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Merritt Points



Dear Members:

Another summer has come and gone. Fortunately for water suppliers (and unfortunately for golfers and beach goers) the southeastern portion of the state saw rainfall amounts exceed normal levels in the summer months of June, July, and August by approximately 1.5". In fact, precipitation totals for the past 12 months have been above normal across the state. According to the Massachusetts Department of Conservation and Recreation (DCR) precipitation totals have ranged from 4% above normal on the Cape to 31% above normal in the Connecticut River Valley. Hopefully, this trend will continue into the fall and winter months when recharge of our reservoirs and aquifers is so critical.

For those of you interested in

getting up to speed on the upcoming Ground Water Rule (GWR), the EPA will be providing webcast training on Wednesday, October 29, 2008 from 2 – 4 p.m. To register, go to <https://www2.gotomeeting.com/register/566415035>. The purpose of the rule is to provide for increased protection against microbial pathogens in public water systems that use ground water sources. EPA is particularly concerned about ground water systems that are susceptible to fecal contamination since disease-causing pathogens may be found in fecal contamination.

I would like to remind all members that the Mattapoissett River Valley Water District (MRVWD) and representatives of Tata and Howard will be conducting a

tour of their new 6 MGD treatment plant on October 22, 2008 at 9:00 a.m. The treatment facility uses ozone oxidation, membrane ultrafiltration, pH adjustment, and disinfection. For more information, visit the PCWWA web site at www.pcwwa.org. Following the tour, members of PCWWA will be holding their October meeting at the Waterfront Grille in New Bedford. This is a great opportunity for all members (those active and those not so active) to tour a new treatment facility and to meet with fellow water works professionals in a relaxed atmosphere. I look forward to seeing you all on the 22nd.

Sincerely,
Neal Merritt, President

Going Green

"On Tap" has gone green. Join the many members who have signed up for our newsletter in electronic format.

If you would like to receive your newsletter electronically, you can sign up on the website www.pcwwa.org.

Click on the Let's Go Green logo and follow the instructions. Just a few minutes of your time and you will be signed up.

Let's go green and go paperless. You will be helping the environment and cutting expenses for PCWWA.





All winners receive a \$25.00 Hess Card courtesy of Ti-Sales Inc., Sudbury, MA

Happy Birthday!

PCWWA would like to wish the following members a Happy Birthday.

September Birthdays

Rebecca L. Carvalho (2) Marion Water Division * Stephen Rogers (5) John Hoadley & Sons Co. Inc. * Robert C. Zora (7) Marion Water Division * Brian P. Giovanoni (11) Amory Engineers * Gilbert Joly (11) * Tim Begley (12) Analytical Balance Corporation * Kevin Carpenter (12) Dighton Water District * Dennis Boucher (15) Fay, Spofford & Thorndike, LLC * William T. Low (15) * Gary Willette (15) Seekonk Water District * Peter Newton (16) SEA * Thomas G. Otto (20) U.S.I. Services * John H. Fresh, Jr. (21) Town of Easton - Water Division * Michael E. Perrault (21) P.M.P. Associates, LLC * Patrick J. Connelly (23) Weston & Sampson Engineers, Inc. * Adam Yanulis (23) CDM *

Robert H. Dawe Jr. (26) Lynn Water Treatment Plant * Steve Bishop (27) Town of Mansfield * Gregg Santos (28) Plymouth Water Department

Congratulations to **Adam Yanulis** for winning the September birthday drawing.

October Birthdays

Richard Mueda (1) Town of Easton - Water Division * John A. Lincoln (2) Abington/Rockland Joint Water Works * Ian Schrauf (3) Mass Rural Water Assoc. * Rob Greene (7) Likaar Maintenance System * Stephen Archibald (9) Hanson Water Dept. * Timothy G. Canucci (9) Plymouth, Town of (Water Department) * James R. Marshall (10) Plainville Water and Sewer Dept. * Dwayne Nobles (10) Marshfield Water Division * Bruce Stevens (11) Statewide Aquastore / NE Tank Inc. * Michael Zylich (12) Tighe &

Bond, Inc. * Paul Brown (14) * Jared Hill (14) American Water Services * Andrew Miller (15) Camp Dresser & McKee * Martin Feroli (16) * Frederick Gladstone (16) Easton Metals Recycling * Bruce B. Babcock (17) Tibbetts Engineering Corp. * Andy Iskra (20) Vellano Bros., Inc. * Martin G. Feroli (22) City of Brockton - Water Department * Michael O'Toole (22) Easton Water Division * Carol Stevens (26) Dighton Water District * Leanne Monaghan (28) Analytical Balance Corporation * George Howland (29) * Rick L. Penney (30) U.S. Pipe & Foundry Co., Inc. * Tom Hydro (31) Layne Christensen Company

Congratulations to **Dwayne Nobles** for winning the October birthday drawing.

