CWWCA MID-YEAR CONFERENCE
JULY 15-16, 2016
BEAVER RUN RESORT BRECKENRIDGE, CO

PROGRAM

Friday, July 15

AM  8:00  9:45  Conference Registration Open/CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST
     8:30  8:45  CWWCA Board of Directors Working Session
     8:45  9:45  TWG Meeting
     9:45  10:00  Lightening Round
 10:00  10:50  “Hydraulic Fracturing-Water Well Fracking vs. Oil and Gas Fracking” Fred Rothauge,
              Hydro Resources Rocky Mountain, Inc *1 hr
 11:00  11:50  “Portland Cement Annular Seals” Ed Anderson, Bariod IDP *1 hr
Noon  12:30  SUPPLIER SPONSORED LUNCH
PM  12:30  1:00  Meet with Suppliers at Table Top Exhibits
       1:00  2:50  MCPELLIHEY LECTURE “Treatment Technologies
              For Water-bourne Contaminants in Ground
              Water Supplies” Peter Cartwright *2 hrs
       2:50  3:00  SUPPLIER SPONSORED
              COFFEE & COOKIE BREAK
       3:00  3:30  Meet with Suppliers at Table Top Exhibits
       3:30  4:00  Suppliers Meeting
       3:30  4:30  “Colorado Water Well Rule Changes Panel”
              Kevin Donegan, Doug Stephenson, Fred Rothauge,
              Larry Finney, Joel Canfield *1 hr

        4:30 -7:30 SUPPLIER SPONSORED HAPPY
        HOUR & DINNER BUFFET

Saturday, July 16

AM  7:00  8:00  SUPPLIER SPONSORED BREAKFAST BUFFET
     8:00  9:50  DOT Compliance Ryan Byers, Safety Management
              Consultant, Front Range Compliance *2 hrs
     10:00 10:50  CWWCA MID-YEAR MEMBERSHIP MEETING
     11:00 11:50  “Traumatic Injuries, Treatment and
              Prevention” Gene Wagner, Quality Irrigation *1 hr
     12:15 2:30  CWWCA Board Meeting/Working Lunch

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CWWCA CALENDAR OF EVENTS
July 15-16, 2016  Mid-Year Conference Beaver Run Resort, Breckenridge, CO
July 16, 2016  CWWCA Board of Directors Meeting
August 1, 2016  BOE Meeting
October 7, 2016  CWWCA Board of Directors Meeting Chase Bank Building, Englewood, CO
November 7, 2016  BOE Meeting
January 12-13, 2017  Annual Conference, CROWNE PLAZA, DIA, Denver, CO
January 13, 2017  CWWCA Board of Directors Meeting
Greetings Fellow Contractors,

I trust everyone is having a safe and prosperous summer.

The CWWCA has received a letter of resignation from Mike Wiedorn, (Vice-President) and from Jeff Appel, (Supplier Director). The CWWCA Constitution states, “Vacancies on the Board of Directors shall be filled by the Executive Committee until the next annual conference.” Therefore the Executive Committee has appointed Bryan Beckner to the Vice-President position. The Executive Committee appointed Brad Himes to Secretary-Treasurer and appointed Tom Harder to fill the vacant Suppliers Director position. On behalf of the CWWCA I would like to thank Mike Wiedorn and Jeff Appel for all of their service and dedication to the CWWCA. Both have been an asset to our association and will be missed. Thanks to Bryan Beckner, Brad Himes and Tom Harder for filling the vacant positions. We are now left with a vacancy in the district 2 Director position which we are working to fill.

The Board of Directors may ask the membership to consider changing the Constitution/By-laws to allow contractors from outside a district to serve as that district’s Director. Changes to the Constitution/By-laws can only happen at the annual membership meeting.

I would like to thank Todd Hunter for donating a new laptop computer to the CWWCA. The laptop will be used at CWWCA conferences for speakers to use during their presentations.

On May 16th the Board of Examiners finalized the Rulemaking process by accepting the “Draft Final Action Document”. Thanks to all those who participated in the Rulemaking process by submitting comments and those who provided testimony at the Board of Examiners public hearing. Thanks to Matt Sares, Kevin Donagen, Andy Flor, Doug Stephenson and Laura Kalafus of the B.O.E. staff and Derek Turner of the Attorney General’s Office. I think the knowledge and the preparedness of these individuals made the entire Rulemaking process a success.

I hope to see everyone at Breckenridge in July for our Mid-Year Conference.

Regards,
Keith Branstetter
CWWCA President

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Friday, July 15, 2016
8:00 am - 9:45 am Exhibitor Set Up/Continental Breakfast
9:45 am - 10:00 am Lightening Round Supplier Introductions
10:00 am - 4:30 pm Continued Education Classes Begin 8 Hours of CE
12:00 pm - 12:30 pm LUNCH

Scheduled time for attendees to spend with Suppliers and their table top display! 
Break times also!
12:00 - 1:00 pm and 3:00 pm - 3:30 pm

3:30 pm - 4:00 pm SUPPLIERS MEETING
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### CONFERENCE REGISTRATION

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| Children under 13 Lunch Only | $12.00 | ____ | $____ |
| Friday Dinner Only | $58.00 | ____ | $____ |
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Dinner (includes 1 drink ticket)  $58.00 x _____ + $_____ = $___________

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“The Board of Directors wants to Supply CWWCA members with more safety information starting with this issue. Please find the following article Courtesy of Fred Rothauge and Hydro Resources Compliance Monthly Publication.”

