



NH Water Works Association Newsletter

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NHPTV Moving Ahead with Production

Earlier this year we updated you on an important initiative with NH Public Television. The project, NH TAPPED, is a multiplatform program designed to educate and enlighten residents about drinking water history, infrastructure, challenges and solutions for keeping the Granite State's drinking resources safe for human consumption.

The programming will consist of a 30-minute documentary around water issues. Additionally, there will be a series of 1-minute interstitials which will direct traffic to the web where even more information will be available. The initiative will also include educational outreach in the local schools and the programming will be featured on the Planet Granite website, www.nhptv.org/plantegr granite, with links to the video, activities, resources and partners.

Earlier this summer a meeting with stakeholders from around NH was held to brainstorm on the project's messaging. We recently were provided with an update that production for the documentary has begun. The crew has been visiting locations and filming footage. We anticipate the completed project will roll-out early next year around the time of the annual NH Drinking Water Festival.

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2015 NH Drinking Water Trade Show and Expo.

Some New Things for this Year's Trade Show

Wednesday, October 26, 2016

This year's NH Drinking Water Trade Show and Expo will include a "Mixer" to be held the night before the show from 5:00 pm to 8:00 pm. Exhibitors and interested members are welcome to gather in the State Room at the Grappone Center for light appetizers, a pasta station and cash bar. Prime booth renters receive two complimentary tickets and regular booth renters receive one. Additional tickets will be sold at \$25 each. Please RSVP to info@nhwwa.org if you plan to attend.

Also new to this year's show is a larger seminar room connected to the main lobby providing more space for people to attend popular presentations. This also allows for all seminars to be held in the main lobby area.

The Trade Show and Expo continues to be NH's premier drinking water event – where drinking water

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Funding is still needed for this project and every dollar will help to make a difference. As you know, NHWWA has committed to a \$1,000 donation in support of this project. We have asked for our member's support in the past and would like those of you who have not yet contributed to consider doing so today.

This is a great opportunity to showcase our industry and to improve our public image; an image which has most recently been tarnished by current events taking place in Michigan and even in our own backyards.

Please consider making a donation today. Contributions can be sent to NHPTV, Accounting Department, 268 Mast Road, Durham, NH 03824. Please include in the memo that the donation is for "NH TAPPED".

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professionals and others interested in drinking water issues, products and services have "all in one place" access to the experts. The show features almost 60 exhibitors as well as 17 seminars, each worth one contact hour. Some of the topics that will be discussed are: *Design Standards for Large Public Water Systems; Responsibilities of Public Water System Owners and Operators; Benefits of a Forested Watershed; Meters: When is the right time to upgrade them; and SCADA to Enhance Operational Efficiency.*

Exhibit Booths

If you are interested in renting a booth at the show you can find more information on our website www.nhwwa.org or by contacting Patricia Beavers, Trade Show/Expo Coordinator at beaves@sover.net.

Sponsorship Opportunities

Sponsorship opportunities at the show include *Mixer Sponsor, Seminar Room Sponsor, and Coffee Table Sponsor*. For more information please contact Charity Ross at cross@nhwwa.org.

Attendees

For the registration fee of \$50, attendees have the opportunity to earn up to 5 TCHs. Admission to the exhibit hall is free. Registration material will be mailed in September but registrations can also be completed through our website www.nhwwa.org.

Member News

NHWWA Members Recognized by EPA for Environmental Achievements

Congratulations to NHWWA members Jennifer Perry and Bill Meserve who were recently recognized at the 2016 Merit Awards Ceremony of the US Environmental Protection Agency's New England regional office for their environmental improvements in New Hampshire.

Jennifer and Bill were among a team of individuals representing communities, scientists and regulators that were honored for developing recommendations to affordably manage permits for wastewater and stormwater in Newfields, Exeter and Stratham. Recognized under the Environmental, Community, Academia & Nonprofit category, the efforts put forth by the Water Integration for Squamscott (WISE) project developed a guide for the three towns to support nitrogen load reduction and ways to monitor water quality results in an effort to provide ecosystem recovery in the Great Bay estuary. The project also delivered a means for communication between the regulators and municipalities with the local towns and other interested parties.

NHWWA congratulates Jennifer and Bill, and the entire WISE team on their recognition, and for their dedicated efforts in protecting the Squamscott River.

Each year EPA New England recognizes both individuals and groups in New England who have worked to protect or improve the region's environment. The Environmental Merit Awards have been given out since 1970 and are awarded in the categories of individual; business (including professional organizations); local, state or federal government; and environmental, community, academia or nonprofit organization. The awards honor individuals and groups who have shown particular ingenuity and commitment in their efforts.

Note, this article is a recap of the EPA'S 5/10/16 press release. For more information, or to view the full press release including other award recipients in New Hampshire please visit: <http://1.usa.gov/1quwOck>.

