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# **Annual Ethics Training with Trent Slovak**

Trent Slovak is a Senior Vice President at KIT Professionals, Inc. where he leads the firm's water services practice. Mr. Slovak has over 30 years of civil and environmental engineering experience in the private practice of consulting engineering and with public agencies. His areas of expertise include the planning, design, and operation of surface water and wastewater treatment facilities and drinking water distribution system water quality management. He is a Professional Engineer in Texas and Louisiana, an American Academy of Environmental Engineers Board Certified Environmental Engineer, and a licensed wastewater treatment plant operator in Texas.



Mr. Slovak serves on Mayor Annise Parker's Water Conservation Task Force and is a member of the City of Houston Wastewater Capacity Reservation

Review Board. He is a past president of the University of Houston Engineering Alumni Association and the Southeast Texas Branch of the American Public Works Association. He and his wife Chavonne reside in Houston.

# **Meeting Notice**

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Thursday June 27			Sponsor: Newman Regency		
Annual Time:	Ethics Train  Registration	ing 11:00	<b>RSVP:</b> on the web page at:		
Time;	Lunch	11:30	www.weat.org/southeast/meeting-notices.html or email weatsoutheast@gmail.com		
Place:	Presentation HESS	12:00	Questions? Contact		
Luncheon:	\$30		Jennifer Mays (281)558-8700 or Monica Stiggins (281)589-7257		
	\$20 for students/	public employees			

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# The President's Message

Dear WEAT Members,

WEAT would like to welcome Trent Slovak back for our annual ethics meeting. We are grateful to Trent for taking time out of his busy schedule to help all of us obtain our credits.

WEAT Southeast just held their first annual Clay Shoot Tournament. It was held on May 17 at the American Shooting Centers in Houston. We had 10 teams participate in the event and several sponsors that will help benefit our scholarship fund. It was a great success and we are already planning the next one for 2014. If you have any suggestions to offer or are interested in helping organize the event next year, please talk to any WEAT officers. See pages 8 & 9 for photos and more details!

We will be holding a joint YP event with TPWA and AWWA in July. We are currently working out the details and will have more information available on our website. TPWA organized our last joint YP in May and everyone had a great time. Combining the YP events with these other organizations has really improved participation and helped get the word out about WEAT to other professionals.

Since our last meeting Texas Water was held in Galveston. It was a grand success and received a lot of positive feedback. I would to thank everyone who participated and those that volunteered their time to help keep the conference moving smoothly. I would like to especially thank all of the WEAT members that volunteered for the organizational committee, it was a lot of work but a lot of fun at the same time.

We would also like to ensure that we have everyone's correct contact information. If you do not receive emails from us and would like to start please email us at <u>weat-southeast</u> @gmail.com or go to our website at weat.org/southeast.

WEAT is closing out it's 2012/2013 year and I have been honored to be President and work with an outstanding and dedicated group of officer's and chairs. I look forward to see what next year will being us.

We are currently looking for people to volunteer for open officer and chair positions. If you are interested in becoming more involved with WEAT please contact me or any current officer.

Thank you!



Lindsay Kovar, P.E. Section President



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Hot Topics— For registration, sponsorship or program information for the statewide events, please visit the calendar at <a href="https://www.weat.org">www.weat.org</a>

#### **Water Reuse in Texas:**

# **Extending our Water Frontier**

**July 12.2013** 

**Austin Convention Center** 

The Program will provide attendees current updates on reclaimed water topics including UTILITY OPERATIONS, FOLLOW THE MONEY, WATER REUSE PLANNING, and WATER QUALITY ISSUES.

Events Calendar			
Eckenfelder Lecture Series	July 2		
Water Reuse in Texas	July 12		
Biosolids, Odor and Corrosion	July 21 & Aug 1		
CMOM Workshop	Aug 26 & 27		
Young Professionals Event	Julv		

# Biosolids, Odor, and Corrosion Conference & Expo

July 31 through August 1, 2013

San Marcos, Texas

With the changing regulations and economic pressures, this conference focuses on managing odor and biosolids needs today and in the future.

### **Summer Event at St. Arnolds Brewery**

**July 2013** 

**Details coming soon!** 

## **WEAT Section 9 Scholarships**

**July 2013** 

**Details coming soon!** 

### **CMOM 2013**

# **Capacity, Management Operation and Maintenance**

August 26 & 27, 2013

**Austin Convention Center** 

The CMOM approach outlines a dynamic system management framework that encourages evaluating and prioritizing efforts to identify and correct performance problems in the sewer system.

