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Annual Meeting: Technical Program and Vendor Show

September 20, 2023
Stoney Creek Hotel and Conference Center
2601 S. Providence Rd.
Columbia, MO 65203

For hotel reservations call 1.800.659.2220 and ask for room block MWWC23

For more information, see pages 3 - 5 of this newsletter or visit our webpage, www.mwwc.net

Post Section Meeting Reports

East Central Section

The 2023 East Central Section Meeting will be held on Wednesday, August 23. Information will be posted on our webpage, www.mwwc.net and will be distributed by email when it becomes available.

Midwest Section

The 2023 Midwest Section Meeting was held at the Boone County Fairgrounds, on Thursday, May 4. Total attendance was one hundred eleven, including twenty-nine vendor reps, sixty-seven individual registrants, and fifteen life members, spouses, or other guests. Incoming section officers are Chairman Tim Gephardt, University of Missouri; Vice Chairman Scott Hern, City of Columbia; Secretary/Treasurer Dean Bryant, City of Columbia; Section Board Rep Rodney Slayton, City of Columbia. The date of next year's Midwest Section Meeting is May 2, 2024.



Northeast Section

The Northeast Section Meeting was held at the Macon County Park Expo Center on Tuesday, April 11, 2023. Total attendance was one hundred twenty-three including seventy-seven individuals, eight speakers, one guest, and thirty-seven vendor reps. Section officers for the coming year are Chairman Brent Orbin, Macon Municipal Utilities; Vice Chairman LaDon Atkinson, Alliance Water Resources Bowling Green; Secretary/Treasurer Ginny Ismay, Marshall Municipal Utilities; and Section Board Rep Matt Everts, City of Moberly. The section's Kramer Awardee is Lance Lankford, Alliance water Resources, Ralls County PWSD #1. The Outgoing Chairman was John Gibson, Brookfield. The next meeting of MWWC Northeast Section will be held on April 9, 2023 at the Macon County Park Expo Center.

Northwest Section

The Northwest Section Meeting was held at the Stoney Creek Inn in St. Joseph on Thursday,

April 6, 2023. Section officers for the coming year are Chairman Craig Carlson, MAWC St. Joe; Vice Chairman Randall Harris, Platte Co. Regional Sewer Dist.; Secretary/Treasurer Michele Allwood, City of Maysville; and Section Board Rep John Brown, City of Fairfax.

Nate Jarret, PWSD #2 Andrew County, is this year's Northwest Section's Kramer Awardee. Bill Prussman, City of Oregon, is the section's outstanding operator of the year. The recipient of the Bill Hills Award is Doug Sigman, American Water St. Joe and Leonard Johnson received the David L. Williams Award.

Next year's Northwest Section Meeting will be held in St. Joseph on Thursday, April 4, 2024.

Southeast Section

The Southeast Section held its 2023 Annual Meeting at the Osage Center in Cape Girardeau, on Wednesday, April 26. Total attendance was two hundred eighteen with one hundred thirty-six individual paid registrations, and eighty-two vendor reps at forty-seven booths. Incoming officers are Chairman Quentin Overbeck, City of Sikeston; Vice Chairman Keith Morrow, City of Cape Girardeau; Secretary/Treasurer Blake Kiefner, City of Cape Girardeau; Training Chairman Todd Fulton, City of Cape Girardeau; and Board Representative, Allen Taylor, City of Cape Girardeau.

Kevin Ogden, City of Gideon is the section's Wastewater Operator of the Year and Brian Williams, PWSD #2 Bulter County is the Wastewater Operator of the Year.

Next year's Southeast Section Meeting will be held, in Cape Girardeau, on April 25, 2024.

Southwest Section

Total attendance at MWWC's 2023 Southwest Section Meeting was one hundred seven. This included eighty-three individual registrants, twenty-three vendor reps, and one life member, spouse, or other guest. The event was held at the Ozark Empire Fairgrounds & Event Center in Springfield, on Tuesday, May 2. Incoming officers are Chairman Chad Copher, City of Joplin; Vice Chairman Heather Hoggard, City of Springfield; Training Chairman Chris Parker, City of Joplin; and Board Rep John Waitman, City of Springfield. The 2024 Southwest Section Meeting will be held in Springfield on May 6, 2024.



50/50 Raffle

Tickets: \$1.00 each or \$5.00 for 6

Tickets may be purchased at MWWC's registration desk and from board members and other volunteers. The winner will be announced in the afternoon joint session. Winner need not be present.