David Polcari Elected International Director for NEWWA

Congratulations to David Polcari, P.E., BCEE, on his election as the international director of the American Water Works Association (AWWA). Dave was recently elected to represent the New England Water Works Association (NEWWA), one of the 43 sections of AWWA.

Dave is an associate and New England client-service manager for CDM Smith at the firm's Manchester, NH office.



Be a Part of the 2017 Legislative Session

As election season nears, it is time for NHWWA's Legislative Committee to gear up for another year of legislative advocacy and we need your help!

If you subscribed to the 2016 Legislative Program, you know that you were kept informed with monthly updates on pending legislation. You also know how important it is for NHWWA to be actively involved in the legislative and rulemaking process. For those of you that did not participate, this is your chance to get involved!

Participating members receive monthly legislative updates which includes the bill status, a schedule of bill hearings and other important information. Updates are traditionally sent by mail but we will be focusing on sending more timely updates via email in the upcoming year. The financial support is also allocated for the time spent attending hearings, testifying and advocating for NHWWA members and the protection of public drinking water.

The cost will remain the same at only \$.10 per service connection (\$100 minimum). For support members the annual fee is \$250. For more information, please contact Charity Ross at (603) 415-3959 or email cross@nhwwa.org.

Please indicate your interest in participating in the 2017 Legislative Program by emailing NHWWA at info@nhwwa.org.

With so much focus on emerging contaminants we are bound to see legislation in the upcoming year addressing these concerns. Likewise, DES is already in the drafting process for new administrative rules pertaining to Instream Flow. Both of these issues will require time and dedicated funds to lobby for the best interests in our industry.

NHWWA, and its Legislative Committee, have a proven track record of monitoring pending legislation and administrative rules that impact our business. They have established themselves as a trusted resource with our elected officials.

Please consider participating in the 2017 Legislative Program. Your support is greatly needed to continue to protect our resources and our industry.

Sincerely,

The Legislative Action Committee

2017 Local Source Water Protection Grants

Applications Available!

Due November 1, 2016

Project funding is available from the Department of Environmental Services to develop and implement programs to protect existing sources of public drinking water. The grants are available to water suppliers, municipalities, regional planning agencies, non-profit organizations, educational institutions, conservation districts, and state agencies. Applicants can receive up to \$20,000 for projects to protect drinking water sources, including watershed planning, delineation of protection areas, assessment of threats to water supply sources, implementation, and source security. The application packet is available now to provide sufficient lead time for applicants to work with stakeholders and obtain compelling letters of commitment, which will be needed for some projects to score well in the competition for limited funds.

2017 applications can be found at: http://des.nh.gov/organization/divisions/water/dwgb/dwspp/lswp_grants.htm or type 'NH local source water protection grants' in your web search engine. Please contact Pierce Rigrod at (603) 271-0688 or pierce.rigrod@des.nh.gov or Amy Hudnor at (603) 271-2950 or amy.hudnor@des.nh.gov if you have questions or would like to discuss your proposal.



NH Water Works Association's Legislative Action Committee

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Construction Day 2016: One Day, Six Visits



One of the stops on August 3rd was the Sewalls Falls Bridge project in Concord.

On Wednesday, August 3, close to 60 people boarded a bus to tour the select locations for this year's Construction Day.

First stop, we visited the Bedford Hills Water Booster Station in Bedford, NH for a tour led by Bruce Lewis, Manager, Lewis Engineering. While there, attendees were able to observe Grundfos vertical turbine booster pumps which provide domestic and water for fire flow as a direct pressurization pumping station.

Next, the bus headed to Manchester Water Works (MWW) for two stops. The first was to MWW's Radial Collector Well (RCW) which will produce over 7 MGD and a system source redundancy on the west side of the Merrimack River. Construction of the RCW was completed in May of this year and it is designed to provide much needed additional supply for Manchester's customers in the future. David Miller, PE, Deputy Director, Manchester Water Works and Greg Smith, PG, CG, Lead Hydrogeologist, Wright Pierce, were onsite to present background information and answer questions about the project.

From there, Dave led the bus to MWW's newly erected water storage tanks where we met with Adam Yanulis, VP of Tighe & Bond, who was onsite to answer questions. NHWWA visited this site on last year's Construction Day when the storage tanks were in their early stages of development. The new and modern 6.5 million gallon AWWA D-110 wire-wound concrete water storage tanks replace the existing 140 year-old 20 MG earth-embankment reservoir.

After the stops in Manchester, the bus headed north to White Park in Concord for a quick break for lunch and then on to Penacook for a site visit where the city is undergoing water main replacement. Martha Drukker, Associate Engineer for the City of Concord, and Keith Patnode, Project Superintendent with S.U.R. Construction, Inc. met with the group to explain how the city is in the process of replacing 3,800 feet of 6" main, 700 feet of 8" main and removing 4 bleeders. From there, Martha led the group over to the Sewalls Falls Bridge for an up-close look at the bridge replacement project. Attendees were greeted by Mike Cole, General Superintendent, with E.D. Swett Inc. and Steve Delia, Project Contract Administrator, with McFarland Johnson, Inc. who provided some background on the bridge project. The structure will also carry an 8" gas main, 12" sewer main and a 16" insulated and heated water main in addition to fire alarm power.