Safety Is NOT Common Sense
By Heath Taylor, CSP, WST Safety Supervisor

I have been in the safety profession for eight years. During those years I have heard one common expression over and over again, “Safety is common sense.” This phrase, this assumption, insinuates that safety is easy. My goal is to bring perspective to how much intention, knowledge, skill, and dedication that applies to safety.

Safety has come a long way since the industrial age. Safety is no longer innate assumptions made by untrained and unqualified people. Safety is the sum of chemistry, engineering, physics, psychology, physiology, design, and culture. Safety is actually not as naturally instinctive as one may think. There are self-preserving instincts pre-programed into humans; such as a fear of heights, or the compulsion for security, but for the most part humans are risk takers. We make analysis of what we deduce as safe or unsafe, usually based on personal experience, and take measured risks on a daily basis. The best illustration I can think of is someone on a ladder reaching as far as they can to the left or right, barely hanging on with one toe and two fingers just to avoid moving the ladder. Fred A. Manuele, who wrote Advanced Safety Management Focusing on Z10 and Serious Injury Prevention, encourages employers to reduce error-provocative situations; such as inherently complicated tasks, induced fatigue or unpleasant requirements. His basis here is that employees will take the path of least resistance. It takes discipline, commitment to excellence, and a sense of accountability to do the right thing, especially when the right thing is more difficult. One has to go against their instincts and make a conscious decision to be safe when there is opportunity to take a shortcut.

Common sense for all intents and purposes is retrospective. Employees who have not made an error themselves, or at least received proper training, do not have this perspective. “Didn’t that guy know if he cut into that tank it could explode?” The answer often times is no. The tank wasn’t labeled, the employee was new to the site and used to cut on water tanks before this job, the employee didn’t know that grain emitted volatile fumes and no one told him. Many people have died in fires, being crushed by poor constructed buildings, explosions, and the tragic list goes on. For each of these deaths we must capitalize the opportunity to learn. Brushing these incidents off as errors made only by the simpleminded, because they didn’t have common sense, neglects the opportunity for improvement. Manufacturers have changed their chemical compounds, OSHA has changed regulations for exposure limits to employees, and buildings are constructed with better material because they took time to study catastrophes instead of ignoring them.

Sam Levenson said, “You must learn from the mistakes of others, you can’t possibly live long enough to make them all yourself.” Ancient Greek philosopher Democritus also said, “A fool can learn from his own experience; the wise learn from the experience of others.” I challenge everyone who is reading this to take the time to evaluate any mistake that you have made, any near hit, any close call, and not only learn from it but share it. You never know, you may save a life.
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Adjournment Sine Die: The 2016 regular session adjourned on May 11 thus bringing to a close the 120 calendar day session that began in January. A total of 685 bills were introduced as well as several handfuls of resolutions, memorials, tributes and other matters. Of the 685 bills, 387 actually made their way through the process and onto the Governor’s desk. That is 56% of the bills introduced. As of the date of this report, the Governor had not vetoed any bills. However, there are a few on his desk that might not survive. The Governor has until June 10 to act on bills that have been sent to him. He may sign them, he may veto them or he may do nothing and allow them to become law without his signature. As of adjournment sine die, there were about 200 bills headed to him.

In the opening sentence of this update it was noted that the “regular” session had adjourned sine die. That was done purposely to set the stage for a discussion of the possibility of a special session. Further on the issue of a special session will be discussed in relation to the April 25 decision by the Colorado Supreme Court that affects refunds from severance tax liability.

One of the final actions taken by the legislature before adjournment sine die was to set the date for the convening of the 2017 session. It will be at 10:00 AM on January 11, 2017.

Laws Enacted Compendium: Following the final action by the Governor on all the bills that have been sent to him, we will prepare the annual compendium of new laws enacted. It should be completed and distributed in late June. This compendium includes all of the new laws that were enacted which are likely to have an effect on the members of CWWCA. It will include new laws that were not necessarily followed during the legislative process. For example, a law which has a relatively minor effect on contracting or employer-employee relationships might not have been followed closely during the session but needs to be highlighted for general information purposes. The compendium does not include information about bills which died somewhere in the process.

BP America v. Department of Revenue and SB16-218: This report may seem to be an odd one for CWWCA since severance taxes are not something we regularly watch. However, it is important for understanding the context of the financial debacle this decision may cause and that it may be the catalyst for a special session in the next few weeks. Just as the legislators were feeling that the session was in its wind down phase, along came a decision by the Colorado Supreme Court that knocked everything into a cocked hat. The decision and the timing of its release conspired to create a potential budget crisis. The decision was handed down on April 25 – just a couple of weeks prior to adjournment sine die. However, the FY16-17 budget had been closed and the Governor had signed the long appropriations bill. It took a few days for the implications of the decision to become evident – and each day brought the legislature closer to adjournment sine die. The calendar was not a friend.

The dispute arose over what expenses were legitimate deductions for an energy company to take against its severance tax liability. The company, BP America, sought to secure a refund from its severance tax liability for what is referred to as the “cost of capital” that was associated with investments in facilities used for natural gas production. The Department of Revenue denied the request and BP America sought judicial reversal. The district court agreed with BP America, and DOR appealed. The Court of Appeals reversed the district court and held for DOR. BP America then sought review by the Colorado Supreme Court.

