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The Virginia Water Well Association was established in June, 1949. The purposes, as set forth in the Association's original Constitution, are as relevant today as they were in 1949:

- To put the water well drilling business in the Commonwealth of Virginia on a thoroughly scientific and businesslike basis;*
 - To maintain an organization to assist, promote, encourage and support the interests and welfare of the water well drilling industry within the Commonwealth of Virginia;*
 - To foster aid and promote scientific education, standards, research and techniques in order to improve the methods of drilling;*
 - To promote and encourage harmony and cooperation between the members and governmental agencies relative to the proper development and protection of the underground water supplies of the Commonwealth of Virginia;*
- and,*
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FROM THE PRESIDENT'S DESK



Dear VWWA Members,

We have just concluded another very successful Fall Field Day, a day that was filled with education, fun and fellowship for all who attended. It was very refreshing walking around talking to many of you and hearing stories of success that you have enjoyed throughout the year. A year that has not set the best economic stage for any of us but a year where the water well industry in Virginia has stepped up and shown it's resilience and determination.

The year has also brought about much change for the VWWA. As we come close to years end, we say goodbye to our long standing executive director Jane Cain, who will be enjoying her retirement! Jane has been a tremendous leader for the VWWA and became a close friend to us all. With her leadership, the VWWA sits at the top of the stage in the water well industry. We will miss her dearly and wish her all the best as she enjoys this next stage in her life. We also say goodbye to our long standing lobbyist, Teresa Gregson. Teresa has also retired this year from the lobbying industry. The VWWA has enjoyed an extraordinary amount of legislative success under her watch. Teresa has also become a close friend to us all and we will miss her greatly and wish her the best in her future endeavors. With the close of each day, we have promise for a new and brighter day that lie ahead. With that day upon us, we look forward to the leadership and guidance of our new executive management firm, Beyond Bounds, led by Christina Royall. Christina's dedication, energy and compassion for this industry are unparalleled. The future of the VWWA under her leadership will be exciting to be a part of and I look forward to all the VWWA's success that lies ahead. We are also excited to have Jeff Gregson come aboard to lead the lobbying and legislative efforts of the association. Jeff has enjoyed a great career of bringing legislator and client together for the good of Virginia. He is very well respected in his industry and we look forward to working with him.

With much change, we must all remember there is still much work that lies ahead. We must all work together for the good of the industry. With a singular voice, our efforts may not have much impact but when we all come together in a resounding collective voice, our efforts are noticed by all and our success is endless! It is in that spirit, that I encourage each and every member to get more involved with the association than you ever have before. Please feel free to contact myself, any of the Directors or Christina if there is anything we can do for you or if you would like to share any ideas and/or suggestions for the association as we move forward in the upcoming year. We also welcome anyone who would like to serve in a leadership position for the association.

This is your association, so speak up and let your voice be heard! Thanks to all of you for being a part of the VWWA and a part of the water supply team in Virginia.

*Sincerely,
Eric Rorrer*

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MANAGEMENT REPORT

CHRISTINA ROYALL

Cain Associates has left behind big shoes to fill as they were able to grow the association and maintain successful events each year since they began. By their example and the passion to coordinate and execute new ideas; I am encouraged and excited to lace those shoes up and see where we go. In viewing the future of the Virginia Water Well Association, positive thoughts and opportunities lie ahead. Currently, the association has approximately 135 member companies and 450 individual memberships. There is opportunity for growth as we maintain the association's viability to the industry and improve where our members speak!

Please use your voice and let us hear from you! Scan the code to easily input the contact information or copy the information off of the back page.



Dear Members of the Virginia Water Well Association,

I have now had a month of retirement and so far am enjoying it enormously. However, I do miss the calls from members and their families that were so much a part of my life these last 20+ years! No matter what the question or issue, everyone who called was friendly, polite and very quick to thank me and my staff for any help we could give. I have said it before and will say it one more time – managing the VA Water Well Association was a privilege and a pleasure. I am so fortunate to have had you as my clients, my colleagues and my friends!

I know that you are in “good hands” with Christina and wish each and every one of you success, good health and a bright future.

Sincerely,

Jane Cain

LEGISLATIVE REPORT

JEFF GREGSON

The 2013 session of the Virginia General Assembly begins on Wednesday, January 9th and is scheduled to adjourn on Saturday, February 23d. As your new lobbyist, I look forward to continuing to represent the interests of the VWWA in the same manner as your recently retired lobbyist (and my wife) Teresa Gregson. Pre-filed legislation for the 2013 session has already begun to trickle in and to date, I have seen nothing that would have an impact on our industry. I fully expect the pace of things to pick up considerably after the November elections and as opening day nears. I would ask each of you to notify me if you hear anything back home about any possible legislative initiatives from either industry or local government sources. I can be reached by phone at 804.288.7223 or by email at jeffgregson@gmail.com. Thanks and again, I look forward to working with the VWWA to further the goals of the industry.



Fall Field Day - In Review

Benefiting: The ACE Program

Changing Minds ... Changing Lives!

The ACE Program's mission is to offer participants the educational, vocational, social and life skills they need to successfully transition back into the community by giving them tools they need to secure gainful employment and become economically self-sufficient.



VVWA President Eric Rorrer: First row left with ACE founder Billie Brown, on his left. Back row are a few program participants and volunteers.

