.

In conjunction with the Education Committee and IDEM, the Operator School Committee will conduct a one-day Spring Refresher on April 23rd at IDEM's Shadeland Office – 2525 N. Shadeland Avenue, Indianapolis. The spring exam is Thursday, May 1st. Please see the Section website for registration details or contact Alan Wiseman at (317) 400-2922. Our main event, the Fall Water Operator School, a.k.a. the 'Short School', is scheduled for August 2nd through October 31st. Watch for the announcement in May, which will be published to the Section website and mailed to key stakeholders. The Fall Water Operator School consists of 72 hours of comprehensive instruction focusing on water treatment and distribution along with source of supply, regulations, chemistry and operator math. The courses specifically tailored to assist the operators preparing for fall operator certification exams. The fall exam is November 6, 2014. Depending on course registrations, we plan to conduct training at the following locations this year:

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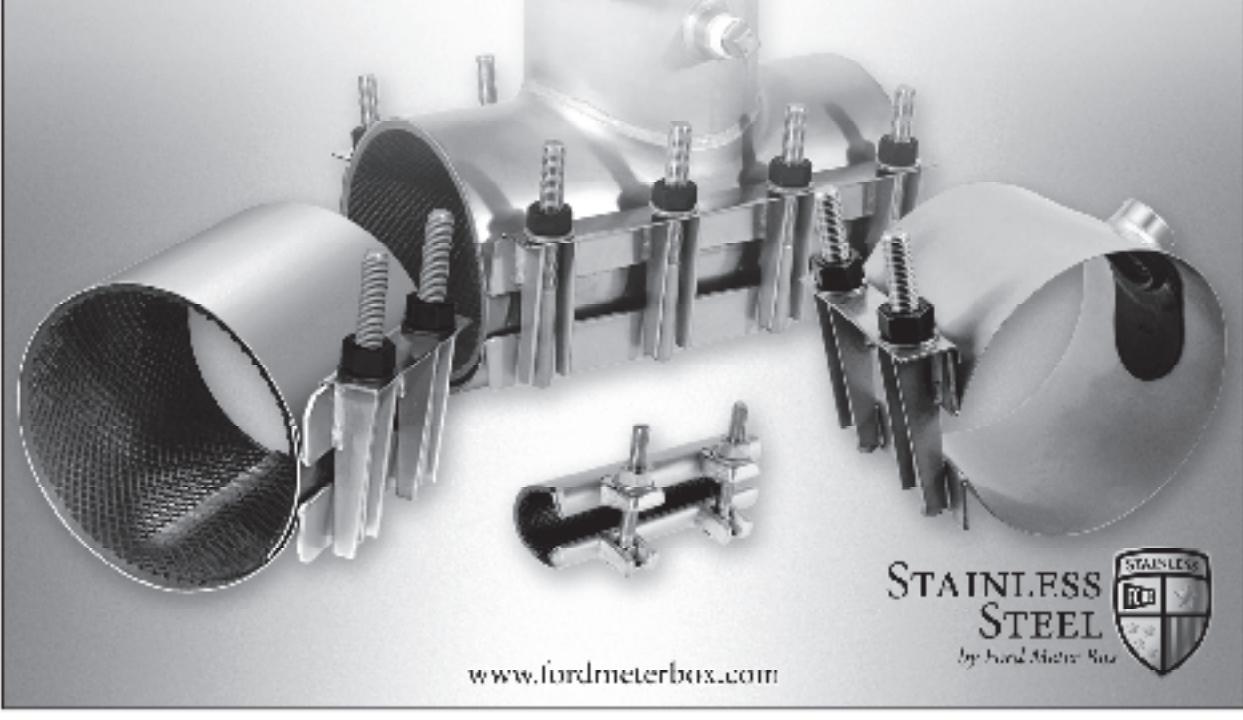
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Northwest District

Mark Nye, Trustee

The Northwest District spring meeting will be held Friday, May 16, 2014 at Christos Banquet Center, 830 Lincolnway E., Plymouth, IN 46563. Located in the Eastern Time zone, meeting registration begins at 8:30 A.M. EDT with the call to order at 9:00 A.M. EDT

During the February Conference the Northwest District officers, Mark Geskey, Elizabeth Patz, Matt Vanderstar and Cathy Fejer met to begin planning the spring meeting. We are targeting the following topics:

- Developing and Maintaining a Well Field
- Communications
- Safety -Traffic Control

We are excited about the program. Please mark your calendars for this meeting and don't forget to pre-register. Registration details will be mailed to Northwest District members soon!

