



# CENTRAL TEXAS SECTION OF THE WATER ENVIRONMENT ASSOCIATION OF TEXAS

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## INNOVATIVE TREATMENT TECHNOLOGY: IFAS

**WEAT Presents – David Jackson, P.E.**

**May 17, 2005 at 6:00 p.m.**

**Joe C. Thompson Center – University of Texas at Austin**

This month, David Jackson will be our guest speaker, and will be discussing Integrated Fixed Film Activated Sludge Systems. The meeting is open to anyone interested in this subject. The evening will include a social gathering followed by a buffet dinner. Afterwards, Mr. Jackson will give his presentation and there will be a short business meeting. **If you plan to attend the meeting, please contact Laura Di Pasquale at (512) 322-5862 or at [central@weat.org](mailto:central@weat.org) by Wednesday, May 11, 2005.**

### About David Jackson. . .

David Jackson is a project manager and Associate at Freese and Nichols, Inc. He holds a Bachelor of Science in Civil Engineering and a Master of Engineering in Environmental Engineering from Texas A&M University, and he has been with Freese and Nichols since 1993. Mr. Jackson has been an active member of WEAT since 1993 and is currently serving as Past President of the North Texas Section and WEAT Bylaws Chair and Parliamentarian. Mr. Jackson has been involved in project management and design of multiple water and wastewater treatment facilities throughout the State of Texas. He specializes in water and wastewater treatment plant design, construction contract administration, and water and wastewater planning.

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### Mark Your Calendars!

The Austin-area WEAT and TAWWA chapters have begun planning our annual Summer Cruise. **This year, the cruise will be held on Friday, July 29<sup>th</sup>, aboard the Flagship Texas on Lake Travis.** Please plan on joining us for food, sun, music, and fun. If you have any questions or would like to sponsor this event, please contact Heather Harris at [hharris@ch2m.com](mailto:hharris@ch2m.com).

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### Central Texas Section Well Represented Within WEAT

Richard Eason began his tenure as WEAT's President during Texas Water 2005. Additionally, Raj Bhattarai was elected to serve as Vice President. Congratulations to both Richard and Raj! Combined with the fact that Brad Castleberry serves as Treasurer, and Heather Harris serves as co-Chair of the YP Committee, the Central Texas Section is well represented within your Member Association of WEF.

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### 2005-2006 Central Texas Section Officer Nominations

**Section members will take floor nominations and/or vote on the following slate of officers at the May meeting:**

- Karol Menhard for President-Elect
- Brad Castleberry for Vice President
- Pervez Jameel for Secretary
- Lynne Moss for Section Representative

Officers continuing to serve are:

- o Steve Coonan will become President
- o David Briggs will become Past-President
- o Heather Harris will continue as Treasurer

## Meeting Sponsors:

### Freese & Nichols, Inc.

Freese and Nichols has built its practice on client service and a commitment to project excellence. Founded in Fort Worth in 1894, Freese and Nichols offers comprehensive engineering, environmental science and architectural services to municipal, industrial and private sector clients. The firm is consistently ranked No. 1 in Texas in CE News' Best Civil Engineering Firms to Work For contest. For more information about Freese & Nichols in Central Texas, contact Mike Nichols at (512) 451-7955.



### Hartwell Environmental Corporation

Hartwell Environmental Corporation represents leading manufacturers of water and wastewater treatment equipment for municipalities, industries, and utility districts. Our manufacturers provide the latest technology in the industry and we are dedicated to providing this equipment to our Texas and Oklahoma markets. For more information, contact Kent Guilbeau at (512) 347-7676.



Central Texas Section Officers are listed below. If you are interested in volunteering, please contact any officer.

*President* – David Briggs

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*President - Elect* – Steve Coonan

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*Vice-President* – Karol Menhard

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*Secretary* – Brad Castleberry

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*Section Rep.* – Lynne Moss

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*Past President* – Raj Bhattarai

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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 Brad Castleberry at 512-322-5856.

## YP CORNER

Texas Water 2005 is now behind us. Several of the Austin WEAT Young Professionals volunteered their time at the conference for registration, moderating technical sessions, and assisting with all of the activities at the conference. The WEAT YP leaders from each area of the state met at the conference to determine how we can get more of our young professionals involved in the organization.

The April YP happy hour was held on April 27th at Oval Divine's on West 6th street and was sponsored by Environmental Improvements, Inc. Thanks to Environmental Improvements, Inc. for sponsoring this event! Also, thank you to Diamond Fiberglass for sponsoring our last happy hour. Additionally, thanks are past due to Premier Chemicals for sponsoring all of the happy hours for last year. If your company is interested in sponsoring the next YP happy hour please contact me; sponsors are always appreciated. The objective of our happy hours is to provide an environment for the WEAT Young Professionals to meet and get to know their peers. Establishing new colleagues and friends provides a good introduction to getting more involved in the Central Texas WEAT section.

For more information about YP activities and to get on the e-mail list, please feel free to contact me at (512) 732-7517 or at [pontessokd@c-b.com](mailto:pontessokd@c-b.com).

Kathy Pontesso, P.E.

YP Chair – Central Texas Section

## UPCOMING MEETINGS/EVENTS:

**3<sup>rd</sup> Bi-Annual Texas Odor and Corrosion Conference and Expo, Irving, Texas, May 12-13, 2005**

**AWWA 2005 Annual Conference & Exposition, San Francisco, California, June 12-16, 2005**

**Asset Management Conference, Dallas, Texas, June 28-29, 2005**

**WEAT Annual Summer Cruise aboard the Flagship Texas on Lake Travis, July 29<sup>th</sup>, 2005**

**Biosolids Conference, Austin, Texas, August 19, 2005**

**Innovative Technology Conference, Wichita Falls, Texas, September 22, 2005**

**WEFTEC Conference, Washington, D.C., October 29-November 2, 2005**

## Reminder for WEAT Meeting Attendees - PayPal!

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