The Colorado Supreme Court agreed with BP America in a unanimous decision. DOR had lost again. The Supreme Court noted that the plain language of the severance tax statute recognized and allowed the deduction. The Supreme Court reversed the Court of Appeals and remanded the case back to the Court of Appeals with instructions to return the case to the district court. The timing on what happens at the district court has not been established. The actual amount of refund to BP America was estimated to be somewhere around $2 million to $2.5 million – not an alarming amount. But as more analysis of the decision and its implications began to surface, it became quite clear that any company that had been denied a similar deduction by DOR was a potential recipient of a refund. According to a staff memo prepared by JBC staff, the aggregate effect of all the potential refunds might exceed $98 million.

The potential fiscal impact to the state for the refunds is substantial but that is not all the likely impact. Now that the Colorado Supreme Court has explained the plain language of the severance tax law, the deduction will not be in dispute for any tax filings going forward. That will mean that severance tax revenues will be lessened – but it is not clear that the amount can be estimated at this point. With global gluts of oil still depressing production operations, severance tax revenues have already been estimated to take a dip of two-thirds to three-quarters of the previous year. The deduction will fundamentally push that percentage of decline higher than earlier revenue estimates.

With this background, the JBC introduced SB16-218 on Friday, May 6. The bill literally makes emergency set asides from several sources (predominantly sources that receive appropriations based on severance tax revenues) to be able to meet any demands for refunds. These set asides should not be considered to be diversions or reappropriations. They are more akin to a contingency in the event that they must

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be used to satisfy the refunds. However, the funds are restricted for the time being which means that they cannot be used to satisfy the needs for which they were appropriated. According to the fiscal note prepared by Legislative Council on the reengrossed version of SB16-218, a total of $48.3 million in the Local Government Severance Tax Fund, a total of $10.0 million in the Severance Tax Operational Fund, and $19.1 million in the Severance Tax Perpetual Base Fund have been restricted. SB16-218 provides that the JBC may lift these restrictions. Until the full impact of the decision is really understood and steps can be taken to meet the requested refunds, the money allocated to those funds will likely sit idle until the JBC is confident that the restriction can be lifted.

There are still lots of unknowns and ramifications that cannot be known until the unknowns are resolved – in a sense it is a somewhat bizarre situation in which unknowns are contingent upon other unknowns being resolved.

A Special Session? A question that has begun to emerge is whether this budgetary situation is critical enough that the Governor will need to call the legislature into special session to address it. Such questions are premature given that a full understanding of the implications of the decision have not been determined. Once those determinations have been made and there is an opportunity to decide whether SB16-218 fixes the exposure or whether it needs additional statutory authority, it will be clear whether a special session is warranted. However, there are other issues which were not resolved during the just completed session. A bill to address liability for construction defects never materialized despite negotiations having been conducted throughout the session. This is a very high profile issue with several home rule cities already having enacted local ordinances to establish some controls over litigation based on construction defects. There is genuine concern that the ordinances enacted by those cities will exceed their home rule powers and will be struck down by the Supreme Court. Keep in mind that the Supreme Court recently disallowed local attempts by home rule cities to curtail oil and natural gas operations in their cities. Home rule provides a great deal of flexibility for cities over matters of local concern but it does not transform such cities into city states. This uncertainty makes investors nervous and there has been a chilling effect on the market for the construction of multi-family housing. Some groups that have been working on this issue for the past few years are already speaking publicly about asking for a special session.

The proposal to convert the existing cash fund based hospital provider fee to a TABOR recognized enterprise was supported by a wide range

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of interests throughout the state. It was not just the hospitals that were in support. The statewide chamber of commerce and numerous other business groups and organizations also support the conversion. As it was postured before the Senate, the bill (HB16-1420) would have created around $700 million in budgetary capacity for the JBC to work with. That change would allow the legislature to provide more funding for priority projects such as K-12 education, higher education, highways and other programs. And, as noted previously, a companion bill that was also killed in the Senate would have used some of that capacity to refund previously diverted funds from the severance tax. As is the situation with the construction defects issue, the conversion of the hospital provider fee has also generated public statements from interest groups that they believe the matter should be brought back in a special session.

The legislature also failed to enact new legislation to resurrect the presidential primary. Many interest groups were not happy that both of the bills to establish the primary died. Following the widespread logistic breakdown that occurred with the party caucuses this year, there is nearly unanimous support for bringing the primary back.

And there is the “liquor-in-grocery stores” matter. A compromise bill was cobbled together in the last hours of the session and is awaiting the Governor’s action. It is a complex bill that is very hard to interpret. The Governor has indicated that he needs to understand it clearly before he would be comfortable signing it. It is possible that the bill might be vetoed. Even further complicating this issue is the potential for one or more ballot measures to be voted on this November. There was some thought that a compromise bill might induce the proponents of those measures to withdraw them.

However, ballot measures operate on a different calendar than does the legislature. A ballot issue that is to potentially be certified by the Secretary of State must be submitted with its requisite signatures in early August. The issue is a logistic one that centers on the date by which the Secretary of State must certify the ballot so it can be loaded into voting machines and printed for those who vote by mail. If the Governor vetoes the compromise bill, the proponents may feel that they have no option but to continue with the signature gathering in order to meet the calendar deadlines for certification. Including the issue in the call for special session does not change the election calendar since there can be no certainty that a legislative remedy can be crafted.

