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IGWA Newsletter

The quarterly newsletter of the Indiana Ground Water Association (IGWA)

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LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

I hope this letter finds everyone healthy, happy, and busy. We have survived 2020 and it's onto 2021! It has been a cold February so far but I'll take frozen ground over mud any day.

For those of you that could not make it to the convention to get your continuing education points, worry not. We have already scheduled an educational event in March and a field day in May and again in the fall. Details on our March and May events are included in the newsletter (see pages 2 and 6). As with everyone, we are still working with Covid-related restrictions with our events. Due to county limits, we have to limit each class. As things improve this year, we hope these number limits increase. But until then, preregistration is required. We are also looking into new and different topics for future classes, as many of you have suggested.

I am excited for all of us to have another busy year of work as we move ourselves past this pandemic. We look forward to seeing everyone at our great events that we have organized for 2021 and beyond. Everyone please stay safe and stay warm!

Mark Ortman, President, IGWA

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CEU DEFERRAL BY THE IDNR

2020 was a challenging year for us all. In person meetings were all but cancelled. The IGWA was able to have our convention and education in October. 160 attendees were able to get all their education points for the 2019/2020 cycle.

The IDNR had a large number of drillers and pump installers who were not able to acquire the number of hours needed to renew their 2021 license. As a result they chose to DEFER these hour requirements to the 2023 license renewal.

What does this mean for you the driller or pump installer?

1. You acquired all your hours for the 2019/2020 cycle.
 - a. Your hours will stay on the record. You will only need your normal hours for the next cycle of 2021/2022 to renew your 2023 license.
2. You acquired none of your hours for the 2019/2020 cycle.
 - a. You will need DOUBLE the hours for the next cycle of 2021/2022 to renew your 2023 license.
3. You acquired some of your hours for the 2019/2020 cycle.
 - a. You will need to acquire the remaining hours for the 2019/2020 cycle PLUS all the hours for the next cycle of 2021/2022 to renew your 2023 license.

CEU hour requirements:

- If you only hold a Well Driller license then you need 6 hours of education each cycle.
- If you only hold a Pump Installer license then you need 6 hours of education each cycle.
- If you hold a combination Well Driller/ Pump Installer license then you need 12 total hours (6 well driller and 6 pump installer).
- Most education classes are approved for both well driller and pump installer licenses.

If you have questions about your hours, you need to contact the IDNR as they are the licensing agency responsible for tracking your hours. The phone number is 317-232-4160.

Thank you to our 2021 corporate sponsors!

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Spring 2021 Continuing Education Workshop

Agenda & Registration

March 26, 2021 ~ 8:00 AM to 4:00 PM

Valle Vista Conference Center
755 E. Main St. Greenwood, IN 46143

Approved for Continuing Education Hours: 6.0 Well Drillers + 6.0 Pump Installers

This will count for education hours for the 2019-2020 **OR** 2021-2022 cycle

Preregistration is required. NO WALK IN REGISTRATION.

CLASS LIMIT OF 50

8:00 am – 8:30 am.....Sign in with Breakfast
8:30 am – 9:30 am.....Mark Basch IDNR Updates
10:00 am – 12:00 pm.....Kevin McGinnis..... Innovative Treatments for Water Quality
12:00 pm – 12:45 pmLunch
12:45 pm – 1:45 pmTodd Tannehill Grouting Issues
2:00 pm – 4:00 pmThom Hanna Well Disinfection & Borehole Classification

Member Fee: \$60.00 | Non-member Fee: \$100.00 — ALL MEALS INCLUDED!

This must be paid for by March 19. Fees are per person.

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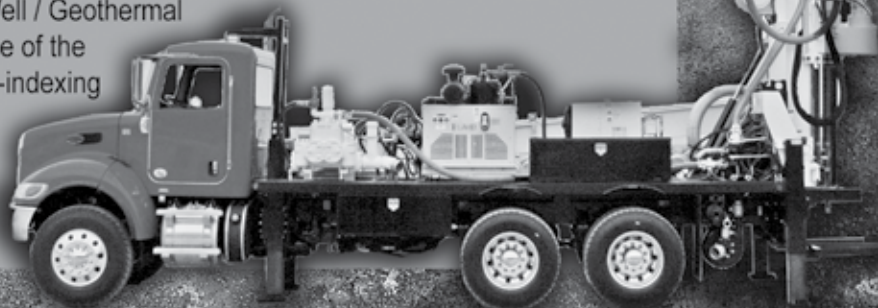
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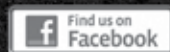


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2021 D.O.T. SPRING FIELD DAY
AGENDA AND REGISTRATION**

MAY 21, 2021

Location: Versa-Drill

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**Registration
Required!
Register by
May 12**

CEU Approved:
6.0 Well Driller
6.0 Pump Installer
Counts for 2019-2020
or 2021-2022

**OSHA Safety Standards apply:
Hard Hats & steel-toe boots required
within 75 feet of all equipment.**

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|----------------|--|
| 8:30 am- 9 am | Registration |
| 9 am – 12 noon | Drill Rig and Tender & Trailer Walk Around |
| 12 noon – 1 pm | Lunch (included) |
| 1 pm- 4 pm | Driller Safety |

Due to Covid restrictions pre registration is required. No walk in registration.
Class limit is 50 people. Once we reach this limit, registration will be closed.