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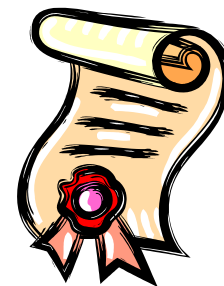
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Seeking Nominations

NHWWA Meritorious Achievement Award

Nominations for the 2016 Meritorious Achievement Award are now being accepted. As a member of NHWWA you have the opportunity to nominate a co-worker, associate, colleague, friend, client or any member of NHWWA whose past, recent or current accomplishments deserve to be recognized.



To nominate someone, simply access the NHWWA website (nhwwa.org), fill out the application found under the "About Us" tab, and then e-mail it back to us or send it regular mail. Please include a detailed description of the nominee's accomplishments in the drinking water field.

Nominees can be office, field and plant workers, operators, managers and commissioners, engineers, consultants, sales representatives or other drinking water related folks. To be considered, a nominee must have been a member in good standing in 2015.

Accomplishments may be in the areas of outstanding service to a water utility or the drinking water community, outstanding work in the drinking water industry in general, volunteer efforts, or methods of improving drinking water service.

Please submit nominations to NHWWA no later than September 30, 2016. Nominees will be reviewed and selected by the NHWWA's Board of Directors and the award will be presented at the January joint meeting with NEWWA.

Meritorious Achievement Award

Past Recipients

1995	Rich Thayer	NHDES
1996	Phil Pineau	Laconia Water Works
1997	Bob Metcalf	Claremont Public Works
1998	Bruce Lewis	Lewis Engineering
1999	Albin Johnson	Berlin Water Dept.
2001	Norm Bumford	Henniker Water Dept.
2002	Ed Mekus	Newmarket Water Dept.
2003	Bernie Lucey	NHDES
2003	Gary Lord	Exeter Water Dept.
2004	Bill Daly	Salem Water Dept.
2004	Dave Brennan	Sunapee Water Dept.
2005	Ed Betz	Peterborough Water Dept.
2006	Ron Gagnon	Somersworth Water Dept.
2006	Allen Breton	Somersworth Water Dept.
2007	Robert Beaurivage	Manchester Water Works
2008	Tom Cravens	Portsmouth Water Dept.
2009	Dave Candeias	Laconia Water Works
2010	Mike Metcalf	Underwood Engineers
2011	Phil Bilodeau	Concord General Services
2012	Wade Crawshaw	C & C Water Services
2013	Roland Viens	Berlin Water Works
2014	Rene Pelletier	NHDES
2015	Neil Helberg	Lewis Engineering, PLLC

NHWWA Calendar of Events

Here are NHWWA's fall 2016 events:

<u>When</u>	<u>What</u>	<u>Where</u>
Sept. 8	Technical Meeting	Wolfeboro
Sept. 20, 22, 27 & 29	Small Systems Intro Course	Concord
Oct. 4 & 11	Basic WW Math	Concord
Sept. 29, Oct. 6 & 13	Exam Prep Course	Northfield
Oct. 5	Backflow Refresher	Concord
Oct. 25	Trade Show Mixer	Concord
Oct. 26	Trade Show & Expo	Concord
Nov. 3	Annual & Technical Mtg.	Concord
Nov. 16	Operator Training	Meredith
Dec. 7	Operator Training	Concord
Dec. 8 & 13	Advanced Treatment	TBA

View upcoming meetings and events at NHWWA's website at www.nhwwa.org. Stay tuned for more events being planned.

You can now find us on Facebook and LinkedIn.



Please note our new e-mail address: info@nhwwa.org

We will also be using Constant Contact to share events and information with you. Please make sure to add info@nhwwa.ccsend.com to your sender's safe email list.

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Lastly, the group headed downtown to see the continued progress of the Main Street Project. Also visited during last year's Construction Day, this year's participants got a birds-eye view of the project when the bus parked in the middle of the west side of South Main St. Ed Roberge, PE and City Engineer for the City of Concord, hopped on the bus for a brief rundown of the project which proposes to improve an 11-block section of Main Street. The project is about 3,800 linear feet in length and converts the four-lane roadway section to a two-lane with a traversable, center median with the ultimate goal of providing safe access for all users.

It was an adventurous trip with lots of activities planned for the day. The weather cooperated but it sure was a hot one! Thank you to each of the site coordinators who help provide detail at each of the stops and to all of our attendees that participated in this year's event. Additional thanks extended to all of our sponsors who helped to make this event possible!

See you at next year's event!

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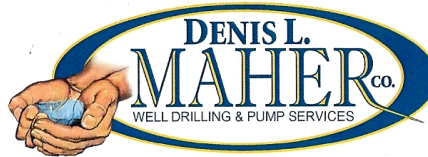
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