Central District

Steve Clossin, Trustee

The Central District is very excited about 2014. We had a great State Conference already and the meeting on May 14th at the American Legion in Speedway looks to be good. For this meeting, we already have speakers arranged with safety being the theme. Along with a good meeting, lunch will be provided and tickets to practice at the Indianapolis Motor Speedway. We will also be drawing for two (2) Rusty Wallace Racing Experience passes. There will also be news about the fall meeting in September. So, put May 14th on your calendar and hopefully we will see a great crowd this spring.

Southwest District

Ed Hollinden, Trustee

The SW District Indiana AWWA Spring Meeting will be held May 7th. It is tentatively planned to be at Idle Creek Golf Course in Terre Haute and hosted by Indiana American Water. Planned speakers and topics, thus far, will be:

Matt Steinkamp from Utility Pipe Sales speaking about the benefits of advanced metering infrastructure (AMI), how they work in general, and the potential return on investment from this technology.

Mike Rhine, Meteorologist with National Weather Service talking about drought conditions and other potential severe weather.

After the meeting, there will be opportunities to tour of the new Terre Haute Wastewater Facility or play golf at Idle Creek Golf Course.

The quarterly water proverb and its meaning:

It leaks water everywhere
Something is not working properly

The advertisement for GAI Consultants features a grid layout. At the top left, there are three small boxes containing the words "energy", "transportation", and "residential". To the right of these is a logo consisting of a stylized 'G' and 'J' intertwined, with the word "gai consultants" written below it. Below the top row are two photographs: one showing a large crowd at a stadium and another showing a wastewater treatment facility with pipes and structures. In the center, a dark rectangular box contains the text "Transforming the communities where we live..." followed by a bulleted list of services: "Water Supply and Treatment", "Stormwater", "Wastewater Utilities", "Flood Control", "Utility Management Consulting", and "Municipal Support Services". To the right of this central text is a photograph of a tall white water tower against a clear sky. At the bottom, a large photograph shows a road curving through a landscape with trees and a body of water. A small text box in the bottom right corner of this photo contains the URL "gaiconsultants.com/waterquality".

Small Systems

Odetta Cadwell, Chair

InAWWA's Small Systems Committee wishes to welcome its newest members Kent Elliott from Banning Engineering and Randy Wynn from the City of Rochester. We also appreciate the commitment of Jeremy Hardy from Commonwealth Engineers who is acting as our Young Professionals Committee liaison.

We continue to focus on our mission of serving and educating small to medium utilities and training associated with water treatment and utility management. It is the intent of our Committee to facilitate and empower utilities to become effective stewards of our water resources.

To this end, the Small Systems Committee will continue publishing FYI-Small Systems. If you are not currently receiving this twice per year publication, please let us know and we will add you to the mailing list, or you can access copies thru InAWWA's website (www.inawwa.org) – click on the Resources tab.

We will also continue to offer training opportunities in 2014 – concentrating on Backflow Prevention/Cross Connection Control and Water Operator Math Refresher. Once the dates and locations are determined for these workshops, we will post them on InAWWA's website, send out notices, etc.

Our Committee will also look at other topics and initiatives as the year progresses.

As always, we would love to know your ideas on how we can better assist small systems and/or topics you would like to see addressed in our newsletter or a workshop setting.

Feel free to contact any of our Small Systems Committee members (http://www.inawwa.org/pages/small_systems_com.php) with your thoughts and ideas.

Membership

Erich Nugent, Chair

During January, February, and March 2014, 16 individual water professionals and 2 named representatives joined AWWA and the Indiana Section for a total of 18 new members this quarter.

Individual Memberships:

Mark Sullivan – Midwestern Engineers
Rick Rogers – Ford Meter Box
Michele Collins – American Structurepoint
Taylor White – RJM Sales & Marketing
Ezat Nayeri – Indiana American Water
Anthony Sebastian – Rockwell Automation
Pam Kirkland – Marion Utilities
James Backer

Eric Cohee – Ford Meter Box
Tim Babb – Ford Meter Box
Jeffrey Hall – Anderson Water Plant
Jeffrey Fager – Indiana American Water
Chris Meyers – Environmental Laboratories
Ali Malek – Indy Zoo
Ed Bukovac – Citizens Energy Group
Don Gramlich

Named Representatives:

Randy Trett – Town of Palmyra Water Works
Joe Elliott – Dupont Water

Please join me in welcoming these newest members to AWWA and the Indiana Section.

