



Wine Country Water Works Association

Wine Country Water Works

May 2011

President's Message



Greetings fellow Waterheads,

What a whirlwind since my last letter. Earthquakes the likes of which we've never before seen; Nuclear contamination concerns; Revolution in the Middle East; Unprecedented flooding; Our government on the verge of financial shutdown....

Our hearts and prayers go out to the victims of these events and we can only try to be as prepared as possible for any event which may come our way.

Here in Wine Country the sun is finally starting to shine, the flowers are blooming, the birds are singing, water supplies are replenished, and life goes on.

We had a wonderful training event at the Robinson Rancheria in Lake County on March 30. Thank you, Kathy Richards, for arranging such an excellent venue for this event. The training rooms were well sized and comfortable. The AV equipment was convenient and modern. The refreshments and lunch were excellent. Thanks also to Carmen and her staff for taking such good care of us.

I want to thank our trainers, Adriene Skinner with RCAC; Bruce Borders with Control Systems West and Roxie Pickett from the Town of Windsor for their excellent contributions. Feedback from all the attendees I talked to was very positive.

For those of you who were unable to attend the Lake County event, these trainings will be presented again in September in Napa County. Watch for reminders on our website and in the newsletter.

Speaking of our website, we now have Pay-Pal up and running, so registrations and membership renewals will be able to be done by credit card on-line. Thank you Heather Bracewell for making this happen.

Our Silver Anniversary "Trade Show and Training Symposium" is right around the corner, so save the date (JUNE 8, 2011) for another great day at the Villa Chanticleer in Healdsburg. We have some surprises in store so you don't want to miss this one. Registration forms are attached or available on our website.

We are still in need of representatives from Lake and Mendocino Counties on our Board of Directors and we welcome as many of you as wish to participate in our events and advisory committee, so please step up and do your part to contribute to this most excellent organization. Just send an e-mail to WineCountryWWA@Yahoo.com, to let us know you're interested.

As always I want to thank our Board members for all their tireless support. I look forward to seeing you all in Healdsburg on June 8th.

Russ Van Voorhis
WCWWA President

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2011 Upcoming Events

Sonoma County

June 8th- 25th Annual Symposium & Full Day of Training in Healdsburg

Mendocino County

September (TBA)- Full Day of Training

Napa County

December (TBA)- Full Day of Training

ATTENTION!!!

WCWWA Has a New Email Address!!

WineCountryWWA@yahoo.com

2011 WCWWA Board Members

President:	Russ Van Voorhis, Veterans Home of CA
Vice President:	Hilary French, National Meter & Automation
Secretary:	Hilary French, National Meter & Automation
Treasurer:	Kathy Richards, National Meter & Automation
Board Member:	Mike Bracewell, City of Rohnert Park
Board Member:	Mary Coburn, Town of Windsor
Lake County Representative:	Vacant
Mendocino County Representative:	Vacant
Advisory Committee:	All volunteers welcome
	Heath Blackwell, Town of Windsor
	Michelle Whitman, Best Inc.
	Joe Falejczyk, CSS Technologies
	Bill Robertson, Retired-City of Healdsburg
Special thanks to our webmaster:	Heather Bracewell, Bracewell Consulting

Interested in being on the Wine Country Water Works Board of Directors?

Please let us know!

WineCountryWWA@yahoo.com

(707) 570-2807

Silver Anniversary

25th Annual WCWWA

Wednesday June 8, 2011

Villa Chanticleer

1248 N. Fitch Mountain Road

Healdsburg, CA 95448

Two raffles throughout the day!

Including a \$200 Cash Grand Prize!

All proceeds support our WCWWA Scholarship Fund

Training Schedule

Annex A	Annex B	Tent
Greg Pearson & Patresha Person GREpa Health & Environmental Training Redefining Health & Safety in Drinking Water 8:45-11:45 (3.0 hrs)	Richard Vierra Water Ops School Battle against Patho- genic Microorganisms in Drinking Water 8:45-11:45 (3 hrs)	Alan Tilton, Traffic Engineer Traffic Control 8:45-10:15 (1.5 hrs)
		Bruce Burton & Janice Oakley "What's new in Drinking Water?" Department of Health Services 10:20-11:50 (1.5 hrs)
Lunch, Raffle, Awards, & Scholarships 11:50-1:30		
Michael E. Johnson Aqua-Tech Company Water Tank Maintenance Options 1:30-4:00 (2.5 hrs)	Michelle Whitman Besst Inc. Diagnostic Technologies 1:30-4:00 (2.5 hrs)	Nathan Anderson, Layne Christensen Co. Well Rehabilitation 1:30-2:30 (1 hr)
		Joe Falejczyk, CSS-Technology SCADA in The Internet Age 2:35-4:05 (1.5 hrs)
Grand Prize Raffle in Lobby at 4:15		

25th Annual WCWWA Trade Show & Training Symposium Vendor Registration



Wednesday June 8, 2011

Villa Chanticleer

1248 N. Fitch Mountain Road
Healdsburg, CA

Vendor set-up starts at 7:30 a.m.

