

Annual Safety Meeting Slated Oct.28

Safety Meeting
Best Western Plus, Main Street, Waterville, ME
Monday, October 28, 2013

6:00 pm **Dinner** - Order off menu
7:00 p.m. **Speaker** Adela Cifelli –
Maine Safety Works
Adela will be speaking on “How you apply proper rigging methods and increase safety on your work site”.
How to protect yourself from back injury with safe lifting practices and GHS (Global Harmonized Systems of Classification and Labeling of Chemicals.)

RSVP by October 25, 2013 for the Meal.
If you just want to come to the workshop you do not need to RSVP.
If you would please send an email to Pat at crdrillpat@aol.com or leave a message on the office phone 666-5687 it would be great so we can give the restaurant a head count.

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MGWA Annual Safety Meeting is Oct. 28
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Maine Groundwater Newsletter

“Keeping you in the Flow”



Photo credit: Nashville Convention & Visitors Bureau

The National Groundwater Expo will be held in Nashville this year from December 3-6. Please see page 7 for a notice about becoming a delegate for the Maine Groundwater Association at the Expo.

Mark Your Calendars

Here are the dates which have been set for various meetings. MGWA Director's meetings will be Oct. 28, there will be no meeting in Nov. and Dec. 9. They meet at The Best Western, 375 Main St. (Exit 130 off Rte.95), Waterville and begin at 6 p.m.
The Commission will be meeting on Oct. 10, Nov. 14 and Dec. 12. These meetings are held at 286 Water Street, Key Bank Plaza, in Augusta.

The Annual Safety Meeting will be held on October 28.

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For questions on Commission business call Dave Braley at 207-441-5324

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MGWA Director's Minutes for Sept. 9

The Maine Groundwater Association meeting was called to order by President Jin Innis at 6:16 p.m. with the following present: Joe Gallant, Frank Hagarty, Harry Hanscom, Judy Hanscom, Mark Weeks, Ted McLeod and Pat Pratt.

A motion to approve the Minutes of the Director's Meeting for April 8, 2013 was made by Mark Weeks and seconded by Ted McLeod and was unanimously approved.

A motion to approve the Treasurer's Report of September 9, 2013 was made by Ted McLeod and seconded by Joe Gallant and was unanimously approved.

Membership Applications: Applications for Active Memberships were presented for Peter Oaks and Jason Oaks, Ace Well Service, Inc., 857 Back River Road, Boothbay, ME 04537. A motion was made by Mark Weeks and seconded by Ted McLeod to approve both applications for membership and was unanimously approved.

Legislative Committee: There is not a report at this time, after the next Commission Meeting there will be a report on setbacks for Geo wells from leach fields that are being discussed at the Commission.

Educational Committee: A discussion was held on a possible subject for the Safety Meeting and Jim Innis is going to contact Maine's Safety Works Program to see if they can put together a program. The Spring Demo was mentioned, everyone should be thinking of a Subject or Project for it.

Web Site: No Report.

New Business: We can have 5 Delegates to represent Maine at the NGWA Convention in Nashville, TN. Anyone interested should contact Pat Pratt so they can be registered with NGWA.

A motion to adjourn was made at 7:14 p.m. by Frank Hagarty and seconded by Ted McLeod and was unanimously approved.

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South Atlantic Well Drillers Jubilee.

Rusty Redding, business development manager of Layne Christensen Co., has been employed in the groundwater industry for 25 years. Redding has been a speaker at NGWA conferences and participates in the Kansas Ground Water Association, Kansas Rural Water Association, and local organizations.


Richard Thron, MGWC, president-owner of Mantyla Well Drilling, Inc., has been employed in the groundwater industry for 50 years. Thron currently serves as a director on the NGWA Board of Directors and has also served on the Government Affairs Committee, Professional Designations Oversight Subcommittee, DOT/OHSA Subcommittee, and the McElhiney Lecture Series Task Force. Thron has also been an

active member of the Minnesota Water Well Association for more than 25 years serving as president of the association in 1991.