The severance tax refunds combined with these high profile unresolved issues may create an atmosphere that warrants a special session. The Governor has considerable latitude in framing the issues that he includes in a call for a special session. However, he may not use the wording of the call items to dictate the outcome of any proposed legislation. The crafting of language for a call is as much art as is policy.

The Governor must also weigh whether he believes that the current roster of members of the legislature could develop acceptable legislation in just a few days when they were unable to do so during the last 120 days. There is little point in calling a special session – or including issues that cannot be resolved – if the special session will end in deadlock without moving anything forward.

The Governor must also decide when the legislature would be brought back to the Capitol. If the severance tax refund is determined to be an issue that must be resolved before the current fiscal year ends on June 30, he must take into account the primary election to be held on June 28. Waiting until after July 1 to bring the legislators back has to be balanced with the reality of the national conventions of both parties and the fact that many legislators are delegates and will be out of the state.

And, the Governor would have to decide which, or all, of the noted issues should be included. There may be others that have come to his attention as well. A special session to address construction defects, hospital provider fee conversion, presidential primaries and severance tax refunds would be an extraordinary array of high profile issues upon which there is no obvious consensus. Even with careful drafting of the call items, it has to be realistically questioned whether there is a likelihood that the issues could be resolved in a matter of days.

Many considerations, many dilemmas.

**Water Resources Review Committee:** The summer schedule is starting to come together. Here are the dates and locations:

- July 12, Alamosa (site TBD)
- August 2, Grand Junction (site TBD)
- August 16, Denver - State Capitol
- August 24 - Steamboat Springs in conjunction with Water Congress summer meeting
- September 20 - Denver - State Capitol

In addition, the committee will be doing some tours. No details released yet.

There will be quite a few issues. The following are ones that Rep. Vigil has agreed to - but some may be deleted and others added. They have not been paired up with dates and locations yet.

- Water Banking
- ATM’s
- Aging Infrastructure
- Water Loss Audit Reporting
- Financing Water Projects

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TWG MEETING RECAP

April 8, 2016 - Draft

Next TWG Meeting:
8:45 – 9:45 AM, Friday, July 15, 2016
Beaver Run Resort
Breckenridge, CO

Attendees:
Fred Baros, Bruce Hier, Tom Harder, Joe Meigs, Fred Rothauge, Peter Berglund, Daniel Niemala, Bryan Beckner, Keith Branstetter, Brad Himes, Gene Wagner, Vicki Wagner, Joel Canfield

Moderator for July 2016 Meeting:
Fred Rothauge

DWR Report
The number of well permit applications from January 1 through March 31 are summarized below. The number of permit applications in 2016 have been similar to 2015, if not a little higher.

The Water Well Construction Rules testimony period is closed following the March 17 – 18 Water Well Construction Rules (Rules) hearing. There will be a special BOE meeting at May 16, 2016 at 9:00 AM to approve the Rules. The final draft Rules will be posted to the BOE website about a week before the May 16 BOE meeting. Rules, if approved, will be effective September 1, 2016.
The DWR has proposed a new rule that requires contractors to document the condition of a pre-72 well prior to replacement using a modified version of the GWS-68 form.

Production wells constructed in accordance with the current (2005) Water Well Construction Rules may be re-permitted for new approved uses after the new (2016) Water Well Construction Rules are effective. Currently, there is no requirement for pre-1972 wells to be registered, however the 2016 Water Well Construction Rules will require a pump installation report to be filed. The DWR will need to develop a way to track pump installations for unregistered wells.

**Water Well Construction Rules**

The DWR thanks Colorado water well contractors for their input.

**Well Inspection Program**
The DWR has been very supportive of fully funding the Well Inspection Program. There is concern that the well inspection program may not be included in the 2017 budget because it was late to be addressed by the Joint Budget Committee. The challenge today, as it has been in the past, is competing funds for many different programs. Currently the target is a total of five well inspectors, one chief well inspector and four field inspectors.

Dick Brown (CWWCA Lobbyist) was late and gave his presentation on the Tabor Enterprise for the well inspection program. Because they were late in the session they had decided to postpone the introduction of the bill until next year after having the bill professionally drafted and received more comments from all interested parties. They have sponsors in both houses of the legislature and looks pretty good for next year but it is uncertain what will happen in November.

**Future Topics**
Variance templates
Well inspection program
(added 5/19): New BOE meeting schedule – First Monday of Feb, May, Aug, Nov
(added 5/19): Drilling Fluid Additives

Respectfully submitted by Daniel O. Niemela

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CODY WESSBECKER
Junior Year is About Making Moves
Throughout my junior year I have kept my GPA up, and have begun to search for real world experience. Just this past week I have had interviews with 2 different companies in search for a summer internship position. I am hungry to gain some real world experience within the field of finance and begin to take what I have learned in the classroom, and take it to the real world. I know that by doing this I will be bettering myself for my future. Recently I applied to become a member of the Summit Fund. This prestigious program accepts a select few students to buy and sell stocks in the market for class credit. Finance is something that I am very interested and I can’t wait to have this opportunity this summer

As for my future after graduation, it is hard to say exactly where I will be and what I will be doing. If somebody told you they knew exactly where they would be in 5 years they would be lying. Life constantly throws curve balls at you and gives you new obstacles that you have to face. One thing that I can say for sure is that I am excited to see what comes next. I love being challenged and believe that this will help me grow into my career. I have had an incredible opportunity here at Colorado State University and I feel that has prepared me well for my future. With my work ethic and passion for perfection, I truly believe that I can handle anything that life decides to throw at me in my upcoming years.

