Last Meeting: The last Capital Area Chapter meeting was held on Friday, Austin 21st, at Waller Creek Center.

The August CAC AWWA meeting featured a presentation by Matt Webb on “ASR in Texas: What Is It and Where Do We Stand?” We learned a tremendous amount about ASR, including the history of ASR, positives and negatives of ASR, and how ASR could be applied in Central Texas. A special thanks to Matt for his excellent presentation and to our August meeting sponsors, Motor Controls, Inc. (MCI) and Alan Plummer Associates, Inc. (APAI).

Next Meeting: The next Capital Area Chapter meeting will be held on Friday, October 16th, 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.

John Beachy with the City of Austin will be presenting on the Waller Creek Tunnel, including the need for and construction of the tunnel. Once completed, Waller Creek Tunnel will protect residents from flash flooding, remove more than 28 acres of downtown from the floodplain, protect 42 structures, 12 roadways and create an environment suitable for redevelopment. John has worked with the newly formed Waller Creek Tunnel Operations and Maintenance team as project manager since November of 2014. He has over 13 years’ experience in the storm water and waste water fields that includes infrastructure assessment, project delivery, customer service, and environmental analysis. Please join us for this interesting presentation!

CAC TAWWA Scholarship

The Scholarship Committee of the Capital Area Chapter has finalized the recipients of the 2015 CAC AWWA scholarships. This year, four $500 scholarships will be awarded to the following members of the Capital Area Chapter:

- Mitchel Bartolo
- Olivia Beck
- Isabella Gee
- Emily Parmer

Congratulations to these CAC TAWWA members on their individual achievements and award of the scholarships! The scholarships will be presented to the recipients at the October 16th meeting.

The CAC TAWWA also donated $2,000 to the 2015/2016 Texas Section AWWA scholarship. Contributions from the Texas Section AWWA and several local chapters allowed for 17 scholarships to be awarded!

Upcoming Events and News:

- **Pints for People** October 14, 2015 at Austin Beerworks in Austin, TX
- **TAWWA CAC Annual Seminar** October 28, 2015 at Hornsby Bend Biosolids Plant in Austin, TX
- **TAWWA/WEAT Annual Social** November 5, 2015 at TopGolf in Austin, TX
YP Happy Hour and Committee Update

Our last happy hour was held at Bangers on September 24th, and it was a huge success! Many thanks to Vision Equipment for sponsoring this event.

The next YP event will be in December. Stay tuned for additional details!

If you are interested in being added to the Young Professionals email distribution list, please contact Membership/YP Chair Theresa Hlavinka at 512-852-3009 or TheresaHlavinka@KennedyJenks.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 is proud to bring you “All Things H2O,” a blog highlighting existing water utilities and programs across Texas. The blog was created to strengthen and grow the water education network in Texas, spark ideas, start new initiatives, refine existing programs, and share success stories and lessons learned. This month highlights Water Conservation by the Yard, a recent report from the Texas Living Waters Project detailing the potential water savings from adopting a year round no more than twice per week outdoor irrigation program. An electronic version of the blog can be accessed via the following link http://www.tawwa.org/group/Ed_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 gdwike@lan-inc.com.
TAWWA Annual Seminar

The Capital Area Chapter of TAWWA will be holding its Annual Seminar, “Utility Resilience and Sustainability,” on October 28, 2015 at the City of Austin’s Hornsby Bend Environmental Research Center located at 2210 South FM 973. The CAC TAWWA Fall Seminar provides you with the opportunity to hear about leading edge projects, learn from experts, and network with colleagues. The Seminar is also key in supporting TAWWA scholarships. Participants will receive PDHs and five hours of TCEQ operator training is anticipated. Presentation topics include:

- Conservation
- Direct potable reuse
- Reclaimed water
- Water and energy relationship
- And more!

The Capital Area Chapter of Texas AWWA has assembled a team of experts, including keynote speaker Greg Meszaros, Director of Austin Water (pictured), to discuss these challenges at its 2015 Fall Seminar on Wednesday, October 28 at Hornsby Bend Environmental Research Center. Cost for this important event—with information from leading engineers, utility officials and regulators—is only $70/person and includes breakfast, lunch, and post-seminar networking happy hour. BUT HURRY! Space is limited to the first 60 registrants. Register at http://www.tawwa.org/event/cacfallseminar2015!

TAWWA Annual Social

The AWWA/WEAT Fall Social returns to Top Golf on the evening of November 5th, 2015 from 6pm – 9 pm! To attend you must register at http://www.tawwa.org/event/topgolf2015. Register now for only $30 per person. After November 1st prices go up to $40 dollars per person! Registration includes heavy apps, a drink ticket, and 3 hours of golf. Make sure to be there by 7 p.m. to participate in our top golf competition and silent auction. Proceeds go to Water for People!

Sponsorships and silent auction items are needed to make this event a continued success! Please contact Mariel Polter at Mariel.Polter@aecom.com or by phone at 512-457-7795 if you are interested in supporting the Top Golf event. Sponsors can also register online.

Texas Water 2016 Call for Abstracts: “Value of Water – Texas”

Texas Water 2016, the Value of Water – Texas program (formerly One Water – Many Stories) is spotlighting the effect of population growth to our industry. The Value of Water – Texas program is designed to foster networking and dialogue amongst water and wastewater utilities of all sizes focusing on the community outreach component of a project or challenges experienced with responding, interacting or communicating to your end users. Potential speakers are invited to submit an abstract for consideration in telling your story that addresses the communication and outreach aspect of the following topics:

- Water Management during times of drought, flood or both
- Water Resource Planning for intensive population growth
- Cultural/Behavioral impacts, especially for those users new to Texas
- Water and Wastewater rates
- Growing industries
- Aging infrastructure

Abstracts will be reviewed by the Value of Water – Texas planning committee and are due by October 16. See the attached flyer for additional information.
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, contact Bree Carrico: 512-527-6079 or bree.carrico@arcadis-us.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 James Mansfield at: 512-846-2600 or James@pumpsolutions.net.

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 James Mansfield at James@pumpsolutions.net or 512-846-2600 and let us know what you'd like to do to help!

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