

Changes for 2018

2017 is now in the books. It was a nice year, but as we put away the eganog and finish singing Auld Lang Sine, we start to look forward to 2018. For NCWOA, 2018 promises to be an exciting year, with a few changes.

Probably the first change you will notice is the new sectional training format. As in the past, all NCWOA members will be able to obtain their drinking water CEUs for free, by attending section meetings. But starting this year, each section will have three section meetings, and each meeting will be split into two, 2-hour segments. For those of us who prefer to get all 6 hours of training in one day, no problem! We will still have the Advanced Day at our Spring and Fall schools, as well as Lab Tech Day and Remote Lab Tech Day. We anticipate this training to include more hands-on activities and panel discussions. Look for this year's training schedule in this issue of GWTF.

How many of us have traveled to Morganton to attend the spring

school? Foothills Higher Education Center and NCWOA have worked well together for many years. But things change, and due to growth and scheduling constraints, this year's spring school will be held in Hickory, NC, at the Hickory Metro Convention Center. The school is going to be held April 16 - 20. I look forward to seeing you there.

One of the concerns for the drinking water industry (and for other industries) is succession. It has been said that about a third of all drinking water operators will be retiring within the next few years, and someone has to take their place. To that end, this year NCWOA will be expanding our outreach to the public. We anticipate participating at career fairs, visiting schools, and attending the League of Municipalities.

So, welcome to 2018! I hope that 2018 will be a great year for you and NCWOA as we implement these changes.

Thank you, Jeff Isley

City of Concord **NCWOA** President

The purpose of GO WITH THE FLOW is to keep you, the operator, informed of some of the training opportunities that are available for your certification needs (new and renewal). The Training/ Meetings calendar will be updated quarterly as information about new training opportunities becomes available. Events may be scheduled by: NCWOA, Public Water Supply Section, State Laboratory of Public Health, and other sources. This newsletter may also contain information on new regulations, news from the Certification Board, and important need-to-know resource contacts.

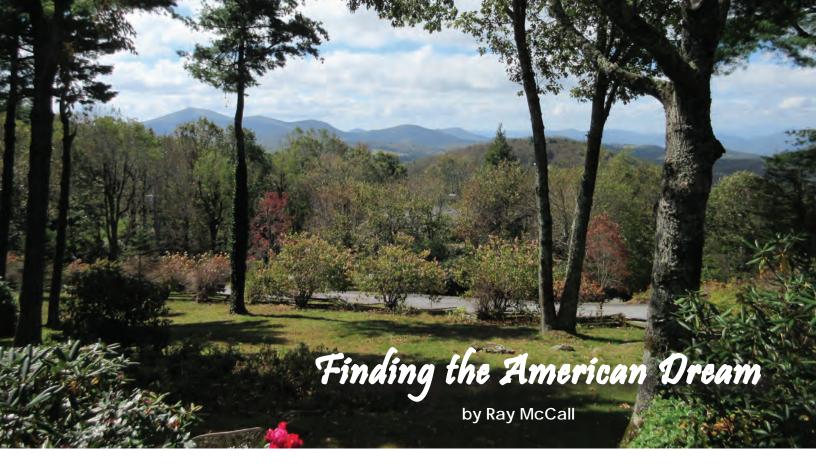
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Important Phone Numbers



Tim and Sandy Vos moved to Macon County, NC in 1993 from Florida after they learned that the owners of King Mountain Club needed a fulltime caretaker and water system operator. They immediately applied because they saw the opportunity as a chance to relocate their family to a place that would be a better environment to raise their young children.

King Mountain Club is a small private community (water system) located just west of Highlands, NC, near the Scaly Mountain area. The water system is unique because it is served by two small springs and one backup groundwater well. The springs were deemed to be groundwater under the direct influence of surface water in the early 1990s, therefore the sources required more treatment instead of just chlorination.

After several years of testing and rehabilitation of the springs, it was decided that membrane filtration would be the best treatment method to insure user protection against possible microbiological contamination. Therefore, in 1996 a three (3) cartridge Memcor Membrane filtration plant was constructed and placed on line. At the time this was the smallest membrane filter plant in North Carolina at a rate of only 35 gallons per minute.