LONNY TRELAL
I am starting my fourth and last semester at Northeastern Junior College with a cumulative G.P.A of 3.35. I have completed 62 credit hours in my first 3 semesters and am taking 14 this last semester. I have been participating on the Livestock Judging Team at several national contests throughout the fall including the North American livestock Exposition in Louisville Kentucky, and the American Royal in Kansas City, Missouri. My most recent national contest was the National Western Stock show where I was named high individual overall. This spring we will finish the judging season with three national contests in Texas. The first of those three is the Fort Worth Stock Show and Rodeo February 2nd followed by San Antonio, and then we will finish with a contest in Houston on March 16. After I finish at Northeastern I hope to transfer to a four year college to finish my degree. I have applied and been accepted to several senior colleges but I have not decided on which one I want to transfer to. I have been accepted to Texas A&M, Texas Tech, West Texas A&M, Colorado State University and University of Nebraska Lincoln.

LAURA TEMPLE
After living in Caceres, Spain for a year of my high school career I decided to spend my first year of college abroad as well. I spent my freshman year from 2014-2015 studying at the University of Saint Louis Madrid. Ultimately, I decided to transfer back home to Colorado where I grew up. After spending my sophomore year at The University of Colorado Boulder I plan on continuing my education here and graduating in 2018 after another 2 years. At the end of this semester I will have completed 63 credits, 9 of which I have completed through AP credit in high school, 29 through transfer credit from Saint Louis University Madrid and 25 completed this year at The University of Colorado Boulder. Based on these credits I expect to graduate by the Spring of 2018. As of now I have a cumulative GPA of 3.025 and based off of my current grades. I am expecting to raise it by the end of this semester. I am a Psychology major and am taking all of the required courses for Psychology as well as classes for the pre-health track including biology, chemistry, anatomy etc. I also love to travel and have a high interest in the history of various cultures and would like to minor in a history related field. Apart from schoolwork I do about 3 hours of volunteer work each week for The Gift of Life, a nonprofit organization with the goal of recruiting bone marrow and stem cell donors for people with blood-related illnesses. I have been working with them on campus since early September. After I graduate from CU I plan on applying to accelerated nursing programs and/or physician assistant schools to pursue my dream of working in healthcare. I plan on using a healthcare degree to travel and work abroad for a few years after graduating. A record of clinical hours are a requirement for many nursing and PA schools so I have decided to begin working on that requirement this summer. I have been accepted for an medical internship in Palampur, India where I will shadow a doctor and help out in the maternity ward of a hospital there 7 hours each day. I leave on June 3rd and will be working there until July 24th for a total of 7 weeks. Next fall I will go to CU as a full time student to continue with classes.

SHELBY KUNTZ
Being successful and educated for my career is very important to me. My goal for my career is to start out strong. Before I start school in the fall of 2016, I am planning to have a job in the nursing field. By taking a certified nurse program this coming summer, I will be able to receive my CNA and start working in a nursing home establishment. By working as a CNA I will be able to have the experience needed to become a registered nurse. My goal is to finish college in a timely manner and get right into my career.

SAMANTHA TRELAL
It seems that since the age of 15 years old, I’ve known I had a passion for the agriculture industry, however it’s been a challenge to pinpoint exactly where I fit in. My educational pursuit thus far has fine-tuned my career goals to this point and I may add that without the financial backing of CWWCA it would not be a possibility for me. As my junior year of college begins to close, I am happy to say I have more of an understanding of what I would like to ultimately do with my education. I have realized my love for the livestock portion of the agriculture industry and am primarily interested in technologies related to the efficiency of reproduction and nutrition in cattle. I plan to apply for graduate school and research the factors surrounding what it takes for beef producers to raise a safe and nutritious product in the most economically and environmentally efficient way. My aspiration is to work my way to being a university professor teaching others about the research I have done in order to brighten the view of nutritional science in beef cattle. To me, the agriculture industry is especially important, yet underappreciated. Everyone in our country which participates in civilized culture is impacted by agriculture every day. Without farmers, we have no cotton for our T-shirts, we have no wheat for our bread, we have no bacon for breakfast. While I think the nation needs to do a

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better job of appreciating such things, the agriculture industry also needs to do a better job at educating the public on where the products they supply come from. There is controversy surrounding where food and clothing products and the nature in which they are produced and moving forward in the industry, I can’t think of a more rewarding career than to help alleviate that stress for the consumer and producer alike.

CHEREEN ZAHNER
Goals for myself in the future will continue to be working hard, be academically strong in school, research ways to improve our environment, help people maintain good health, and volunteer in the community. I want to help other people maintain good health by providing a better environment to live in. For this reason I decided I could truly excel in engineering. This is why I would like to study Environmental Engineering at CSU. My desire is to continue the path for clean water, water sustainability, and less pollution throughout the world. I would like to create more resourceful things that are not going to hurt the environment. I have the passion, creativity and imagination to make it happen.

