Last Meeting: The last Capital Area Chapter meeting was held on Friday, October 17th at Waller Creek Center. The October CAC AWWA meeting featured a presentation by Xiaohong He, Ph.D., P.E., titled “Diligent Energy Management Helps to Ensure a Sustainable Future”. The presentation covered a case study performed at the City of Austin Ullrich Water Treatment Plant to optimize pumping efficiency and operational procedures. Thanks to Xiaohong for the interesting presentation and to our October meeting sponsors for their support!

Next Meeting: The next Capital Area Chapter meeting will be held on Friday, December 19th, at noon at Waller Creek Center (625 E. 10th Street, Austin) Room 104. Please be sure to arrive by 11:45am to ensure a good seat. Matt Berg with CH2M Hill and Rob Cullwell with Carollo will be giving a presentation on Water for People, which is the charity of choice for the Capital Area Chapter and TAWWA. Fundraisers are held for Water for People throughout the year including the Water for People volleyball tournament and the raffle at the TAWWA/WEAT Fall Social.

The independent, volunteer, monitoring arm of Water for People, known as the World Water Corp, has undergone significant change in the six years since its inception. Learn more about the shape this organization is taking on and the types of programs and assignments in which World Water Corp volunteers are participating from the perspective of one volunteer. Please join us for this interesting and informative presentation!

Upcoming Events and News:

- **AWWA/WEF YP Summit** Will be hosted at the Hyatt Regency Austin on February 17th, 2015. See attached flyer for more information.
- **AWWA YP HAPPY HOUR** Will be hosted at Dart Bowl in January. Last year’s bowling event was a lot of fun – we hope you will join us!
- **WFP Volleyball Tournament** Is scheduled for April 25th, 2015. More information to come, hope to see you there!
- **CAC TAWWA** Is looking to fill the Program Chair position on the Executive Committee. More details are located in the newsletter.
YP Happy Hour

The Capital Area Chapter of TAWWA and the Central Texas Section of WEAT hosted a Members Appreciation Event on November 6th at TopGolf. A big thank you to all our sponsors for making this event possible!

Our next happy hour will be hosted in January at DartBowl Austin (5700 Grover Ave. Austin, TX 78756). Look for an upcoming email with event details. Hope to see you there!

Date/Time: January/TBD
Location: Dart Bowl
5700 Grover Ave.
http://www.dartbowl.com/

If you are interested in being added to the Young Professionals email distribution list, please contact Membership/YP Chair Theresa Hlavinka at 512-345-8600 or awwaypchair@gmail.com

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**Consumer Outreach Committee**

Interested in staying up to date on innovative water education programs currently in action across Texas? The Consumer Outreach Committee cordially invites you to check out their new blog, All Things H2O, a monthly publication that highlights existing water education and outreach programs throughout Texas.

Tune in for the inaugural post, featuring the City of Houston and its many water programs, including The Waterworks Education Center. An electronic version of the blog can be accessed via the following link [http://www.tawwa.org/group/Ed_Out](http://www.tawwa.org/group/Ed_Out), we hope you will check it out!

If you’d like to learn more about the Consumer Outreach Committee, including volunteering with the Committee, or if you’d like to suggest a topic for future posts, please contact Grace Wike, Committee Chair, at grace.wike@jacobs.com.

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**AWWA Open Committee Position**

The Capital Area Chapter of TAWWA is looking to fill the Program Chair position on the Executive Committee. If you are interested in learning more about this position, please contact Behnoush Yeganeh at behnoush.yeganeh@aecom.com or 512-479-1630

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**Member Appreciation Social**

The Capital Area Chapter of TAWWA and the Central Texas Section of WEAT Young Professionals hosted the annual member appreciation event on Thursday, November 6 at TopGolf. More than 80 people attended the event, and we raised close to $600 for Water For People through the raffle and the Longest Drive Competition!

Special thanks to our sponsors, CDM Smith, CH2M HILL, DCS Engineering, Kennedy/Jenks, and American and Ferguson Waterworks, and to our prize donors!
About the Capital Area Chapter

The Capital Area Chapter meets at the City of Austin offices at Waller Creek Plaza, 625 E. 10th Street, Austin, Room 104 on the third Friday of even numbered months.

Enter the parking garage from either 10th or 9th streets. Sign in with the security guard at the 10th street entrance. Room 104 is the large conference room on the east side of the first floor.

If you are interested in speaking at a meeting or have suggestions for meeting topics, please contact Erin Wiesehan at: 512-452-5905 or Ewiesehan@apaienv.com

This newsletter is sent to over 600 water professionals in the Austin area. If you are interested in sponsoring a meeting or have information for publication, contact Behnoush Yeganeh at: 512-479-1630 or Behnoush.Yeganeh@aecom.com.

Volunteer Positions Open

The Capital Area Chapter of TAWWA is a volunteer operated organization, and can always use a few extra hands. Commit as little or as much time as you want. Contact Behnoush Yeganeh at behnoush.yeganeh@aecom.com or 512-479-1630 and let us know how you’d like to help!

AWWA/WEF YP Summit

The 2015 AWWA/WEF Young Professionals Summit will be held on February 17, 2015 in conjunction with the Utility Management Conference in Austin, Texas. We expect to have about 100 young professionals in attendance from all parts of the US and Canada. Speakers with diverse water industry backgrounds will provide perspectives focused on leadership topics and professional development. There will be evening events on both Monday, February 16th and Tuesday, February 17th. The YP Summit fee is $75 (the registration form is attached.) Please visit http://www.wef.org/YPSummit/

Sponsors are still needed to make this event a success. Please contact Theresa Hlavinka TheresaHlavinka@KennedyJenks.com if you have any questions or would like to sponsor.

AWWA Fall Seminar

This The Capital Area Chapter of TAWWA hosted their annual Fall Seminar titled “Alternate Water Supplies” on Wednesday, October 29 at the Hornsby Bend Environmental Research Center. The seminar was attended by 70 water professionals from the Central Texas region. CAC TAWWA thanks the seminar presenters for their expertise, time, and well-prepared talks to make for an excellent seminar for all attendees. CAC TAWWA also thanks our sponsors for their contributions, as the event raised almost $4000 for scholarships!

As always, we welcome member input for future seminars. If you have a suggestion for next year’s seminar theme, please contact Joe Hoepken at joe.hoepken@austintexas.gov. Thanks and we'll see you in 2015!

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