



CENTRAL TEXAS SECTION OF THE WATER ENVIRONMENT ASSOCIATION OF TEXAS

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Tuesday, March 18, 2003, 6:00 p.m. Joe C. Thompson Conference Center, Dining Hall

The State Legislature is in session, so it is time for our biennial review of what the Legislators are doing for us or to us, depending on your point of view. The meeting cost of \$10 (\$5 for students) includes a buffet dinner, short business meeting, and a presentation entitled "Water and Wastewater Legislation in the 78th Session". The presentation will be made by Mr. Ty H. Embrey.

If you plan to attend this meeting, contact Rose at 452-5905 by **Wednesday, March 12, 2003 for reservations, or e-mail her at rmurphy@apaienv.com**

Ty H. Embrey is an attorney with Lloyd, Gosselink, Blevins, Rochelle, Baldwin, & Townsend, P.C. He joined the Firm's Water Practice Group and practices in the areas of environmental and water law. Ty received his Doctor of Jurisprudence from Baylor Law School and his Bachelor of Arts in history from the University of Texas at Austin. Ty served as General Counsel to the Texas Senate Natural Resources Committee. He served as lead staff for the Oil-Field Cleanup Fund Advisory Committee and General Counsel for the Texas Senate Water Advisory Council and the Joint Senate and House Committee on Water Resources. He also served as General Counsel to Senator J.E. "Buster" Brown and Legislative Aide to State Representative Beverly Woolley. Ty is a member of the State Bar of Texas and the Travis County Bar Association.

UPCOMING MEETINGS:

**Tuesday, May 20, 2003, 6:00 pm, Dining Room, UT Thompson Center, Election of Officers
"Odor Control Technologies" - Jim Joyce, Odor and Corrosion Control, Inc.**

OTHER EVENTS:

Texas Water '03, April 2-4, 2003 in Corpus Christi, Texas - Annual Joint Conference with TxAWWA

cMom Go!, June 1-4, 2003 in Austin, Texas - Joint Conference sponsored by WEF and WEAT on Current Trends in Collection System Management.

Meeting Sponsors

PBS&J provides a full range of water quality and wastewater services to the Central Texas area. These services include: stormwater management, hydrologic and water quality modeling, wastewater collection and treatment, permitting support, and special studies such as pretreatment requirements and TMDLs. Contact us at 327-6840.

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The Central Texas Section normally meets at the Joe C. Thompson Conference Center at the University of Texas at Austin Campus. The meetings are usually the third Tuesday of odd numbered months.

This newsletter is sent to more than 350 water professionals in the Austin area. If you are interested in sponsoring a meeting/newsletter or if you have information for publication, contact Steve Coonan at scoonan@apaienv.com or 452-5905.

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Young Professionals

Recently, the YP committee developed some goals for the committee as a whole, and each one pertained to a mission or goal developed by the state co-chairs.

The following the goals have been set:

- use University of Texas ties to increase student participation and develop a student chapter
- perform PE application process seminars
- coordinate a winery tour, to include the water/wastewater processes
- perform community service acts, i.e. Habitat for Humanity and National Engineers' Week
- Happy Hours for social interaction

The first goal we are going forward with is the community service goal. The YP group is interested in creating a WEAT **Habitat for Humanity** work group. Work days are on Saturdays and a person can work the whole day or choose one half of the day to help. If you are interested in joining us for a Habitat for Humanity work day, please contact Julie Hastings at jdhastings@lan-inc.com



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