**The fee for this is \$60.00 for members and \$100.00 for non-members. This must be paid for by May 12.
Fees are per person.**

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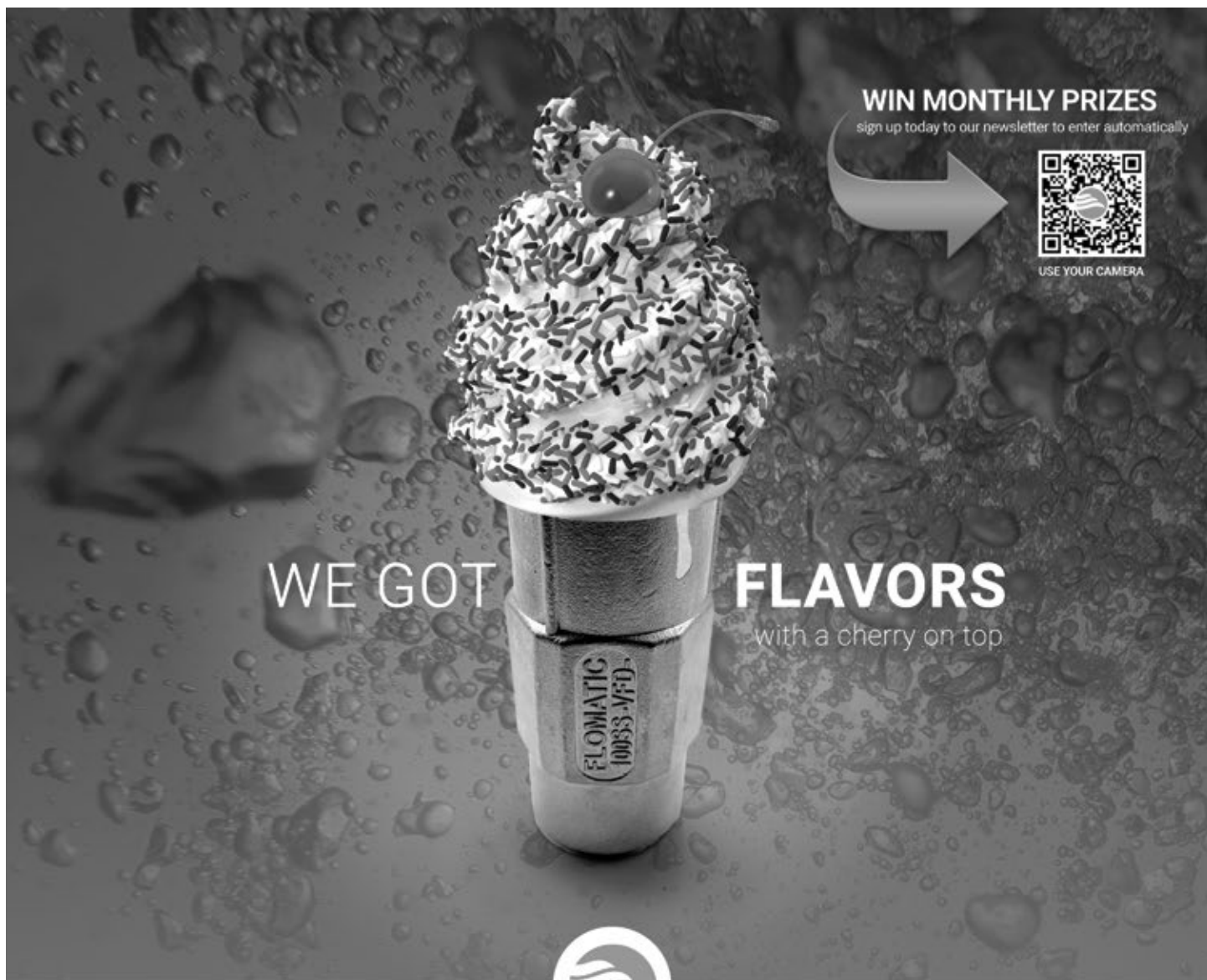
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NEW BOARD TERMS AND ANNUAL MEETING UPDATE



At the 2020 Annual meeting the bylaws were voted on and updated. The new changes are as follows:

- Annual Member Meetings are now Biennial Member Meetings. They will occur in the even years and be a part of our biennial conventions.
- Director Terms have changed from three years to four years.
- Officers' terms remain the same after 2022. Officers serve two years in a position. To adjust to the new term schedule, the current officers will extend their term by one year. Afterwards officers will change in even years at the Members' Biennial Meeting.

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TOP GROUNDWATER MYTHS

- Groundwater migrates thousands of miles.
- Groundwater removed from the Earth is never returned.
- Groundwater is not a significant source of water supply.
- Groundwater is abundantly available, therefore does not need to be conserved.
- There is no relationship between groundwater and surface water.

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The tools can be found at: <https://www.ngwa.org/get-involved/groundwater-awareness-week/groundwater-awareness-week-2021>

Top 10 Facts About Groundwater Use

- Only 1 percent of the water on Earth is usable, 99 percent of which is groundwater.
- The United States uses 349 billion gallons of freshwater every day.
- Groundwater is 20 to 30 times larger than all U.S. lakes, streams, and rivers combined.
- Groundwater accounts for 33 percent of all the water used by U.S. municipalities.
- 44 percent of the U.S. population depends on groundwater for its drinking water supply.
- More than 13.2 million households have their own well, representing 34 million people.
- 53.5 billion gallons of groundwater are used for agricultural irrigation each day. In 1990 that number was 2.2 billion.
- The largest U.S. aquifer is Ogallala, underlying 250,000 square miles stretching from Texas to South Dakota. Scientists estimate it could take 6000 years to naturally refill the aquifer if it were ever fully depleted.
- California pumps 10.7 billion gallons of groundwater each day, a third more than the second-highest state, Texas.
- Groundwater is the world's most extracted raw material with withdrawal rates in the estimated range of 259 trillion gallons per year.



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May 21: D.O.T. Spring Field Day • Registration on p. 6

Fall 2021: Field Day

Fall 2021: Top Golf Social Event

November 30: Dues Deadline

December 31: License Renewal through IDNR

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