Pre-con events (Tuesday, September 19, 2023)

Board Meeting: 4:00 p.m. in the Tigers Den

Meet & Greet: 5:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. Prime Time for operator/vendor interaction featuring hot food, cold drinks, and great company in Salon C.

Vendor Booth Set Up in Salon C: 8:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.

Conference Features

- 6.0 operator renewal credit hours for water treatment, water distribution, and wastewater
- 50/50 Raffle
- Cash and Vendor Door Prizes
- Donuts & Coffee, Lunch, and other Refreshments
- Vendor Displays and Give-a-ways

*A Special Invitation to All
Please join us on Tuesday, September
19 from 5:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. for our
pre-con meet and greet, at the Stoney
Creek Hotel and Conference Center.*

*This is a prime time for operator/vendor
interaction as well a great time to catch
up with old friends and meet new ones.*

Food and drinks will be provided.

Exhibitors

Schulte Supply, EJ Equipment, Hydro-Kinetics Corp, Sidener Environmental Services, WestFall Company, R.E. Pedrotti Co., Industrial Sealing and Lubrication, Municipal Equipment Company, Flo-Systems, Enviro-Line, Co., Smico Contracting Group, MO Department of Health and Senior Services – Office of Dental Health, CK Power, Vandevanter Engineering, Midwest Infrastructure Coatings, Armor Equipment, Flynn Drilling Co., Visu-Sewer, Brotcke Well and Pump, Illinois Electric Works, McGuire Iron, TNEMEC, Layne Christensen, Victaulic

Exhibitor Door Prizes – Enter to win!

Visit the vendors and fill out door prize slips in the morning. Winners will be drawn and names posted at vendor booths before lunch. Search the exhibit hall during lunch and during the afternoon break to find your name to claim your door prize.



2023 Technical Program & Vendor Show

Individual Registration Form

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Columbia, MO 65203

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Wednesday, September 20, 2023

#2302616 Water 6.0 Distribution 6.0 Wastewater 6.0

First, Middle, and Last Name: _____

Company/Water District, etc... _____

Mailing Address: _____

City, State, and Zip Code: _____

Business Area Code and Phone _____

Email Address: _____

Please email leslie@mwwc.net to check your MWWC membership status

Please place a \checkmark in the box in front of the option for which you are registering.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> | Member Registration (includes life members that are still working) | \$150.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Non-member | \$190.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Retired Life MWWC | FREE |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Guest Break and Meal Package | \$50.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Tuesday, September 19 Meet and Greet (5:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.) | FREE |

Name of company/individual for MWWC to invoice for payment: _____

Email address of billing contact person: _____

Telephone (area code & number): _____

Method of Payment: ☐ Check Enclosed ☐ Send Invoice to Address Above
 ☐ Drinking Water Blue Vouchers Enclosed



**Please sign the DNR Roster
at the end of the Day**

Joint Session

07:45 – 08:00	Introduction and Course Overview	Chairman Jr. Shell
08:00 – 08:45	Business Meeting & Awards	Chairman Jr. Shell
08:45 – 09:15	Regulatory Updates	Josh Youngblood, MPUA
09:15 – 09:30	Operator/Vendor Interaction	

Split Session

09:30 – 10:15 a.m. (Water)	Water Tower and Tank Cleanouts and Inspections Pete Muntzel and Jack Powell, Maguire Iron
09:30 – 10:15 a.m. (Wastewater)	It Doesn't Have to Stink: Wastewater Order Control 101 Michael Nelson, USP Technologies
10:15 – 11:00 a.m. (Water)	Water Main Installation Cary Sayre, Allstate Consultants
10:15 – 11:00 a.m. (Wastewater)	Introduction to Low Pressure Sewer Dave Morgan, Flow Systems, Inc.
11:00 – 11:45 a.m. (Water)	Well Rehabilitation Methods Tim Kelly, Brotcke Well and Pump
11:00 – 11:45 a.m. (Wastewater)	A Tale of Two Overflows Sarah Limb, City of Springfield
11:45 – 12:30 p.m. (Water)	Columbia's Adventure in Aeration John Betz, MWWC Lead Trainer
11:45 – 12:30 p.m. (Wastewater)	Concept Through Commissioning Collaborative Delivery: Nutrient Removal; Amanda Reynolds, Burns & McDonnell
12:30 – 01:30 p.m.	Lunch – Operator/Vendor Interaction

