

Cartwright named McElhiney lecturer

WC&P Technical Reviewer Peter S. Cartwright, PE, named the 2016 McElhiney Distinguished Lecturer, will present *Water Well Contaminants and Treatment Options*, the National Ground Water Research and Educational Foundation announced. Cartwright, who owns and operates Cartwright Consulting Co. (with offices in Minneapolis and the Netherlands), has been in the treatment side of the water industry since 1974. The context for his lecture is that no two water supplies are identical, so ensuring a potable water supply that is safe, good tasting and acceptable for washing, bathing or showering requires a treatment approach that takes into account the unique variables that affect water quality. Cartwright's presentation will identify classes of treatment technologies and detail specific technology choices as a function of contaminant reduction efficacy and cost. He also will address the installation requirements, operation and maintenance of treatment systems. The lecture will be tailored to the contaminants that a given audience encounters most frequently or the treatment technologies in which the audience is most interested.



NGWA student awards announced

The National Ground Water Research and Educational Foundation presented \$1,000 (USD) in Farvolden Awards to each of four students for paper or poster presentations made at the 2015 NGWA Groundwater Summit in San Antonio, TX in March. For the third time, Stephanie S. Wong of Baylor University, Waco, TX, won a Farvolden Award, having also been a recipient in 2010 and 2011. This year she received the award for her paper, *Insights into Karst Groundwater/Stream Interactions Using Dissolved Natural Radon Concentrations, Central Texas*. Given in honor of the late Dr. Robert N. Farvolden, former Senior Science Counsel for NGWA, the awards are made based on the quality of the presentation; content, including contributions to groundwater science, engineering, management, or policy and demonstrated insight on the chosen topic. Additional 2015 awardees were: Omkar Aphale of Stony Brook University, Stony

Brook, NY; Farhad Jazaei of Auburn University, Auburn, AL and Charlene N. King of Colorado State University, Ft. Collins, CO.

US Water Prize winners honored

In April, some 300 water leaders from across the nation honored the 2015 US Water Prize winners: City of San Diego Public Utilities Department, CA; Electric Power Research Institute, Palo Alto, CA and The Coca-Cola Company, Atlanta, GA. The US Water Prize was initiated five years ago by the US Water Alliance to elevate those organizations with strategies that promote the value of water and the power of innovating and integrating for one water sustainability.

Mazzei's Overbeck to retire, Lauria to succeed him

Mazzei Injector Company, LLC announced the addition of Jim Lauria as Vice President of Sales and Marketing, replacing Paul Overbeck, who is retiring. To assure a smooth transition, Overbeck will remain with the company until June, then transition to a consulting role. Lauria has been a leader in water and wastewater for over 15 years and has had articles published in prominent water industry publications worldwide. He has an extraordinary command of the technical, sales and marketing, and financial aspects of the business. Lauria holds a Bachelor of Chemical Engineering Degree from Manhattan College.



AMTA Director Emeritus invitations announced

The American Membrane Technology Association (AMTA) announced that John Potts, Senior Vice President at Kimley-Horn & Associates, Inc. and Dr. Steve Duranceau, Associate Professor of Environmental Engineering at the University of Central Florida have accepted invitations to become Director Emeritus members of the AMTA Board of Directors. Both have served on the board for a number of years. Potts was the second Vice-President from 1997-2000, while Duranceau held a number of positions for AMTA and was President from 2008-2010. They have both been recognized as membrane technology stalwarts; Potts was chosen as Outstanding

AMTA member in 1996 and elected to the AMTA Hall of Fame in 2007; Duranceau received the AMTA Water Quality Person of the Year in 2011. The AMTA Director Emeritus Committee has five members and consists of Ian Watson, Stuart McClellan and Irv Moch, in addition to the two new appointees.

WateReuse Board members named

WateReuse recently appointed Halla Razak, Public Utilities Director for the City of San Diego and Gilbert Trejo, PE, Chief Technical Officer for El Paso Water Utilities to serve on the Board of Directors, effective in May. They will serve on the boards for both the WateReuse Association and the WateReuse Research Foundation. Under Razak's leadership, the San Diego Public Utilities Department is currently developing a unique water reuse program that will help increase water supply reliability for the future of San Diego, while also ensuring environmental protection for the ocean environment. Trejo advocates for cross-departmental collaboration and coordinates closely with his utility's communications and marketing team. He is a published engineer on several works discussing projects such as potable reuse and water infrastructure.

Nichols named ACE keynote speaker

Dr. Wallace 'J' Nichols will address water professionals on June 8 during the opening general session of the AWWA's Annual Conference & Exposition in Anaheim, CA. Dr. Nichols is a leading biologist and *The New York Times* bestselling author of *Blue Mind: The Surprising Science That Shows How Being Near, In, On, or Under Water Can Make You Happier, Healthier, More Connected, and Better at What You Do*. He will delve into the emotional, behavioral, psychological and physical connections that draw humans to water. In his book, he examines that crucial relationship that humans have with water. He will also discuss recent findings in neuroscience that indicate proximity to water can improve mood, performance, health and success.

New staff added at MTN Products

MTN Products® announced the addition of three new staff members: Eva Guererro, Assistant Warehouse/Inventory Control Manager; Perry Rowley,

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Northeast District Sales Manager and Stacey Clemensen, Corporate Marketing Manager. Guerrero comes to MTN Products with over eight years of experience in R&D, Operations and Manufacturing. She will be responsible for supervising warehouse personnel, product forecasts, order fulfillment, freight schedules, inventory

analysis and maintenance and product return processes. Rowley has been part of the bottled water and POU industry for 21 years, most recently as Region Sales Manager at Oasis. He will be responsible for sales and technical training with MTN for the northeastern US. Clemensen has over 20 years of marketing experience,

ranging from office products manufacturing (Avery Dennison), to high-tech electro optics for space and defense (Corning OCA). Stacey will be responsible for all marketing, advertising (print and digital), web and social media.