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COLORADO WATER QUALITY ASSOCIATION

President's Corner

OUTSTANDING DUES FOR 2003

There are a few of you that might have overlooked paying your 2003 dues to the CWQA. Please remember that with our new, updated web site we can list the paid memberships under "retail/dealer" and/or "wholesale/supplier". Since consumers are encouraged to log onto our web site, as well you may receive additional business from this source. Also, if you have your own web site you may link to CWQA's "members" page for just \$25 yearly for extra exposure for your business. If you have already paid your 2003 dues, please visit the CWQA web site at www.cwqa.org, and click on "members" verify that you are listed indeed. If you are not listed, please e-mail me at pwaelti@cwqa.org and include the date when you paid your dues.

Time is going by so fast, especially if you are engulfed in your business, juggling family, and work to meet the "day to day" challenges. We continue and try to move forward, almost robot-like. Often we forget that we are a part of a greater picture and without keeping that "greater picture" in mind, we lose focus on our dreams and aspirations, the reason why we chose, in first place, to be a part of the water industry.

Who motivates the motivator? Who encourages you? Who shares ideas with you? Who redirects your thinking? Who aligns your goals so that you are "back on track"? The answer is simple: the CWQA, your statewide organization. Once a year we "re-load" and meet all kinds of people within our industry. We try to rekindle friendships and make new ones. Learn from the best,

play with the best!

Is it important that you participate at this year's conference in Estes Park starting October 3rd? You bet it is! Your support means a lot. Your commitment to the industry is manifested with your presence. Can you afford to get away from your business for a couple of days? I believe you can't afford not to come! Why, you may ask? For one, it's a family affair. Bring your spouses or children; the beginning of October is perfect for fun and Elk watching in Estes Park. Come enjoy the breathtaking scenery and learn about your industry at the same time. Industry specialists travel to Colorado from far away places to speak to you and share their knowledge with you, so that you can improve your bottom-line. Vendors display their goods so you may profit from their services. The National WQA offers

exams for certification in-state, so you can save on expensive out-of-state travel. And they offer a pre-certification seminar on ozone applications (which means that they cover most questions asked in the test given a couple of hours later). And yes, for those of you that enjoy a round of golf, there is an opportunity to relax and make new friends.

If you make your living by being a part of the water industry, then you owe it to yourself to show up, to participate, to learn and play. The only way to improve and change things in a forward, positive manner is to be part of it.

All for one, one for all!

See you all in Estes Park!

Peter Waelti

CWQA President 2003/2004

CWQA 2003 Annual Conference in Estes Park

Mark your calendar! The CWQA can only grow with your personal commitment, involvement and support. Part of that is showing up at our yearly conference, held this year at the Holiday Inn in Estes Park. With beautiful elk on the streets and enthusiastic CWQA members in Estes Park, a good, successful time can be had by all! The choice for this location came from last year's participants in Dillon, based on the questionnaire you completed.

Friday, October 3rd, 2003

8:00 – 12:00 Pre-Certification Seminar for WQA exam on "Ozone" applications (0.4 CEU's)

1:00 – 5:00 Exams for WQA certification (if passed counts as 1.5 CEU's)

1:00 – 5:00 Golf (for those that do not take exam)

6:00 – 9:00 Vendor Booths & Exhibition with Dinner Buffet

Saturday, October 4th, 2003

8:00 – 5:00 Seminars & Education (total of 0.45 CEU's) Including lunch (covered with registration)

6:30 Dinner (Pre-Paid with registration)

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Sunday, October 5th, 2003

8:00 – 10:00 Board Of Directors meeting

Details on speakers and subjects are listed on www.cwqa.org by clicking on the “convention and seminars” link and then on “upcoming conference”. You also will find links to the registration forms both for the conference and the hotel reservation on the web site. Simply print them out and fax them to the CWQA and/or the Holiday Inn in Estes Park directly. To enable you to bring employees and/or family, we are offering, this year, our “2 for 1 package”. If you register by **September 13th**, the CWQA

registration is only \$95 for one or two attendees, Saturday dinner is \$35/person, and for those of you that will play golf an additional \$95. We were able to secure hotel rooms at a reduced rate of \$99 per night. After September 13, the rate will be \$129 instead. So please register early. We need your participation, for your continued education, fellowship, and out of respect to vendors and speakers that volunteer their time and effort. Plus, you can earn up to 2.35 CEU’s for re-certification with the WQA if you attend the Pre-Certification Seminar on Friday, take an exam the same afternoon, and attend the Saturday sessions. You can find re-certification requirements on our web site, as well. It’s more economical to travel to Estes Park than going to Baltimore in March. Help us to break an attendance record this year!

CWQA.ORG

Check out your brand new Colorado Water Quality Association web site. If you log on and get the Canadian water Quality Association, you logged on as “.com” and not “.org”. We revamped the entire site, making it more practical, informational and interesting. Please log on and familiarize yourself with the topics and services offered. Tell your customers and prospects to log on and familiarize themselves with the site. Be proud to be part of a group that abides by WQA’s “Code of Ethics” and the “Antitrust Statement”.

*The site informs you about the objectives of the CWQA including legislative news.

*There is helpful information for the consumer, as well as the water industry specialist. It helps the consumer to gain greater awareness about possible water problems and the appropriate recommendations. The website can also guide users to a member of the CWQA to seek a remedy to their water treatment issues. This is your benefit as a paid member.

*Paid membership per calendar year will list your company under either “retail and

dealer” category or the “wholesale and supplier” category.

*Add your own web site for a nominal yearly fee to the CWQA member’s listing.

*Listing of Officers and Board of Directors of the CWQA, who are eager to assist you.

*News about the CWQA, updates etc.

*Convention and seminars including information on the upcoming conference in October, as well as reports on past conferences.

*Forms and applications for CWQA membership, WQA membership, Conference registration, Hotel Registration for the Conference, Registration for WQA’s Exams and Pre-Certification Seminar.

*Links to the AWWA, BBB, EPA, NSF, WQA and UL. Also WQA’s Antitrust Statement and Code of Ethics.

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*And you can leave us feedback or contact us.