KYLIE MERTENS
I am currently a sophomore at the University of Wyoming where I am majoring in Ag Business and minoring in Finance. When I applied and received this scholarship last year I stated that I wanted to graduate with an Ag Business degree. This is still one of my main education goals that I am continuing to work towards. However, since I added a finance minor to my degree plan, my most recent goal is to graduate with an Ag Business degree and a Finance minor. Receiving my degree is not my only goal. I want to continue to receive the best education that I possibly can while remaining involved in my extracurricular activities. I decided to pursue Ag Business because I grew up on my family farm and always loved agriculture. With an Ag Business degree and a Finance minor, I have many different career opportunities available to me. Right now I am not sure what option I want to pursue with my degree. However, I do know that I want to remain involved in agriculture and an Ag Business degree will allow me to do that.

TUCKER BERRY
As the calendar turns to May 12, 2016 I have officially taken the status of a rising junior, The University of New Mexico. This past spring semester had many highlights that are worth noting. My personal success stems from all those who support me, certainly the CWWCA Buck Lively Scholarship. Just as last semester I took 18 credit hours including: two Arabic classes, Weapons of Mass Destruction (WMD) and Non-Proliferation Science and Policy, and the U.S. War on Terror to name a few courses. These courses challenged me to think broad minded and critically. Furthermore, I studied topics, such as WMD, that I previously studied very little. Language learning continues to be a critical (Continued on page 21)
component of my undergraduate academic pursuits. I am currently in Amman, Jordan taking language courses and conducting Ethnographic cultural research. This opportunity will provide me so much in terms of enhancing my language skills, learning about the Jordanian culture, and conducting foreign in field research. I am truly privileged to expand my knowledge with this opportunity.

Thank you to the CWWCA Buck Lively Scholarship for your continued support, your impact is incredible.

JASON GEORGE

I plan to attend Fort Hays State University and major in pre-engineering. This will allow me to take the required classes at a more cost effective price than most four year universities in Colorado. After three years of attending Fort Hays, I will transfer to Kansas State University, a university that has a school of engineering. Kansas State University has a biomedical engineering degree that I desire as well. After attending and completing the necessary courses at Kansas State, the credits from Kansas State will transfer back to Fort Hays. This will give me the credits I need for a bachelor’s degree in physics from Fort Hays. After five years of college, I will have a dual degree in physics from Fort Hays State University and a degree in biomedical engineering from Kansas State University.

With these degrees, I plan to pursue a career in the field of prosthetics. I want to use my degrees to research and hopefully develop a long lasting artificial nerve interface for amputees. In addition to artificial nerve interface, I also want to develop an artificial ankle joint. As of today, no prosthetic ankle joint exists that replaces an original joint. I hope to one day add major long lasting contributions to the field of prosthetics.

CODY JOHNSON

I have chosen many goals for my post high school life. I plan to attend Tulsa Welding School, mid-June of 2016. Upon graduating from TWS with a Professional Welders Certification, I wish to begin my career as a Welder in the Drilling Industry.

I am inspired to have my own Welding Rig, marketing to Drilling / Pump Companies, as a professional “Hot Shot Mobile Welding Services”. This inspiration became real as I observed the challenges my step-father and Drillers face in hiring employees with lack of welding interest or skills. I have been grateful that I have had the opportunity to learn about drilling wells (irrigation and domestic) and setting submersible and turbine pumps. Prior to my experience in this industry I had no idea how important the industry is or what valuable techniques could be learned. Which has lead me to the interest of becoming a Professional Welder and the application of the skills.

I have been accepted to Tulsa Welding School, in Tulsa Oklahoma. I made the decision to attend this program for the hands-on experience and application of professional welding. I am motivated and excited to begin my career as a professional welder in the drilling and pump industries.

BLAKE WESSBECKER

As a student at Colorado State University, I believe in holding myself to a higher standard. My number one goal is to continue to strive to achieve excellence in work ethic, leadership, and character. I believe something that ties into all three of these traits is never giving up. After my football season my senior year of high school, I had a limited amount of colleges recruiting me to play for them, none of which were division one programs. However, it had been a lifelong goal of mine to play football for Colorado State, which is a division one program. I was told no more times than I could count, but eventually with enough hard work and determination I made the team. I plan to do the same thing with this scholarship, considering I applied last year and was not fortunate enough to receive the award. As far as educational goals, I need to excel in my grades and extra curricular activities to maximize my opportunities to land a great job that I am happy with and inspires immediately following my graduation. To accomplish this goal, I must be dedicated and driven in all of my classes, continue to build my network and earn internships that help develop my skills needed to work in the real world. This year I was fortunate enough to land an internship where I will be a branch manager for a company called CalRob collegiate painting. My responsibilities include building a team, sales, marketing and customer relations. I believe in setting very high goals for myself because hard work is something I pride myself in, and I will never settle for mediocrity.

DONN RYAN NOLIN

I plan to attend Northeastern Junior College in Sterling, Colorado while also continuing my passion and love for baseball. I will be studying agricultural and general business, and would eventually like to return to a rural community, hopefully Yuma, and start my own business. After NJC, I see myself attending a trade school in an area such as plumbing so that I can learn an occupation that would allow me to return to a small community and fill a need. I would also like to have my own small cow-calf operation.

I am a good scholarship candidate because through all of these school activities and jobs, I have learned that while all things do not come easily for me, hard work, dedication, loyalty, learning from mistakes and perseverance are the best way to achieve goals. With this, I can be a more diverse and experienced young man to help me through my future. Thank you for your consideration.