The ACE Program was developed to help increase employment opportunities for ex offenders and disadvantaged young adults in the Richmond area and to help reduce the "risks" that prohibit many employers from employing ex offenders.

Billie Brown, Founder of The ACE Program, witnessed the numerous obstacles that ex offenders face as they attempted to re-enter the community and the job market. Through her experience, Ms. Brown identified the

need for non-traditional sources of workers, due to an increasingly limited pool of available job applicants.

Ms. Brown developed The ACE Program as a transitional tool that will provide ex offenders and disadvantaged, at-risk young adults with the skills they need to develop micro-enterprises that will provide sustainable employment for the participants.

- as stated from the ACE website

To contact ACE, please visit their website at www.AnotherChancetoExcel.com or phone their office at (804) 771-9680.

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Coffee and donuts, provided graciously by Preferred Pump, fueled the early risers as the site was lit by the rising sun and the demonstration came alive as the custom built '08 Speedstar by Mid America Drilling Equipment, was fired up. With the audible announcement consisting of the high decibel rumble of the engine and metal clanging from the rods against the table, participants found their seats ready for the day to begin.

The mud-rotary well was constructed in Richmond to enable a non-profit organization, Another Chance to Excel (ACE), the ability to move their program forward with the well's 60+ GPM yield encountered. The well was constructed first, with a six inch pilot hole. During which cutting samples were collected and displayed adjacent to the drilling site for review. The samples provided a surprise in the fault configuration over 180 feet below the corn stalk roots. What is referred to as a High Angle Reverse Fault; the alternating Nanjemoy and Marlboro stratas were not encountered once, but twice consecutively, as the drilling continued. These faults are a very rare sight to what is not commonly seen. Scott Bruce with the Virginia Department of Environmental Quality, stated that he had not seen a high angle reverse fault through drilling in his 28 year career.

After a depth of 300 feet was encountered, tools were pulled and the six inch hole was then reamed to eight inches. Two different types of geophysical logging were performed; Multi-Tool Electric Log was first on

the list by John O'Dell of Water Well Solutions, and Induction was performed a few hours later by Pete Duer and his colleagues of Bundick Well and Pump Company. While each logging session was being completed, the data was projected for presentation of what was happening in real time.

Discussion and conversations of the day's activities continued through a Bar-B-Q catered lunch by St. Paul's Church, complete with brownies and apple pie for dessert. To walk off the filling lunch, many found their way to the exhibitor tailgating area where down hole cameras, drilling supplies, filtration information, troubleshooting advice, and repair technology were available. The gorgeous, sunny demonstration day was wrapped up just moments before dark storm clouds carrying large water drops made their way through the site.

The 2012 Fall Field Day was a success with 33 companies represented and 76 attendees along with multiple volunteers! The association also bid farewell to two women, recognizing Jane Cain of Cain Associates and Teresa Gregson of Vantage Point Consulting for their years of service with certificates, flowers, and a monetary token of appreciation.

If you are located in the groundwater management area or close by, please take note the area has expanded and the documents DEQ provided onsite is also available on the VWWA website for download. Click on the 'Resouces' button from the association's homepage.

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Spotsylvania County Administration Building
December 4, 2012 at 2 p.m.

SCHOLARSHIP Application

VWWA
Virginia Water Well Association

DEADLINE
January 25, 2013

APPLICANT ELIGIBILITY

Scholarships are awarded to college students. This includes the spouse of a college student.

APPLICANT IS (CHECK ONE)

NAME OF THE VWWA CHAPTER

MEMBER COMPANY

APPLICANT INFORMATION

FULL NAME

ADDRESS 1

ADDRESS 2

TOWN/CITY

BIRTHDATE

CURRENT EDUCATION

☐ GENERAL EDUCATION CERTIFICATE (GED)

EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTION

Please provide the name of the institution applied to and awarded.

NAME OF INSTITUTION

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1. TRANSCRIPT: Applicants will provide a transcript of college studies during their last semester of consideration, related recommendations, and related accomplishments.

2. LETTER OF RECOMMENDATION: Enclose one letter of recommendation from a professional or academic.

3. ESSAY: Enclose with the following questions:

• Why do you want to be a water well professional?

• What are your career goals?

• How will you contribute to the industry?

I affirm that the information provided is true and accurate.

Signature of Applicant

Signature of VWWA Representative

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Dear VWWA,

"Your work getting well drillers certified has been wonderful. My question is, what about the CDL drivers driving the drill rigs and support trucks. We have medical cards and the doctors office used to send off the drug/urine samples for us, but no longer, we have to do this ourselves. What about the federal drug testing regulations, 49 CFR Part 40 I think it is referred to. Do we fall under that? Or are we exempt? This is an awful large burden on small companies. Do you know any companies or "Consortiums" they speak of that takes care of small business? What is your info & stance on this.

Thanks for looking into this

Tracee

Hensley's Well Drilling"

Tracee,

Unfortunately, even small businesses are not exempt from these tests therefore, they are required and you will need to find another doctor to complete the medical exams for the CDL license. The drug testing can be done by a certified third party if the doctor no longer provides this as an option.

I would suggest asking the doctor office where their tests were sent or ask if they have any recommended companies or persons to fill this void for you. If they do not try the local health department. If you still find that they are not much help, let us know and we will see if we can track someone down in your area or if anyone has a mailing service.

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