Lastly, CALLING ALL STUDENTS! Please remember AWWA student memberships are only **\$10 per year!** This is the best value in the entire water industry!!!!

2015 Conference

Tim Nelson, Chair

107th Indiana Section AWWA Annual Conference is planned for February 17-19, 2015 at the Marriott-Downtown in Indianapolis. The year's theme is '**Pure Tap—Sustaining Life, Encouraging Growth**'.

The Program Committee is now accepting abstracts for presentations.

Following the theme, presenters are encouraged to build presentations promoting the benefits to public health and economic development provided through experienced water treatment, distribution and collection utilities across the US and around the globe.

This year we are looking to involve operators in many of the presentations. Case studies, panel discussions and presentations from (or with) operators and superintendents are encouraged. The goal is to keep attendees engaged in each presentation. So if any field personnel or operators are willing to accept the challenge to present or co-present (keeping it generic), please get involved. Presentations should be 30 to 60 minutes in length and include time for questions and discussion.

2015 topics for the conference sessions include:

- Source Water Protection
- Water Treatment
- Laboratory
- Disinfection
- Safety
- Distribution Systems
- Collection Systems
- Wastewater Treatment
- Sustainable Solutions
- Customer Service
- Public Communication & Outreach
- Government Affairs
- Research & Development
- Utility Management

Abstracts summarizing your presentation should be between 100-200 words. The abstract submittal form and instructions are available on www.inawwa.org. Due June 15, 2014, please forward the completed abstract submittal form and speaker biographies in PDF or MS Word format to tnelson@midwesterneng.com for consideration and review by the Program Committee

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The Program Committee will review each abstract for quality, technical content, and how relative it is to our membership. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Tim Nelson at (812) 295-2800.

ABSTRACT INSTRUCTIONS

Abstracts should be between 100 and 200 words, typed, and double-spaced. Any bibliographic material, graphs, sketches, tables, etc., may be included at this time. This Abstract Submittal Form, or a photocopy of the form, must be the cover sheet for each abstract submitted. Complete submittals should be forwarded as specified on the cover letter. Abstracts will be considered for more than one session. All abstracts must be received by Tim Nelson by June 15th 2014. Please email to tnelson@midwesterneng.com or mail to Tim Nelson, Environmental & Safety Administrator, Midwestern Engineers, Inc., P.O. Box 295, Loogootee, IN 47553. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Tim Nelson at (812) 295-2800.

Criteria for selection of abstracts include the following: originality, technical content, significance of work, and abstract quality.

Upon selection as a presenter, you will be required to provide two (2) copies of your complete paper or outline by October 31, 2014. Failure to do so will result in a substitute paper being selected. Presentation rooms will be provided with the audio-visual (AV) equipment requested by the presenters via this abstract form. The speaker should note on the abstract form all AV equipment needed for the presentation. Every attempt will be made to accommodate all your audio-visual equipment needs.

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Water For People

Jim Williams, Chair

It was a great honor to present Odetta Cadwell with the Kenneth J. Miller Award at the 2014 Annual Conference. This is the highest recognition for volunteer service to Water For People and Odetta is a most deserving recipient. We presented her with the Miller Award pin in Indianapolis and the formal presentation will be Monday, June 9 at ACE in Boston. Be sure to congratulate Odetta when you see her for the great contribution she has made to the work of Water For People.

We were delighted that Vicky Bhogal from Water For People was able to join us at the Annual Conference. Dave Majewski from Mishawaka Water presented her with a nice check for \$1,000 from their annual pie and cobbler sale. Vicky gave an outstanding presentation at the opening session regarding the Water For People model for excellence and her recent trip to India.

Please check out the 2014 list of events here in **News Leaks**. The lineup provides opportunity for involvement throughout the state along with recognition and exposure through corporate sponsorships. Each of these events gets bigger and better every year.

If you would like to know more about our Committee work or if you would like to get involved, drop me a line at james.williams@peerlessmidwest.com. Also, be sure to spend some time at www.waterforpeople.org to learn about what we do and how we do it.

Our next major event is Wine into Water on May 21st in South Bend. I hope to see you there!

