



# Water Environment Association of Texas

## Southeast Section | NEWS

### 2017 HALF DAY SEMINAR

**When:** February 16, 2017  
7:30 AM — 1:30 PM

**REGISTRATION NOW OPEN [HERE!](#)**

**Where:** Hilton Houston Westchase Hotel  
9999 Westheimer Road  
Houston, TX 77042



**KEYNOTE SPEAKER:** Texas State Rep. Lyle Larson

**Individual Registration:**  
Private Sector—\$100  
Government/Student—\$20

**PRESENTATIONS PROVIDED BY:**



- \*City of Houston
- \* City of Austin
- \* San Jacinto River Authority
- \* Gulf Coast Waste Disposal Authority
- \* WEAT/AWWA Government Relations Reps

### WEAT SE UPCOMING EVENTS

January 2017	EIC/Operations Event
February 16, 2017	Half Day Seminar
February 18-24, 2017	Houston Engineers Week
April 2017	Texas Water Conference
May 2017	Ethics Lunch
July 2017	EIC/Operations Event

### WEAT UPCOMING EVENTS

April 10-13, 2017	Texas Water 2017 in Austin , TX
May 18-19, 2017	Water Reuse in Texas Conference in El Paso, TX
August 9-10, 2017	Biosolids and Odor and Corrosion Control Conference in San Marcos, TX

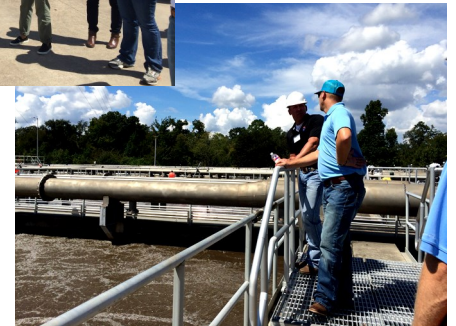
### SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

Presenting Event Sponsor	\$5,000; 8 Event Tickets; Premium Reserved Table w/Signage; Prominent Logo Display & Recognition
Gold	\$1,500; 8 Event Tickets; Reserved Table w/ Signage; Corporate Logo Display
Silver	\$1,000; 4 Event Tickets; Corporate Logo Display
Bronze	\$500; 2 Event Tickets; Corporate Logo Display



## CITY OF CONROE SOUTHWEST REGIONAL WWTP TOUR

On September 22<sup>nd</sup>, the City of Conroe and Lockwood, Andrews & Newnam, Inc. (LAN) lead a tour of Conroe's newly renovated Southwest Regional Wastewater Treatment Plant (SWR WWTP). Greg Hall, Jr., of the City of Conroe, and Paul Wood, of LAN, presented to the group of WEAT attendees on the process upgrades and significant energy-saving renovations. Following the presentations, both individuals led groups around the SWR WWTP to see the improvements first-hand.



## 4<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL CLAY SHOOT

On October 14<sup>th</sup>, WEAT members gathered at American Shooting Centers at for the 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Sporting Clays Tournament. The event featured 14 teams competing for prizes and bragging rights at games and the 10 station tournament to raise funds for the SE Section of WEAT Scholarship Fund.

**Winning Team:** Magna Flow

**Top Shooter Tier 1:** Vic Sanchez

**Top Shooter Tier 2:** Ryan Molenda

**Top Female Shooter:** Rachel Musgrove

**2-Man Flurry Game Winner:** Clay Hoffpuair and Victor Sanchez

**Pair-in-the-Air Game Winners (tied):** Clay Hoffpuair, Bubba Reeves and Erik Miller

The event was organized by Tara Payne of McManus Johnson and Drew Crow of Jones and Carter. Over \$9,000 was raised for the Scholarship Fund and to fund WEAT-supported educational and community-focused activities.





## THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

WEAT Southeast Section,

2016 is in the history books... As we look forward to 2017, I want to thank you for your involvement in our section, wish you a happy New Year, and remind you about the events we have planned for you next year. Kindly consider forwarding this newsletter to the new EITs in your organization, and encourage them to get involved in WEAT.