Tim has not only operated the treatment system, but has also done most of the repair and replacement of the membranes over the years. He also performs pH and chlorine treatment to the system and recently installed the newest laser track turbidity meters to monitor water quality. He maintains the entire water system with little

to no outside assistance and it is maintained in excellent condition.

Tim and Sandy turned out to be extraordinary operators and managers of the water system, which has never had any major outages in the 24 years they have operated the system. Even through hurricanes (Opal and recently Irma), droughts and winters where the temperature on the mountain would dip to 10 below zero, water service was still available.

In the drought of 2005 the springs just about went dry, so Tim devised a plan to build a large underground concrete tank to hold and store raw water. This allowed him to ration the water during droughts in order to provide water service to everyone. He later promoted the drilling of wells and after several failed attempts, finally drilled a well near the treatment building which produced enough water to further supplement the system. Today the well and springs are blended together and flow to the new raw water storage tank prior to treatment. Due to his successful and dedicated work at King Mountain, Tim was chosen as the C-Well Operator of the Year by NCWOA in 2006.

Sandy acts as the bookkeeper, lab sampling specialist and manages the compliance monitoring schedules. Working with Tim, they have had very few problems with compliance testing or in the reporting of water quality monitoring. Sandy also assists Tim with the monthly electronic reporting of daily operations and sees that each test is properly recorded and reported. She also

gives regular updates and notices (if needed) to the homeowners.

Although Tim and Sandy work on the mountain, they have also become members of the homeowner association by ownership of their home. By working hard, they have been able to move up the mountain from the caretaker home and now live near the top of the mountain in a beautiful home overlooking Georgia to the south.

They also have other interests. Sandy has worked throughout the area near Highlands as an event planner and hostess and also worked for years at the Rabun Gap-Nacoochee School, which is a co-educational, college-preparatory school. Besides being a fantastic Dahlia flower grower, she is an excellent baker of fine foods and desserts and makes some pumpkin desert squares that are "out of this world good." Her recipes are featured in many local cook books throughout the area.

Tim regularly collects and restores antique automobiles. Many are rare automobiles, such as his 1933 Ford truck, a 1958 Cadillac Eldorado Brougham which has a stainless steel top, and his 1935 Cadillac Coup. All are very rare and in Barrett/Jackson type condition. Tim has done all the mechanical and body restoration himself and rarely gets any outside help in his restoration projects. He says when he retires he will have more time to go to car shows and travel some with Sandy.

It is safe to say that Tim and Sandy have carved out a piece of the American Dream working and living at King Mountain. They are certainly good managers of the water system and also take very good care of the grounds, maintenance, and all the facilities at King Mountain Club. If you are in the area stop in and see Tim and Sandy. Sandy might serve you some of her delicious chocolate eclairs and Tim will let you look but not touch his beautiful vintage automobiles. Of course, you could sit on their front porch and view the Blue Sky Valley in the lower foothills of the Blue Ridge Mountains and just enjoy visiting with some really fine people.







What's happening at your plant?

Are you going through an upgrade, adding some new features, starting a new process? Want to share your experience with other operators?

NCWOA would love to include your article in Go With The Flow.

Anyone interested please contact Heather Cagle at heather@ncwoa.com

NCWOA Seminars with Proposed Agendas

All NCWOA seminars listed on pages 5 are for 6.0 contact hours and are pre-approved by the NCWTFOCB for treatment and distribution operators. Some of the seminars will also qualify for 6.0 wastewater contact hours. Individuals that attend an entire seminar will receive a Certificate of Attendance for 6.0 contact hours. Please see each individual seminar agenda or description for details. Seminar agendas and locations are tentative and may be subject to change.

Keeping It Safe and Secure: Facility, SCADA & our Most Valuable Resource, Employees Advanced Day 2018

April 18, 2018 in Hickory (Registration will be in Spring School Brochure)

Welcome and opening remarks		our Networks and SCADA	
The Importance of Vulnerability Assessments	2:15 – 3:00	Cyber Security – Protecting our Networks and SCADA	
Physical Asset Security	3:00 – 3:20	Break	
Break	3:20 – 3:50	The Practical Application of Cybersecurity, a Case Study	
Hardening Our Facilities, A Case Study			
Panel/Roundtable – Vulnerability Assessments Implementation - What to do with the Information!	3:50 – 4:50	Panel / Round Table Discussions – Cyber Security - Mistakes – Guidelines to Improve Security	
Lunch (Provided on-site)	4:50	Certificates for 6 Contact hours for all DRINKING WATER and WASTEWATER	
Cyber Security – What are the Risks to		certifications	
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Spring Certification School

April 16-20, 2018 at the Hickory Metro Convention Center in Hickory

NEW LOCATION!!