Web Winners

All Web Winners receive a \$25 Gift Card to 99 Restaurant courtesy of Weston & Sampson Inc.

Unclaimed for August:

- Bruce Berger
Wright-Pierce Engineers
- Michael Berry
Town of Easton
- James DeLuca
Aqua Solutions, Inc.
- Carol Harris
Woodard & Curran
- Carl Sopper
Water & Waste Pipe Testing

- Barry Woods
Buzzard Bay Water Dist.

Winners for September:

- Timothy Stinson
SEA Consultants

Unclaimed for September:

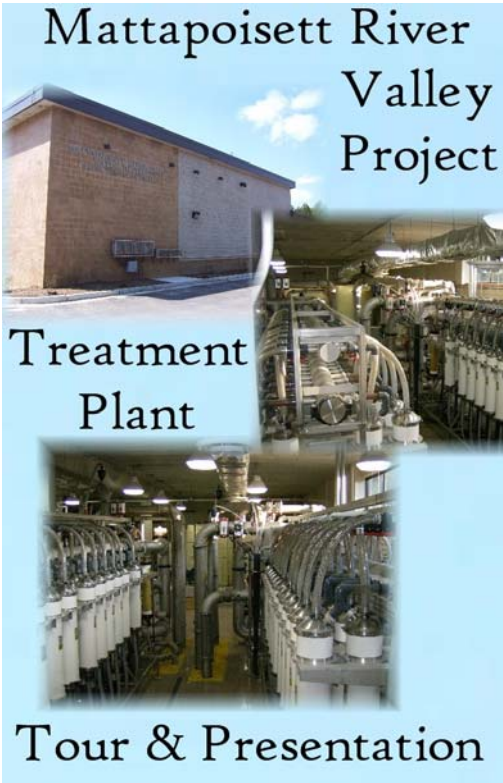
- Steve Bishop
Town of Mansfield
- Jim Brady
American Water
(Cohasset Water Dept.)

- Victor Diniak
Hanover Water Department
- Amanda Hall
Abington/Rockland Joint Water Works
- Dick Kilhart
Mass Rural Waer Assoc.
- Richard Kenney
(retired)

Only one winner for August and September!

Don't forget to check the website for your number—you could be a winner!

Monthly Meeting—October 22, 2008



- 9:00 a.m. Tour (Mattapoissett River Valley Water District Treatment Plant)
- 11:00 a.m. Registration/Coffee (Waterfront Grille)
- 11:30 a.m. Main Presentation
- 12 noon Break
- 12:30 p.m. Lunch
- 1:00 p.m. Business Meeting
- 2:00 p.m. Meeting Adjourn

Check the web site for more information on the Mattapoissett River Valley Project

MENU: Atlantic Salmon—Cilantro Pesto & Citrus Glaze, Brown Rice and Mixed Vegetables
 or
 Herb Roasted Chicken Breast (Marinated & Basted w/fresh herbs), Mashed Potato and Mixed Vegetables
 Also included: Cup of Clam Chowder and Dessert

COST: \$20.00 Honorary Members / Retirees
 \$25.00 Regular / Active Members*
 \$30.00 Walk-ins, Non-Members or Late Registrations**

***Registration on or before Wednesday, October 15, 2008**
****Any registration after Wednesday, October 15, 2008**

TO REGISTER PLEASE CHOOSE FROM THE FOLLOWING METHODS

ON-LINE—www.pcwwa.org
 Call Tighe & Bond, Inc. at 508-563-5643

We need you're help !



Are you currently receiving emails from PCWWA? If not we most likely don't have your current email address. It is important to us to have a valid email address on file. Many of our class notifications come only by email and also our goal is to go "Green" and have as many members receive the monthly newsletter electronically as well. Emails allow us to save printing and mailing costs. Please be assured that we only use these addresses for PCWWA business and NEVER give it to any other organizations. Please visit www.pcwwa.org/email to enter your email address today!