# W. Wesley Eckenfelder Lecture Series

July 2, 2013

McLennan County College, Waco, TX

The Third Annual W. Wesley Eckenfelder Lecture Series presents "Understanding What you Can't See: Emerging Contaminants and Fate of Compounds in Wastewater Treatment"

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# **Meeting Sponsor for June**



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## **WEAT ACTIVITIES**

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## **Science & Engineering Fair of Houston**

Thank you very much to all of our Science Fair Judges from WEAT and AWWA who joined us on March 1 to encourage the future scientists and engineers of the Houston area. Congratulations to our Section 9 and Texas Stockholm Junior Water Prize

#### **Texas Stockholm Junior Water Prize:**

- 1st Place—Kushal Kadakia
   "Heavy Metal Removal Using Fe<sub>3</sub>O<sub>4</sub>
   Nanoparticles II"
- 2nd Place Damian Archie
   "Death by Light: Investigating Solar Water Disinfection
- 3rd Place Grant Kern and Isha Mittal "Purifying Water Through Solar Distillation IV"

#### **Senior Division (Section 9):**

- 1st Place—Kushal Kadakia
   "Heavy Metal Removal Using Fe<sub>3</sub>O<sub>4</sub>
   Nanoparticles II"
- 2nd Place Damian Archie
   "Death by Light: Investigating Solar Water Disinfection
- 3rd Place Manvitha Katta
   "Antimicrobial and Heavy Metal Sequestration Capacities of Graphene Nanofilms"

#### Ninth Division (Section 9):

- 1st Place— Erin Colvin and Zahra Atzuri "Measuring Dissolved Oxygen in H<sub>2</sub>O"
- 2nd Place Katie Nissen "Enzymes and Grease"
- 3rd Place Maria Rossi "Algae Growth and Ocean Purification"

#### **Junior Division (Section 9):**

- 1st Place Katelyn Bouthillette "Earthworms and Grey Water"
- 2nd Place Nivva Emmi
   "DO<sub>2</sub> in H<sub>2</sub>O: Do Chemicals Matter?"
- 3rd Place Victoria Faulkner and Hannah Meisels "Turmoil begins with oil"

# First Annual WEAT Sporting Clay Shoot



On May 17, 2013, 60 WEAT members convened at American Shooting Centers in Houston, Texas to participate in the 1st Annual WEAT Southeast Texas Section Sporting Clays Event. The event was a tremendous success, with over 50 shooters participating. This year's sponsors included:

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If you are not familiar with Sporting Clays, it is "golf with a shotgun." Teams of 4 shooters walked around a course of 10 shooting stations. At each station, team members took turns in shooting at clay targets thrown into the air. Each shooter shot at 50 targets over the full course, with a maximum score of 50. Participants ranged from first-time shooters having fun to experienced shooters who were competing for the trophies. All participants enjoyed a BBQ lunch catered by Big Daddy.

This event would not be possible without our volunteers and willing participants. Thank you again for all who helped to make this event a success.

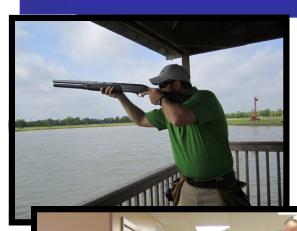
We are looking forward to another successful event next year!





# First Annual WEAT Sporting Clay Shoot













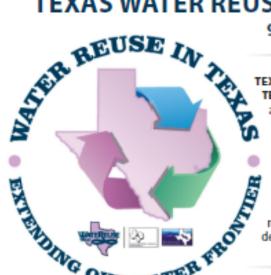






# TEXAS WATER REUSE CONFERENCE - JULY 12, 2013

9:00 am - 4:00 pm



TEXAS WATEREUSE ASSOCIATION, WATER ENVIRONMENT ASSOCIATION OF TEXAS, and TEXAS AMERICAN WATER WORKS ASSOCIATION Invite you to attend the 3rd Annual Water Reuse Conference in Texas — co-sponsored by our three associations.

#### **TECHNICAL PROGRAM**

The Program will provide attendees current updates on reclaimed water topics including UTILITY OPERATIONS, FOLLOW THE MONEY, WATER REUSE PLANNING, and WATER QUALITY ISSUES. Participants will enjoy networking with industry professionals interested in extending our water resources into the future. Lunch will be included and the schedule has been developed to offer maximum instruction time in a one-day conference.

#### CONFERENCE LOCATION: AUSTIN CONVENTION CENTER

Mention the Water Environment Association of Texas for the conference room rate of \$149 at the Hilton Hotel, \$12,482,8000, downtown Austin.

#### KEYNOTE SPEAKER: BRIAN GOOD, PRESIDENT OF WATEREUSE ASSOCIATION

Doug Miller is State Representative from District 73, which is comprised of Comall, Gillespie, and Kendall Counties. Rep Miller is the author or co-author of a number of water related bills in this session and has been key in the effort to fund the State Water Plan.