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Driller and/or Pump Installer
Apprenticeship Program

This apprentice program supported by the Colorado Water Well Contractors Association (CWWCA) is a voluntary program for CWWCA members, developed to assist individuals that would like to obtain a water well driller license and/or a pump installation license in the state of Colorado. Records will be kept by the CWWCA and available to the applicant to provide proof of experience to the Board of Examiners (BOE) during the license application process.

(a) A person who wishes to undertake the CWWCA approved apprentice program under the supervision of a licensed well driller and/or a licensed pump installer who has been licensed for a minimum of two years, must submit a registration form to the CWWCA and provide proof that the licensed well driller and/or pump installer has agreed to accept the responsibility of supervising the training. A driller or pump installer may not supervise more than three apprentices at any one time. Persons with both a well driller and pump installers license may register a maximum of six apprentices (three of each type) at any one time.

(b) A registered driller or pump installer apprentice shall represent his supervising driller or pump installer during operations at the well site.

(c) The CWWCA Board of Directors shall review driller and/or pump installer registration forms.

(d) A registered driller/pump installer apprentice may not perform, or offer to perform; any services associated with drilling or pump installing except under the supervision of a licensed driller/ pump installer and according to the supervising driller/pump installer’s express directions.

A driller/pump installer apprentice’s registration may be revoked for engaging in prohibited activities.

(e) Registration forms shall include:

1. The name, business address, and permanent mailing address of the apprentice in training
2. The name, business address, and license number of the licensed driller and/or pump installer who will supervise the training
3. A detailed description of the training program, including the types of wells to be drilled and/or the classifications of pumps to be installed, equipment used, safety training and procedures, and experience, knowledge, and qualification benchmarks while under apprenticeship.
4. The effective commencement and termination date of the training program
5. A statement by the licensed driller and/or pump installer accepting financial responsibility (under the licensed contractors bond) for the activities of the apprentice associated with the training program or undertaken on behalf of the licensed driller or pump installer, and
6. The signatures of the apprentice and the licensed driller and/or pump installer and the sworn statement of both that the information provided is true and correct.

(f) If the application conforms to the rules and the apprenticeship program meets the CWWCA requirements, the CWWCA will notify the apprentice and the supervising driller and/or pump installer that the applicant has been accepted as a registered driller and/or pump installer apprentice and that the registration form shall remain in the CWWCA’s files for the stated duration of the apprenticeship program.

(g) If the application and apprentice program do not conform to the rules or is not approved, the CWWCA shall notify the apprentice and the apprentice’s supervising driller and/or pump installer of the disapproval.

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TYLER PITCHER
I am currently completing my senior year at the Colorado School of Mines. I will be graduating with my Bachelors degree in three years. I have done very well in my studies for the fall semester and I am planning to continue to do well until graduation in May. Upon graduating with my Bachelor of Science in geological engineering with a specialization in groundwater, I will take the summer off of school before returning to Mines next fall for work on a Master of Engineering degree also in geological engineering with an emphasis in hydrogeology. Thank you for helping me achieve my goals with this scholarship.

ASHLEY KOWALSKI
The nursing field has always been a calling for me ever since I started thinking about what I wanted to major in at college. At first I wanted to go to a beautician school to get my license in Cosmetology; that all changed the day I was helping my grandmother, who was very ill, get ready for the day.

Now, I am scheduled to start the nursing program at MCC in the fall. I know that I can accomplish my goal. I am a hardworking person with a “can do” personality. Your help would be greatly appreciated. I am eager to being my career in helping others, so please help me help others.

SARAH TEMPLE
I believe college to be a time to learn, explore interests, and to open one’s mind to a wide variety of things. My current studies at Saint Louis University in Madrid are providing me with the opportunity to achieve these things. The science classes that I am currently taking are providing me with a stable foundation that I will continue to build upon in order to enter medical school in three years. I hope to grow the passion that I have for chemistry and biology, and I know that SLU is and will continue to provide me with this opportunity. Last semester I was able to write a research paper on anything I wished, giving me the opportunity to explore my interest in prevention of neurodegenerative disease. This paper was chosen to ultimately become published this semester, making it clear to me that SLU is providing me with the opportunity to succeed. I would love to continue to research my interests in the field of science over my next three years of college, and even further while studying in medical school. I plan on traveling even more in the year to come, providing me with a global education and the opportunity to experience new cultures. Attending college at Saint Louis University in Madrid is allowing the opportunity to continue my global education and Spanish studies. I also wish to do things such as intern and volunteer over the next three years to further my knowledge and gain experience in a wide variety of areas before I enter medical school. I will be sure that the education provided to me will continue to give me the tools and knowledge necessary to achieve my goal of becoming a doctor, as well as a well-rounded person. I appreciate very much the opportunity to submit this essay for consideration of the CWWCA Scholarship Award for 2016.

SHANNON TEMPLE
As many young people do, I have a wide variety of aspirations for my future and I plan to utilize every aspect of my college education to further myself in the process. My preferential field of study is a strict tie between the study of Law and Nursing. Understanding that both require very rigorous course, I plan to attend either the University of Colorado at Boulder or Montana State University, both of which are very established academically. These schools would allow me to prepare for my future and help find a career that best fits me. Both these field of study would enable me to work hand in hand with people every day, which I find to be the most important and my favorite aspect of working.
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On-site Hand Tool Safety

Imagine that when you are striking a nail with a hammer, part of the hammer’s handle breaks off and hits you in the eye. You lose several weeks of pay and permanently damage your eye. Serious accidents like this one are a substantial risk when hand tools are misused or used carelessly on-site.