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2014 Meeting Schedule

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NORTHEAST Contact: Justin Stouder (260) 488-3983	May 15th (3rd Thursday) Autumn Ridge Golf Club Ft. Wayne	September 12th (7th Tuesday) TBD
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AWWA Golf Outing

Dawn Keyler, Chair

The weather is starting to change to warmer temperatures....a welcome break to our long winter. Spring is here - which can only mean one thing....it is time to get ready for the 18th Annual Indiana Section AWWA Golf Outing!

The 2014 Golf Outing will be held once again at the beautiful Eagle Creek Golf Course in Indianapolis on Wednesday, July 30th. The event will begin with registration at 9:00 a.m. and tee-off at 10:00 a.m. Registration includes your cart, boxed lunch, dinner, putting contest, awards and prizes. Last year we were thrilled to raise \$27,135 through our golf outing to benefit Water For People. You won't want to miss this fun-filled day while raising funds for a worthy cause.

Registration forms are **NOW AVAILABLE** on the Indiana Section website at www.inawwa.org/pages/documents/2014GolfOutingRegPacket.pdf. There are a limited number of foursomes and space is limited, so get your registration in **early**.

If your company is looking for corporate sponsorship opportunities, we have those available as well, from the sponsoring the "water ball" to lunch / dinner sponsorships. There is something for everyone!

For questions, please contact me by email at DKeyler@HNTB.com or by phone at (317) 917-5224.

Don't delay - mark your calendar and send in that registration now! We'll see you Wednesday, July 30th for the 18th Annual Indiana Section AWWA Golf Outing. Thank you in advance for your continued support of this event and Water For People!

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Jeff Peters Receives Fuller Award

This year's Fuller Award winner has been an active member of AWWA for the last 18 years. The award winner has worked on both the public and private side of the water industry and is always willing to share his expertise with others and provide any assistance needed.

Our awardee is a Purdue graduate and a registered professional engineer. We are told that his kids would say: "You don't want to ask Dad a question, unless you really, really want an answer!"

He given his time and talents to the Indiana Section serving as an officer and on numerous committees, including Arrangements, Program, Membership, Nominating, Water Utility Council, and the Finance Committee. Also, he has held every elected office of the Indiana Section including Assistant Secretary Treasurer, Secretary Treasurer, Vice Chair, Chair Elect, and finally Chair – a total commitment of 10 years. He continues to mentor incoming officers by imparting institutional knowledge of the Section and ensuring the continuity of its time-honored traditions.

He has served on the AWWA Standards Committee 263 for HDPE Pipe and Fittings since 1999.

He is a staunch supporter of Water For People through his activities with the Indiana Section Water Buffalos. The members of this group ride their motorcycles to the National Annual Conference meeting up with Water Buffalos from other state sections along the way. They solicit sponsorships which are donated to Water For People. You've probably seen some of them wearing their denim vests with sponsor patches.

He recently celebrated his first wedding anniversary with his wife, MaryJane. For those of you that don't know, they met several years ago while working together on Indiana Section duties.



Congratulatory notes can be sent to
Jeff at Carmel Utilities.

Southeast District

Phil Bonneau, Trustee

The SE District will be holding its Spring meeting on May 8th at the new Columbus Waste Water Treatment Plant. The City of Columbus will be hosting the meeting and providing what I am sure will be excellent food offerings! The presentations for this meeting include:

- Control valve operation and applications, Jim Graber, Cla-Val Corporation
- The Right Tool for the Job, Scott Ham, Silver Creek Water
- Repair products—the right part for the job, Roger Riddle, JCM Industries

Hope to see you there!

Water Utility Council

John Hardwick, Chair

Water Supply Planning's Ally in the Indiana General Assembly

A recent article in News Leaks featured comments by State Senator Ed Charbonneau, who chairs the Senate Environmental Affairs Committee, the Water Resources Study Committee and the Environmental Quality Service Council. He is a strong proponent of water supply planning for our state.

Senator Charbonneau believes that "while Indiana is a water rich state, water is not an unlimited resource and troubling signs are beginning to appear with increasing frequency." Throughout the country, the number of water related lawsuits continue to rise. Lake Michigan has been at historic low water levels, wells are running dry, and several Indiana towns are squabbling over water district territories. Towns such as Avon, Huntertown, Fort Wayne, Newburg and Chandler are concerned about water shortages and are seeking solutions to help deal with anticipated problems.