**Your 2011 WCWWA Board Members
are here to serve you! Please contact us with any
questions or comments.**

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Company Name: _____

Participant Name: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Phone: _____ Fax: _____ Email: _____

Description of materials or services being exhibited: We will try to accommodate any special needs:

Preferences

- Inside Table
- Outside Table
- Equipment Display Area
- Electricity
- Parking Lot- no electricity

Late Registration Fee: Add \$50 if after June 1, 2011

Members:

1 Table: \$250.00* (1 lunch ticket) \$ _____
 2 Tables: \$450.00* (2 lunch tickets) \$ _____
 Add'l Lunch Tickets: \$30/pp x _____ = \$ _____

Non-Members (Includes 2011 Membership Dues):

1 Table: \$275.00* (1 lunch ticket) \$ _____
 2 Tables: \$475.00* (2 lunch tickets) \$ _____
 Add'l Lunch Tickets: \$30/pp x _____ = \$ _____

Scholarship Donation:

-Please purchase a raffle prize on behalf
of my company for the enclosed amount: \$ _____
 -I will bring a raffle prize (check here)

Late fee if after June 1, 2011 (add \$50) \$ _____
 Total amount enclosed: \$ _____

Please send checks payable to:
WCWWA
PO Box 3475
Santa Rosa, CA 95402
or
View our website & pay
online @ www.wcwwa.org

**New!!!
Pay Online**



25th Annual WCWWA Trade Show & Training Symposium Agency Registration



Wednesday June 8, 2011

Villa Chanticleer

1248 N. Fitch Mountain Road

Healdsburg, CA

Registration starts at 8:00 a.m.

Classes start at 8:45 a.m.

**\$40 per person includes: Fantastic BBQ lunch
and all day training seminars with an
opportunity to earn up to 5.5 Contact Hours!!**

****Payment and registration due by
June 1, 2011****

Agency Name: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Main Phone: _____ Fax: _____

Email: _____

Name (s) of Attendee (s) : _____

(Please attach a separate sheet of paper if more room is needed.)

**New!!!
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2011 SCHOLARSHIP FUND PROGRAM CRITERIA & APPLICATION

Purpose: It shall be the purpose of scholarship awards to foster further education, training, and development beyond high school in the general field of waterworks.

Procedure:

1. The Board of Directors may authorize up to \$1,000.00 per year for scholarships and award up to this amount as determined by the Board.
2. The WCWWA Board Members review applications and select recipients.
3. Each Association member sponsoring a candidate shall submit that candidate's application for scholarship to the Scholarship Committee by May 20th for consideration during the current year. Scholarship to be awarded at the Symposium in June.
4. A candidate can only be awarded this scholarship a maximum of two (2) times.
5. The Association President shall notify award recipient once selected
6. Student must be a US Citizen and a legal resident of California for the last six (6) months.
7. Student must have maintained a 3.0 GPA during their junior and senior years in high school and a 3.0 GPA in any extended education.
8. Students with felony convictions or 2nd misdemeanor or drug offenses will not be considered.
9. Scholarships will be awarded to individuals wishing to increase their education and are currently enrolled in an accredited college or University.
10. Scholarship priority shall be given to WCWWA members and their dependents. Scholarships, however, shall not be limited to WCWWA members or their dependents.
11. Applications for scholarships shall include the following:
 - Name and address of the candidate
 - Name and address of college, university or school to be attended
 - Background information, i.e. schools attended, GPA, achievements, work experience, association or club memberships, career goals, internships
 - Reason for the request, including any financial needs
 - Unofficial Transcripts
 - A summary of how the coursework applies to the industry (1 page, double spaced)

Application: Please attach a separate sheet with all information to satisfy requirements in #11.

Applicant's Name: _____

High School/College: _____

Fall 2011 Class Level: _____

Applicant's Phone Number: _____

Return by May 20th 2011 to: WCWWA Scholarship, PO Box 3475, Santa Rosa, CA 95402

Questions? 707-570-2807 or WineCountryWWA@yahoo.com



2011 Membership Application

Check One: Renewal New Member

Member Name: _____

Title/Position: _____

Company/System Name: _____

Mailing Address: _____

City: _____ Zip Code: _____

Phone: _____ Fax: _____

E-Mail: _____

Website: _____

How do you prefer to receive newsletters and announcements?

Email only: Mail only: Both Email & Mail:

Individual Membership for the 2011 Calendar Year \$25 _____

Individual Membership for the 2011 Calendar Year & Business Card Ad \$75 _____

Total Enclosed \$ _____

- Business Cards are posted on www.wcwwa.org and in our published newsletter.
- Please include your business card with the payment
- Individual memberships only. Sorry, no group memberships.