For more information check our website at www.ncwoa.com

Brochures coming in early January

Lab Tech Day

May 3, 2018 at the McKimmon Center in Raleigh

DETAILED INFORMATION COMING SOON

NCWOA Sectional Training

NCWOA sectional training meetings listed below are for 4.0 contact hours and are pre-approved by the NCWTFOCB for treatment and distribution operators. All sectional training is open to anyone regardless of your particular section. Training agendas and locations are tentative and may be subject to change.

All Sectional Training Meetings will take place from 10am - 3pm.

There will be two training sessions (10am-12noon and 1pm-3pm), you may attend one or both.

Sectional Trainings are open to anyone, however if you want contact hours you must be an active member or be prepared to pay the \$40 annual membership fee on-site.

Western Sectional Training

March 15, 2018 - Town of Valdese

Topics: Rules & Regulations Update, Energy Conservation

May 24, 2018 - Maggie Valley Sanitary District

Topics: Bleach & Caustic Safety, Backwash/Air Scour, Filter Media/Underdrains

August 2, 2018 - Bryson City

Topics: Water Loss, New Meter Technologies, SCADA, UCMR4

October 23, 2018 - South Mountain State Park (2 credit hours only)

Topics: Tour, Polymer

Please RSVP to Brendan Kelley at (828) 890-2835 or BKelley@ashevillenc.gov

North Piedmont Sectional Training

March 8, 2018 - Piedmont Triad Regional Water Authority

Topics: Math for Operators, Trouble Shooting Your Distribution System, Tour, Working with Different Age Groups & Styles

June 14, 2018 - City of Eden

Topics: Tour, UCMR4, Flushing Programs, Water Age Management

August 8, 2018 - Orange Water & Sewer Authority (OWASA)

Topics: Filter Underdrains & Support Systems, Filter Media, Tour, Filter Assessment

Please RSVP to Melanie Clark at (336) 627-1009 ext 101 or mclark@edennc.us

South Piedmont Sectional Training

March 22, 2018 - Polytec, Inc - Mooresville

Topics: Jar Testing, Tour, Safe Handling of Chemicals

June 21, 2018 - Shelby WTP

Topics: Distribution, Rules & Regulations

August 23, 2018 - Clty of Concord

Topics: Source Water, Reservoir Management

Please RSVP to Tena Mullis at (704) 920-5163 or mullistm@concordnc.gov

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Northeast Sectional Training

February 8, 2018 - Neuse Regional Water Authority

Topics: Control Valves, Water Age Management, Flushing Programs

May 10, 2018 - Currituck County

Topics: Security, Tank Care & Maintenance, Chlorine Gas Safety

August 16, 2018 - Tyrell County

Topics: TBD

October 9, 2018 - Greenville Utilities Commission

Topics: Filter Construction & Assessment, Backwashing Techniques

Please RSVP to Yama Jones at (252) 232-6061 or Yama.jones@currituckcountync.gov

Southeast Sectional Training

February 15, 2018 - Cape Fear Public Utility Authority

Topics: Source Water Protection, SCADA, Developing a Safety Plan, Flushing

April 5, 2018 - PWC - Fayetteville

Topics: Plant Efficiencies, Filtration, Plant Residuals, Tanks

June 5, 2018 - Onslow Water & Sewer Authority (ONWASA)

Topics: Lab Training, Rules & Regulations, Renewable Energy, People Skills for Supervisors

Please RSVP to Pam Gibbons at (910) 897-5129 or gibbonspi@yahoo.com (preferably by email)