Joint Session

01:30 p.m. – 02:15 p.m.	A Snap Shot of Extending Life of Aging Infrastructure Mark Wade, Blue Water Solutions
02:15 p.m. – 03:00 p.m.	Yes, We Test Water Ashley Mehmert, Missouri State Public Health Lab
03:00 p.m. – 03:15 p.m.	Break
03:15 p.m. – 04:00 p.m.	Spotlight on Fall Safety Mark Woodward, MEM
04:00 p.m.	Final Remarks & Roster Sign In



Introducing Leslie Miller, Office Assistant

After serving the MWWC for almost 10 years, Teri Denney accepted a position outside of the organization. Leslie Miller is MWWC's new office assistant. Leslie, who works primarily with membership, accounts payable and accounts payable, is based out of Springfield. Her email address is leslie@mwwc.net

MWWC Provides Link to Technical Assistance

Do you have technical questions regarding your water, wastewater, or distribution system? If so, contact Sandi Miller at sandi.miller@mwwc.net or 573.657.0266, to be put in touch with someone who can help you.

Board Members:

Chair	Floyd Shell, Jr.	Fredricktown
Chair Elect	Verlon Persinger	Alliance Water Resources
Vice Chair	Bryan Evans	City of Nixa
Director 1	Archie Hendren	City of Columbia
Director 2	Curtis Hedrick	City of Tarkio
Director 3	Todd Baslee	Alliance Water Resources
Immediate Past Chair	Mike McMillian	Alliance Water Resources
Board Member Emeritus	Ken Hogan	Retired – City of St. Louis
Honorary Board Member	John Betz	Retired – City of Columbia
Honorary Board Member (Secretary)	Tony Lamb	City of Fulton

Upcoming Training

June 6	2308533	Well Construction and Operation and Guidelines for Operating Water Systems
June 8	2306537	*Plant Safety, Emergency Planning, Safety Data Sheets, & Confined Space
June 13	2308534	Disinfection of Water Supplies
June 22	2308395	Management of Water and Wastewater Conveyance Utiliities
June 29	2308536	Water Testing, Backflow, and Water Quality

For more information about these and other MWWC sponsored training events, visit the training program link on our website, www.mwwc.net.



NEW EMPLOYEE SAFETY

SEE MORE INFORMATION AT WWW.MEM-INS.COM

New employees are at a higher risk for incident and injury. Missouri Employers Mutual injury statistics show that up to 40% of new employees will be injured within their first year on the job, or within 30-90 days of a job transfer. There are many reasons why new employees are injured, including poor training and supervision, poor hiring practices, an overwhelming amount of new information, or a desire to fit in. Start new employees off right by discussing safety requirements & expectations on the first day of the job!

CHAIN OF COMMAND

- Describe the chain of command within the department.
- Who is the new employee's supervisor?
- How does the new employee contact the supervisor?
- Who can the employee contact for a problem?
- Who can the employee contact to report a hazard or unsafe condition with a machine, truck or trailer?
- Provide important cell and after-hours company phone numbers.
- Review the company's injury/incident reporting process.
- Review all safety rules and procedures.
- Require employees to sign and date all safety policies.

REVIEW COMMON HAZARDS OF THE JOB

- Discuss the major dangers of the job:
 - Slips, trips and falls, heavy lifting
 - Struck-by hazards, electrical hazards
 - Vehicle crash and work zones
 - Loud machines, tools, and equipment
 - Confined spaces, trenching, utility locates
- Encourage the employee to take personal responsibility for their actions and make safe decisions.
- Discuss the training the employee will need on specific trucks and equipment like dry bulkers and end dumps.
- Discuss how safety rules will be monitored and enforced.

ISSUE PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT

- Provide the employee with a list of personal protective equipment (PPE) needed on the job.
- Advise the employee how to obtain PPE if theirs is lost, stolen, damaged or worn out.
- Advise of disciplinary action regarding PPE.

INJURY AND INCIDENT REPORTING

- All employees must report incidents to their supervisor in writing by the end of the work shift.
- Report witnessed incidents to the supervisor by the end of the work shift.
- A post-incident drug and alcohol screen will be required after incidents and injuries.
- Report all incidents in writing before going home for the day.

SEAT BELTS AND SAFE DRIVING

- Vehicle crashes are the most common cause of on-the-job employee fatalities in the U.S.
- Employees must use safety belts in vehicles or on machines equipped with safety belts.
- Employees discovered not wearing safety belts will be subject to disciplinary action.
- Distracted driving is prohibited. Do not text, dial or use phones while driving.
- Drive at a safe speed. Do not tailgate. Never push other motorists or put them at risk for a crash. Always drive with due regard.
- Do not lift dump beds under power lines.
- Advise employees of fire extinguisher locations on the job site, in vehicles and in machines.