Water/Wastewater Survey

Ownership: Public Private Mutual

Functions: Water Wastewater

of Connections: Water Wastewater

Business Member Survey

Product/Service:

Interested in providing a training? Explain topic:

Renew your membership TODAY!

Please send this form and check payable to:

WCWWA, PO Box 3475, Santa Rosa, CA 95402

Questions? WineCountryWWA@yahoo.com or 707-575-2807

Wine Country Water Works Association Annual Awards– Award Category Descriptions

SMALL SYSTEM OF THE YEAR

The water system must have at least one current member, have less than 1000 connections, and be located within Lake, Mendocino, Napa or Sonoma Counties.

LARGE SYSTEM OF THE YEAR

The water system must have at least one current member, have 1000 connections or more, and be located within Lake, Mendocino, Napa or Sonoma Counties.

MANAGER OF THE YEAR

The candidate must be a current member of WCWWA and must be employed by a water utility as a Manager.

SUPERVISOR OF THE YEAR

The candidate must be a current member of WCWWA, and must be employed by a water utility as a Supervisor.

OPERATOR OF THE YEAR

The candidate must be a current member of WCWWA and must be employed as an operator with direct responsibility for water quality. The candidate must hold a grade 2 or higher license and show a dedication to the water utility.

OFFICE PERSON OF THE YEAR

The candidate must be employed by a water utility agency and be a current member of WCWWA. The candidate may be evaluated on current customer service as well as design performance of projects long after initial construction.

ENGINEER OF THE YEAR

The candidate must be a current member of WCWWA and show a dedication to the water utility field. The candidate may be evaluated on current customer service as well as design performance of projects long after initial construction.

OPERATOR IN TRAINING

The candidate must be employed by a utility agency, be a current member of WCWWA and show a dedication to improvement in the water utility field. The candidate may be employed as an O.I.T. or hold a grade 1 or higher license.

VENDOR COMPANY OF THE YEAR

The candidate must have at least one current member in the WCWWA and must provide services or goods to other members of WCWWA.

VENDOR PERSON OF THE YEAR

The candidate must be a current member of WCWWA and provide services, goods and exceptional support to other members of WCWWA.

WCWWA SERVICE AWARD

The candidate must be a current member of WCWWA and show an outstanding service to WCWWA.

JACQUE PEACOCK AWARD

The candidate must be a current or past member who has demonstrated years of exemplary service to WCWWA and the water utility field.

MOST CREATIVE SOLUTION

The candidate must be a, or the organization must have at least one current member. The candidate will be evaluated on the application of nontraditional thoughts or processes in reaching a beneficial solution. Creative solutions in the categories of operations, maintenance, management, finance, engineering, and safety (be creative here) will all be considered.

METER READER OF THE YEAR

The candidate must be a current member of WCWWA and show a dedication to the water utility field. The candidate may be evaluated on customer service, accuracy and interaction with fellow staff.

MAINTENANCE PERSON OF THE YEAR

The candidate must be a current member of WCWWA and show a dedication to the water utility field in the maintenance of water utility facilities and/or equipment. The candidate may have primary duties on a field crew or in a maintenance shop.

SPOUSE/ASSISTANT SERVICE AWARD

The candidate must be affiliated with a current member of WCWWA and have shown outstanding participation in WCWWA.

SAFETY PERSON OF THE YEAR

The candidate must be a current member of WCWWA and show a dedication to the application of safety practices and principals in the water utility field.



Wine Country Water Woks Association 2011 Award Nomination Form

- | | |
|---|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Small System of the Year | <input type="checkbox"/> Vendor Company of the Year |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Large System of the Year | <input type="checkbox"/> Vendor Person of the Year |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Manager of the Year | <input type="checkbox"/> WCWWA Service Award |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Supervisor of the Year | <input type="checkbox"/> Jacque Peacock Award |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Operator of the Year | <input type="checkbox"/> Most Creative Solution |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Office Person of the Year | <input type="checkbox"/> Meter Reader of the Year |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Engineer of the Year | <input type="checkbox"/> Maintenance Person of the Year |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Operator in Training | <input type="checkbox"/> Spouse/Assistant Service Award |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Safety Oriented Person of the Year | |

Date: _____

Nominee: _____

Company Name: _____

Address: _____

Position of Nominee: _____

Years in Position: _____

Name of Nominator: _____

Nominator's Position: _____

Nominator's Phone Number: _____

Please attach a description on why this person, company or system is deserving of the award they have been nominated for. Consideration of awards will be weighted on achievements, safety, education, responsibilities, contribution to WCWWA and other pertinent information provided.

Return this form to WCWWA by May 20th to be eligible for the 2011 awards ceremony on June 8th.

Please send this form and an attached explanation to:

WCWWA, PO Box 3475
Santa Rosa, CA 95402

Questions?

WineCountryWWA@yahoo.com
707-575-2807

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