Senator Charbonneau suggested that our "Wild West" approach is outdated and likely to cost Indiana the tremendous water supply advantage that the state currently enjoys. He went on to say that "we need to clarify roles of local government when it comes to water issues" and that "by failing to deal with the subject in a comprehensive manner we are squandering the great advantage we currently enjoy. The scope of the necessary investment coupled with a much more interconnected society requires that Indiana approach its water resources in a fundamentally different manner."

Senator Charbonneau has authored SB 271, a bill that would send water supply planning issues to an IGA summer study committee. This bill passed the General Assembly and is awaiting the Governor's signature. This effort coupled with the second year IURC reporting of current data from the state's drinking water utilities and the State Chamber's Water Advisory Council work will comprise the work done this year to further the state's water supply planning work.

The Water Utility Council applauds the efforts of Senator Charbonneau and other legislators as we tackle the state's water supply and economic development issues.

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- Cathy Lance - cathy.lance@peerlessmidwest.com

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June - Ride to Ace
in Boston

- Alex Hood - alexh@mesimpson.com
- Jeff Peters - jpeters34@indy.rr.com
- Jim Williams - james.williams@peerlessmidwest.com

IN Section AWWA Golf Outing

July 30

Registrations deadline July 7th

- Dawn Keyler - dkeyler@hntb.com

Run for World Water - Indianapolis

August 23

- Dan Haddock - dan.haddock@layne.com
- Pat Spence - pspence@hntb.com

Concert in Evansville – Johnny Rivers

September 25

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Silent Auction

Cathy Fejer, Chair

Enthusiasm and support for the Water for People (WFP) Silent Auction was evident throughout the Indiana Section's conference in February. The Silent Auction raised just about \$5,000! Without the support and participation of the committee, businesses and donators it would not be a success. Below is list of donors. On behalf of the entire committee, thank you to everyone who had a hand in the WFP Silent Auction success achieved at the conference.

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Competition

Jeff Morris, Chair

The 2013 Meter Madness Competition was held February 12th, 2014 in Indianapolis during the Indiana Section AWWA Annual Conference. The contest was very close again this year. The following participants represented each of the five districts. These individuals competed and won at the meter madness competitions held at each district's fall meeting.

2012 Meter Madness Champion
Northwest District
Central District
Southeast District
Southwest District
Northeast

Brian Miller, City of Ft. Wayne
Don Gellinger, Logansport Municipal Utilities - N
Jerry Smith, Carmel Water
Bill Jones Edinburg Water
Wade Friedman, Dubois Water Utilities
Dan Smith, City of Ft. Wayne



First place went to Wade Friedman with a time of 38.83 seconds with no penalties, Jerry Smith delivered an assembly time of 45.00 seconds with no penalties earning him a second place finish. Brian Miller came in a respectable third place with a time of 53.26 seconds.

In June 2014, Wade will proudly represent the Indiana Section at the National Competition during the AWWA Annual Conference and Exposition (ACE) in Boston. GO WADE!!!

Thanks to all of the contestants for participating and thanks to their supervisors and managers for allowing them to attend the meetings and participate in the competition.

A BIG thank you also goes to the Neptune Technology Group and especially, Ed Nugent and the entire Utility Supply Team for supplying the Neptune Model T-10 meters for this year's competition. Thanks again to everyone involved with this great competition. See you in Boston!!!



Northeast District

Justin Stouder, Trustee

HAPPY BELATED NEW YEAR! Can you believe its 2014! Want some more snow?
Let's start off with a joke.... This is about a guy named Bill.

After his return from Rome, Bill couldn't find his luggage in the airport baggage area. He went to the lost luggage office and told the woman there that his bags hadn't shown up on the carousel. She smiled and told him not to worry because they were trained professionals and he was in good hands. Then she asked Bill, "Has your plane arrived yet?"

Oh snap now that was funny huh? Let's hope we all handle our jobs a little differently than this customer service representative!

The 2013 fall meeting in Fort Wayne was one that left us all proud to be serving in the water industry. The most important component was the individuals who attended. Not just because of record setting numbers; but, because the emotions and connectedness that took place during the meeting. The Hurty, Prime Mover and Iron Man awards were presented with most of us swallowing large slices of humble pie. We admire you Denny Hahn from Goshen and thank you for your service. We are continuing to pray for your family and you.