Keep Safety in Mind
Hand and power tools are such a common part of the job that we often take them for granted. However, their use can be extremely hazardous if the right safety procedures are not followed. To keep yourself safe, follow these basic rules:

- Keep all tools in good condition with regular maintenance.
  - If a wooden handle on a tool is loose, splintered or cracked, the head can fly off.
  - If the jaws of a wrench are sprung, the wrench can slip.
  - If impact tools such as chisels, wedges or drift pins have mushroomed heads, they can shatter on impact.
- Use the right tool for the job.
  - If a chisel is used as a screwdriver, there is a danger of the tip flying off.
  - Each job calls for a specific tool. Never deviate.
- Examine each tool for damage before using it and never use damaged tools.

Alert your supervisor that these tools are in need of repair.

- Wrenches must not be used when the jaws are sprung; they can slip and lead to injury.
- Tools used for cutting edges must be sharp. Dull tools can be more hazardous as you must press harder when using them.
- Operate tools according to the manufacturer’s instructions.
  - Iron or steel tools produce sparks that can ignite flammable substances. Check for spark-resistant tools made of alternative materials when you are around flammable gases, volatile liquids or other explosive materials.
  - When using sharp tools, direct the tools away from aisle areas and away from other employees working close to you.
- Use the right personal protective equipment.
  - Loose clothing, ties or jewelry should never be worn when using hand or power tools.
- Store and transport the tool properly as soon as you are done with it.
  - Put the tool away as soon as you are done with it. Leaving the tool in

In construction, hand and power tools are such a common part of the job that we often take them for granted. Never sacrifice safety when using them!
a pathway presents a tripping and impalement hazard.

- Transport tools in a toolbox or cart, or carry them in a tool belt. Never carry pointed tools in your pocket.

- Never throw tools to another employee. Always pass them with the handle toward the receiver.

- Use a bucket or bag for lifting or lowering tools from one level to another.

- When carrying a tool on your shoulders, pay attention to clearances and other workers.

**Speak Up**

If you have any doubt about the safe use of a hand or power tool—or about any safety issue on the job—talk to your supervisor. Your safety is our first priority at Wyoming Water Well Association!
June 1, 2016

The Board of Examiners held a Rulemaking Hearing on March 17th/18th and May 16th 2016. The Board heard testimony from stakeholders and staff and voted to adopt new and amended Water Well Construction Rules (2016 Rules). The 2016 Rules have been reviewed by the Attorney General’s Office and, having found no statutory or constitutional deficiencies, have again been filed with the Secretary of State.

The 2016 Rules will be published in the Colorado Register on June 10, 2016. The Colorado Register can be accessed by following this link; https://www.sos.state.co.us/CCR/RegisterHome.do.

They will also be distributed via the Stakeholder Listserv and be published on the BOE Rulemaking Webpage; http://water.state.co.us/groundwater/BOE/Pages/BOERules.aspx.

The 2016 Rules will become effective on September 1, 2016. Copies of the new Rules can be downloaded from the Rulemaking webpage and bound copies will be available for purchase from the Division of Water Resources Records Department.

Board Staff Members Doug Stephenson and Kevin Donegan will be participating in a Rules Panel at the CWWCA Mid-Year Meeting on July 15th in Breckenridge. There will be a brief update of the major changes from the previous Rules and an opportunity to hear from other contractors and ask questions regarding enforcement and implementation of the 2016 Rules.

Please contact Doug Stephenson or Kevin Donegan with any questions or comments.

Thank you
Board of Examiners Staff
Beneficial Uses of Water - the St. Jude’s Co. v. Roaring Fork Club decision
Rep. Coram’s tap fee issue (I think this bill may already be prefiled for 2017)

The water financing issue may be expanded considerably depending upon whether the IBCC opts to make a presentation on its work on options - which include the container fee.

CWWCA is working along with the Division of Water Resources on a bill to restructure the water well inspection program. Rep. Vigil has agreed to have a presentation made to the committee on August 16.

**Water Well Inspection Program:** During the session, we continued to work on our bill to restructure the water well inspection program. Our strategy was to restructure the program from what is known as a cash funded program to a TABOR Enterprise program. The difference is that a cash funded program falls under the calculation of whether the state has surplus revenues that exceed the TABOR budget cap. If that occurs, a refund to taxpayers is triggered. A TABOR enterprise however does not have its revenues included in the calculation of the TABOR surplus. That difference provides a great deal of flexibility for the program.

For the past two years, we have been caught in the TABOR surplus problem. As a cash funded program, we were up against the budget cap and there was no room to add more inspectors. The need was there and legislators were sympathetic but the surplus was the control. We opted to propose converting the program to a TABOR enterprise in order to secure more budget flexibility.

We had hoped that we could move a bill in the closing days of the session and have it track along with the budget. An opportunity did present itself but it would not have given us the TABOR enterprise status that we want. We declined the opportunity and opted to come back next year. As it turned out, we made the right decision. The bill that we would have been included in died on the last day of the session.

We will be briefing the Water Resources Review Committee on our proposal on August 16. In the next couple of weeks, we will be refining our draft bill so that the board can discuss it in detail at the July conference. After incorporating any changes made by the board, we will finalize the draft and be prepared to brief the committee on August 16.

If you have any questions about any of the bills we are monitoring – or ones that you would like to bring to our attention – please do not hesitate to contact us.
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