As always, if you have ideas on how we can better serve you and your colleagues, please don't hesitate to contact me or any of our leadership team.

**THANK YOU!**

In the September Newsletter, I shared our goal to exceed the \$5,000 minimum endowment amount in our scholarship fund. **WE'VE ALREADY ACCOMPLISHED OUR GOAL!** Thanks to your generous involvement in our fall tour of the Conroe WWTP and the 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Clay Shoot, our section has already sent a \$6,000 check to the WEAT Scholarship Fund. That means that we can begin **awarding scholarship money to students** this coming fall. In the spring/summer of 2017, we'll be able to announce more details of our scholarship fund. The leadership team and I want to sincerely thank you for your support.

**LEADERSHIP TEAM**

As our section grows, we continue to add positions and responsibilities to our leadership team. I want to thank all of our officers and committee chairs who continue to work beyond their 8 - 5 to the betterment of our section, our members, and our industry.


Thank you for participating in your WEAT Southeast Texas Section,



Kendall J. Ryan



**Kendall Ryan**  
Southeast Section President



### ABOUT WEAT

The **Water Environment Association of Texas** (WEAT) is made up of about 1,600 Texas professionals including scientists, engineers, utility managers, operators and regulators who have dedicated their careers to protecting and enhancing our state's water resources.





## KEEP CALM AND JOIN US FOR HAPPY HOUR

WHAT: YOUNG PROFESSIONAL'S HAPPY HOUR SOCIAL  
 WHEN: TUESDAY JANUARY 17<sup>TH</sup> STARTING AT 5:30 PM  
 WHERE: 5320 WESTHEIMER, HOUSTON, TX 77056  
 RSVP: VIA EMAIL AT [KSATRA@HRGREEN.COM](mailto:KSATRA@HRGREEN.COM)



## YOUNG MEMBER INITIATIVE HAPPY HOUR



On September 21<sup>st</sup>, SE WEAT Young Members joined forces with Young Member groups from all engineering disciplines for a Happy Hour at Sherlock's Baker Street Pub to kick off the new Young Member Initiative. The event was attended by 65 young professionals from the Houston area. The Young Member Initiative is a coordinated effort among young engineers to provide networking and community service events for Young Members across all engineering disciplines. The Initiative consists of ASCE, AWWA, SAME, SHPE, TPWA and WEAT.

## YOUNG PROFESSIONALS BUFFALO BAYOU CLEANUP

On October 22<sup>nd</sup>, SE WEAT Young Professionals participated in a trash cleanup and gardening event at the Eleanor Tinsley Park along Buffalo Bayou in Houston. The event was organized jointly with the young professionals section of the AWWA and ASCE committees. 15 Young Professionals volunteered their early morning Saturday picking up trash in the park and gardening. This event will also be entered into the statewide WEAT YP Texas River Cleanup Challenge.



## WATER FOR PEOPLE FUNDRAISER

On November 2<sup>nd</sup>, the SE Section of WEAT teamed up with SE Section of TAWWA to host a fundraiser for Water For People at St. Arnold Brewing Co. Water For People is a non-profit that promotes the development of high quality drinking water and sanitation services, accessible to all, and sustained by strong communities, businesses and government. The event, organized by Adam Eaton of CDM Smith and Jonathan Sandhu of Brown and Caldwell, raised over \$3,500 for the organization.







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## 2016 - 2017 OFFICERS AND COMMITTEE CHAIRS

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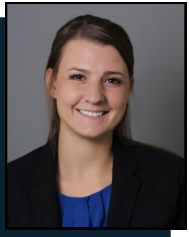
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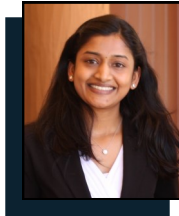


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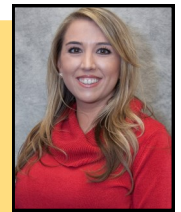
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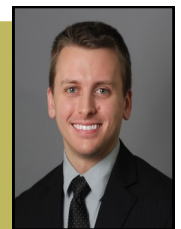
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