#### NETWORKING RECEPTION THURSDAY, JULY 11

Join your colleagues in the industry for a networking reception Thursday, July 11, 6:00 pm to 7:30 pm at the Hilton Downtown Austin. Light hors d'oeuvres and one drink ticket will be available to Texas Water Reuse Conference attendees.

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### Register online at www.weat.org

# Biosolids and Odor and Corrosion Conference & Expo

July 31 & August 1, 2013 - San Marcos, TX

Sponsored by the Water Environment Association of Texas



With changing regulations and ever increasing economic pressures, managing successful odor and biosolids programs is more challenging than ever. Get key insights on successful solids management and the ever increasing role in resource recovery opportunities. Join your peers for discussions on the many tools to develop sustainable programs that will meet your odor and biosolids management needs today and into the future. Don't miss this opportunity to learn about your industry and the resource recovery. Register on line at www.weat.org.

#### Early Registration Deadline - July 24, 2013

Please register me for the - Biosolids and Odor and Corrosion Conference & Expo.	Method of Payment:  □ Check □ Visa □ MC □ AMEX □ Discover		
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City State Zip	Registration Fee Includes: CD Rom, Wednesday evening reception, continental breakfast, lunch, and breaks. Space is limited, so register early.  Please mail or fax registration form with check or credit card payment to: WEAT  1825 Fort View Road, Suite 102  Austin, Texas 78704  Phone: (512) 693-0060  Fax: (512) 693-0062  Register on line at <a href="https://www.weat.org">www.weat.org</a> or Email registration forms to julie@weat.org		
Member – Government/City @\$145= \$  Student @\$15= \$  *Non-Member @\$235= \$  *Non-Member – Gov/City@\$195= \$  *(includes WEAT Only Membership)  Total = \$	WEAT has reserved a block of rooms at the Embassy Suites, 1001 McCarty Lane, San Marcos, TX 78666.  WEAT has obtained discounted single or double rate of \$134. The reservation deadline is <b>July 22, 2013.</b> After this date, reservations will be accepted on a availability basis.		
AFTER JULY 24TH – ADD \$20 TO FEE.  Please duplicate form for additional registration	To make your reservation, call 512-392-6450. Be sure to mention WEAT when making your reservation.		

QUESTIONS: Call the WEAT Office at (866) 406-9328 or email julie@weat.org
Exhibits and Sponsorship Opportunities Available





# W. Wesley Eckenfelder

## **Lecture Series**

Tuesday, July 2, 2013 - 9:00 A.M. - 2:00 P.M. McLennan County College, Waco, TX

The Eckenfelder Lecture Series was developed to honor Dr. W. Wesley Eckenfelder's distinguished career as an environmental trailblazer spanning more than 60 years, during which time he taught and trained thousands of graduate students and professionals in the art and science of wastewater treatment. This year WEAT is proud to present lectures by several key professionals and academics greatly influenced by Dr. Eckenfelder, including Dr. Joe Yelderman, Dr. Bill Batchelor, Dr. Bryan Brooks, and Dr. Ben Stanford.

# Understanding What You Can't See: Emerging Contaminants and Fate of Compounds in Wastewater Treatment

PROGRAM				
8:00 am - Registration, Continental Breakfast, Coffee				
8:55 am - Welcome by Mr. Curtis Smalley, WEAT President	3:55 am - Welcome by Mr. Curtis Smalley, WEAT President			
9:00 am - Lessons Learned from a Wastewater Research Facility - Dr. Joe Yelderman, Baylor University				
9:45 am - Interaction of Contaminant Properties and Plant Characteristics in Determining Fate of Compounds in Wastewater Treatment Plants - Dr. Bill Batchelor, Texas A&M University				
10:30 am - Break				
10:40 am – Perspectives on Environmental Assessments of Contaminants of Emerging Concerns - Dr. Bryan Brooks, Baylor University				
11:25 am - Efficacy and Energy Requirements for Trace Contaminant Removal in Water Reuse Systems- Dr. Ben Stanford, Hazen and Saywer, P.C.				
12:10 am - Lunch				
1:00 pm - Panel Discussion with Q&A - led by Dr. Ana J. Pena-Tijerina, City of Fort Worth Water Department				
2:00 pm – Adjourn				
A continental breakfast and lunch will be provided. 4.0 hours  Of Wastewater CEUs have been requested through TCEO	No.	Registrant Type		

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# summer seminar 2013

Emerging Issues in the Water/Wastewater Industry



If you would like to be a sponsor for this event, please contact David Bennett at dtb@freese.com for more details.

Hosted by:



Friday, July 26 8 AM - 4 PM

San Antonio Water System

Tower II, 1st Floor Rooms CR-145 & CR-154 2800 US Hwy 281 North San Antonio, TX 78212

#### **REGISTER NOW**

Early Fee: \$65 Late Fee (starts Jul 19): \$85

To register, visit weat.org and click on "Online Webinar and Conference Registration!"