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Heather Cagle, NCWOA Administrator (252) 764-2094 ext. 1 Email: heather@ncwoa.com

or check our website at www.ncwoa.com

Additional NCWOA Sponsored Training

Bacteriological Methods Workshop February 20-22, 2018 July 24-26, 2018 Contact Tiffany Kohl, (919) 807-8879

Process Control Workshop March 6-9, 2018 August 14-17, 2018 Contact Tiffany Kohl, (919) 807-8879

Math Review Contact JD Monroe, (910) 947-6784 NCWOA Spring School
April 16-20, 2018 in Hickory
NEW LOCATION!!!
A, B, & C Surface
B & C Well
Advanced Day, April 18, 2018
Brochures coming in January

Your Opportunity to Partner with NCWOA

The North Carolina Waterworks Operators Association has been the premier trainer of waterworks professionals for NC since 1939. NCWOA volunteers are industry leaders that come together to provide certification schools and continuing education opportunities to members and non-members. Annually, NCWOA conducts two regional well and surface schools and offers a variety of professional growth training opportunities across the state. These opportunities keep water industry professionals informed about new technology and advances in the water industry.

Corporate sponsorship provides valuable opportunities to market your company's message to thousands of North Carolina water professionals who may use or need your products and services.

Pricing and Registration information located on our website at www.ncwoa.com or contact Heather Cagle at (252) 764-2094 ext. 1 or heather@ncwoa.com

Platinum Sponsorship

- Everything included in Gold PLUS:
- Full page color ad in the NCWOA annual directory with preferred placement (ad will be placed among the first pages of the full page ads)
- Quarter page ad in Go With The Flowone time only during the year (space could be used to advertise your company or specific products.)
- Website ad on home page with clickthrough to your company's website for a period of one year (Ad will remain up for one year but the ad copy may be changed once per quarter.)
- Facebook advertisement/article posted quarterly
- Your company logo in our quarterly publication Go With the Flow (all 4 publications)

Gold Sponsorship

- Everything included in Silver PLUS:
- Booth at the NCWOA Spring School
- Booth at the NCWOA Fall School
- Full page color ad in the NCWOA annual directory (placement will be after the platinum sponsors)
- Your company logo on the NCWOA website home page with a click-through to your company's website
- Your company's logo in our quarterly publication Go With the Flow (at least 3 publications)

Silver Sponsor

- Half page color ad in the NCWOA annual directory
- Your company logo on the resource page of the website
- 5 NCWOA Memberships with invitations to the local NCWOA section meetings
- Your company logo in our sectional training flyers and email notifications
- Your company logo in our quarterly publication Go With the Flow (at least 2 publications)
- Your company logo on the sponsor's banner at the NCWOA annual schools in the spring and fall
- Acknowledgement as a sponsor at NCWOA schools

School Sponsorship

- Padfolio sponsor
 Your company logo (one color) printed on student padfolios
 8 opportunities available
 4 for spring school and 4 for fall school
- T-shirt sponsor
 Your company logo (one color) printed
 on student t-shirts
 fall and spring opportunities
- Meal sponsor Includes signage and acknowledgement in student packet
- Break sponsor Includes signage and acknowledgement in student packet

Sectional Training Sponsorship

Giveaway sponsorship
 Your company logo printed on promotional items given away at sectional training meetings (hats, cups, etc)

North Carolina Waterworks Operators Association MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

MISSION STATEMENT: To provide knowledge, skills & educational opportunities for drinking water professionals; develop working relationships with other water treatment organizations; project a positive image and communicate the importance of safe drinking water.



Membership Application ANNUAL DUES ARE \$40.00 FOR 2018

First Name:	Middle Initial: Last Na	ame:		
Nickname:	Social Security # (last 4 digits): xxx-xx	If Renewal, what is your NCWOA Member #:		
YOUR Individual O	perator Certification #: (Issued by NCWTFOCB)	_		
Certificate(s) Held:	:			
A-Surface	B-Surface C-Surface A-Well B-Well	C-Well D-Well		
A-Dist	B-Dist C-Dist D-Dist Cross-Connection			
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None Yet	You are not an Operator & do not plan to become Certifie	ed.		
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	ke checks payable to "NCWOA" or "North Carolina Waterworks" d payments may be mailed, faxed, or scanned but NOT called in			
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Winston-Salem	336-776-9800	
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