



WCWWA NEWSLETTER

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Our March Dinner Meeting will again be held at the popular Broiler Steakhouse in Redwood Valley. In spite of my backyard rain gauge collecting more than six inches of rain over the last week, and with more rain forecast for the week ahead, the rainfall for this season is still well below seasonal norms. The major reservoirs at Lake Mendocino and Lake Sonoma, as well as smaller reservoirs throughout the region, are at historically low levels for this time in the rain year. Despite the hopes of some water system managers that conditions will improve

storage remains low and conservation, in the face of a third year of drought, will be a reality for most all water systems.

The topic for the training session will be Water Conservation Programs in Mendocino County (CEU's will be provided). We have brought together a panel of representatives from Mendocino water systems to share with you the situation faced by their systems and the plans and actions they are using to meet the water shortage crisis. The panel participants are John Sherman, Interim Conservation Specialist from the City of Willits and Teri Jo Barber, Hydrologist from the Mendocino Coast who will talk about the Opportunities and Constraints in developing and implementing water conservation plans, and Sean White, General Manager of the Russian River Flood Control and Water Conservation Improvement District who will present the situation in the Ukiah Valley faced by water systems sourced from Lake Mendocino and the Russian River and the conservation planning underway by those systems. This session will be an excellent opportunity to listen to and learn from people in the driver's seat, to ask questions of the panel, and to share the issues before your community and your system's plans to meet the water shortage crisis before us.

The training session will be followed by a social hour with complementary hors d'oeuvres provided by Dan Rogina of Rogina Water Company. This will be another opportunity to buttonhole panel participants and meet water system operators attending from Lake, Mendocino and Sonoma counties.

Following the excellent Broiler Steakhouse dinner, Sean White will address the issues before the Russian River Flood Control and Water Conservation Improvement District and its member agencies to provide for water demands in the Ukiah Valley in the next 20 years.

Our next WCWWA newsletter will be primarily distributed by e-mail. Members attending the January dinner responded overwhelmingly in favor of the Board proposal for e-mail distribution. If you prefer to have a newsletter mailed to you, please contact or leave a message for the Board Secretary, Anna McAuliffe at 707 570-2807, or e-mail your request to wcvwa@sbcglobal.net.

Included in the newsletter is a Membership Application/Renewal Form for 2009. Please get your renewal in if you haven't already done so. It's still a bargain at \$20 per year.

Please take a look at www.wcvwa.org. From our website you can link directly to AWWA, CA Rural Water, Rural Community Assistance Corp (RCAC), and the State DPH website. We have downloadable materials and forms specific to Sonoma and Mendocino District offices. Check out and bookmark this great resource.

I look forward to seeing you at the Broiler Steakhouse on March 26th.

Sincerely,

Bill Robertson

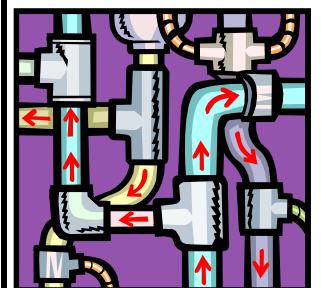
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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- **March 26, 2009:**
Dinner Meeting at the Broiler Steakhouse
- **June 11, 2009:**
Trade Show and Training Symposium at the Villa Chanticleer



March 2009 Training and Dinner Meeting

- When: March 26, 2009
- Time: 4:00 — 6:00 p.m. Class
6:00 — 7:00 p.m. Social Hour
7:00 — 7:45 p.m. Dinner
7:45 — 8:15 p.m. After Dinner Speaker
8:15 — 8:30 p.m. Raffle
- Where: Broiler Steakhouse
8400 Uva Drive, Redwood Valley
(707) 485-7310
- Directions: From the North: 101 north to West Road, take West Road exit, turn Left on West Road to Uva Drive, turn Right on Uva Drive.

From the South: 101 south to West Road, take West Road exit, turn Right on West Road to Uva Drive, turn Right on Uva Drive.
- Class Topic: Water Conservation Programs in Mendocino County (Panel)
- Dinner Topic: Issues Before the Russian River Flood Control and Water Conservation Improvement District
- Dinner Choices: * Steak
* Prawns
* Chicken
All dinners include bread, mixed green salad and dessert
- Cost: \$30.00 per person
- RSVP: PLEASE RSVP by sending in this form or call/e-mail with number of people attending and dinner choice by March 20th to Anna.

Please register early if possible:

Number of people attending: _____ x \$30.00/pp = \$ _____

Agency Name: _____

Name(s) of Attendee(s): _____

Dinner Choice(s): _____

(Attach a separate sheet of paper if more room for names is needed)

Please send checks payable to:

WCWWA, PO Box 3475, Santa Rosa, CA 95402

If you have any questions, contact Anna McAuliffe at (707) 543-4284 or e-mail wcwwa@sbcqlobal.net and a WCWWA Board member will contact you.

**Wine Country Water Works Association
Membership Application 2009**

Check One: ___ Renewal ___ New Member

Member Name: _____

Title/Position: _____

System/Company Name: _____

Mailing Address: _____

City: _____ Zip Code: _____

Phone: _____ Fax: _____

e-mail: _____

___ Yes, for \$20.00 per calendar year, an individual membership for 2009.

___ Yes, for \$95.00 I would like an individual membership plus business card ad for 2009.
(Please include business card)

Water/Wastewater Survey

Business Member Survey

Ownership: __Public __Private __Mutual

Type of Business: _____

Functions: __Water __Wastewater

Product/Service: _____

Connections: _____

Water _____ Wastewater _____

Website Address: _____

Renew your membership TODAY!

Membership Dues per calendar year:

- \$20 for individual membership
- \$95 for individual membership and business card ad

Sorry, no district memberships.

Please send this form and check payable to:
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