Make plans to attend the spring 2014 meeting on **Thursday, May 15th at the Autumn Ridge Golf Course** in Fort Wayne. We had over 130 people attend the fall meeting. Let's beat that number for our spring 2014 meeting! **So spread the word**...and maybe it will even be warm enough to golf. If not maybe we can make snow angels or have a snowball fight!

The spring meeting program is coming together with a variety of topics. We are also going to be offering extra continue education units (CEUs) if you want to stick around after the scheduled meeting. Also, one LARGE door prize will be given out and you must be present to win. If you don't show up we might send a water buffalo after you.

Calendar of Upcoming Events

Note: If you have any water industry related events you would like to add to the calendar, please contact Phil Bonneau at pbonneau@ortmandrilling.com.



Indiana Rural Water Association

- June 4, 2014 – Product Solutions for the Water Pro – Utility Pipe Sales; Evansville
- June 5, 2014 – W3 Operator Symposium – Culy Contracting; Winchester
- June 25, 2014 – Topic To Be Determined -- Hammond
- August 7, 2014 – IRWA/InAWWA Operator Boot Camp – Miami County Fairgrounds; Peru, Indiana
- December 8 – 10, 2014 – 2014 Water Institute – Clarion Hotel & Conference Center; Columbus

Please see our website, IndianaRuralWater.org for additional training opportunities.

Alliance of Indiana Rural Water

- **Operator Expos**
Southern Expo, May 15, 2014, Huntingburg, IN
Northern Expo, May 22, 2014, Akron, IN
- **Scholarship Golf Outing**, August 21, 2014, Winding Ridge Golf Course, Lawrence, IN
- **Fall Conference**, September 17 & 18, 2014, Grand Wayne Convention Center, Fort Wayne, IN

Please see our website, INH2O.org for additional training opportunities.

Other Organization's Meetings

- September 9-11, 2014—**IACT**, Ft Wayne, contact Anne Trobaugh, 317-237-6200
- November 19-21, 2014—**IWEA**, Westin Hotel, Indianapolis, contact Scott Grimes, 317-686-2664

The AWWA has many additional meetings held throughout the country on varying topics. Please visit their website at www.AWWA.org to see a listing of all additional opportunities.



Hoosier Water Drop

Jennifer Bailey

Included in the last News Leaks issue, Hoosier Water Drop will be an ongoing feature to inform our IN AWWA membership of public service announcements such as change of employment, responsibilities, awards, death notices, etc. It is not intended to provide free advertising. Submissions will be reviewed accordingly by News Leaks for inclusion in upcoming issues. If you would like to submit a posting for Hoosier Water Drop, please email information to jbailey@structurepoint.com or by phone at (317) 547-5580

Drops for this issue include:



Kevin Roe, Superintendent of Water and Street Departments, retired from the Town of Winamac on January 31, 2014. Kevin has been with Winamac since 1977. We wish him well in retirement.



Commonwealth Engineers has recently hired Toby Church, a licensed professional electrical engineer, whose responsibilities will include electrical / mechanical and instrumentation and control design; energy audits and power quality analysis.



Carmel Utilities announced that Jeff Peters joined the utility as Water Operations Manager on February 10, 2014. Jeff's responsibilities will oversee operations and management of Carmel's Water Department to insure efficiency and resiliency. Jeff is the 2014 Indiana Section AWWA George Warren Fuller award winner, Indiana AWWA Section Past Chair, an avid "Water Buffalo" volunteer, and a proof reader for News Leaks.



It is with great sadness that we announce the passing of John Mugford on April 12, 2014. John was the Utility Director for North Manchester for the past 20 years. In addition to being a tremendous friend and mentor to many in the industry, John had served on Indiana Rural Water Association's Board of Directors since 1997. His friendship and guidance will be greatly missed.



News Leaks wishes to thank Dan McVay and Jamie Frisbey, both of DN Tanks, for their many years of service to News Leaks—their contributions will be missed!

***Do you have something to share with the rest of the industry in the state?
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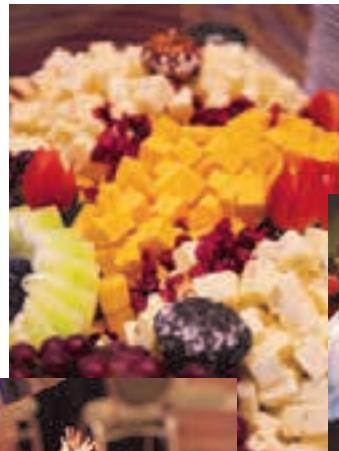
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