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Beginning at 6 p.m. on Tuesday, from Music City Center, custom coaches will circulate through the downtown between the Expo hotels, stopping at various hotspots of the city, approximately every 20 to 30 minutes. You are free to get off at any stop to visit the surrounding establishments on your own and then hop aboard another coach when you are ready to move on to the next stop or head back to your hotel.

Preregistration is required. The cost on or before November 8 is \$30 for NGWA members and \$40 for nonmembers; thereafter, the cost is \$40 for members and \$50 for nonmembers




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the winter months. ASA serves more than 450 individuals with the help of almost 250 active volunteers. ASA's programs help to enrich and transform the lives of people with disabilities through sports and recreation.

Sweethearts of the Rodeo

Last, but not least, sit back, relax, and enjoy a concert by the hit country music duo Sweethearts of the Rodeo!

The hit country music duo will be performing an exclusive concert at this year's NGWA Expo. Hailing from Nashville, they are sure to be a fantastic welcome to Music City.

This is their first album since 1996. Restless, the all new 12-track album produced by Dave Pomeroy, Janis Oliver, and Kristine Arnold, recaptures the feisty spirit of their classic hits such as "Midnight Girl / Sunset Town," "Satisfy You", and "Blue to the Bone" — plus offers new sounds as well

Delegates Meeting

Thursday, December 5, 8:30-10 a.m.

Come meet this year's board candidates. And, if you've been chosen as a delegate, make sure your vote gets counted.

Denis Crayon, CHST, director of health & safety of Summit Drilling, has been employed in the groundwater industry for 20 years. Crayon currently serves as the chair of the NGWA DOT/OSHA Subcommittee, a member of the NGWA Government Affairs Committee and as a director of the Board of Directors for the New Jersey Ground Water Association. Crayon has also contributed several NGWA Water Well Journal articles and assisted in the development of several NGWA Best Suggested Practices.

Todd Hunter, CWD/PI, owner and manager of Ground Water Pump Systems, has been employed in the groundwater industry for 34 years. Hunter currently serves as a director on the NGWA Board of Directors, a chair of Professional Designations Oversight Subcommittee, and as a member of Standard Development Oversight Subcommittee. Hunter remains involved with the Colorado Water Well Association.

D. Merritt Partridge III, vice president of Partridge Well Drilling Co. Inc., has been employed in the groundwater industry for 14 years. Partridge is currently the Secretary Treasurer of the Florida Ground Water Association, and serves on the Board of Directors for the

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New Regulation Impacts All CDL Holders

Information Courtesy of Maine Motor Transport Assoc.

All CDL holders in Maine received a letter from the Bureau of Motor Vehicles around January 1, 2012. The letter has prompted many calls to MMTA asking for clarification of the letter. This article seeks to clarify the purpose of the letter and to inform CDL holders of the history behind the letter and what action is required by them.

The Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration wants to link the medical card to the CDL license. None of the actual medical requirements have or will be changing, but linking the medical card to the CDL license will eliminate the obligation for drivers who are required to have a medical card, to carry it on their person while driving a commercial motor vehicle.

The letter requires drivers to certify to the type of driving that they perform, and if required to hold a medical card, to provide a current



Tim Doyle of the Maine Motor Transport Assoc. speaking at the 2013 Annual Meeting. Doyle shared this story with the newsletter.

copy of that medical card to the Bureau of Motor Vehicles. This action must occur between January 30, 2012 and January 30, 2014. All CDL holders fall into one of four categories spelled out in the letter. The following more clearly explains the

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choices:

INTERSTATE NON-EXCEPTED: You drive outside the borders of Maine or further interstate commerce in Maine and are therefore required to have a medical card. Furthering interstate commerce would be transporting a load that came from outside the borders of Maine, was dropped in Maine and you are transporting the load to its final destination.

INTERSTATE EXCEPTED: You drive outside the borders of Maine or further interstate commerce and are not required to have a medical card because you are exempt per part 390.3(f). These exemptions are not typical of most interstate drivers and this category does not apply to most over the road truck drivers.

INTRASTATE NON-EXCEPTED: You drive only within the borders of Maine but outside 100 air miles. You are therefore required to

have a medical card. This would also apply to transporting hazardous materials that require placards, in Maine.

INTRASTATE EXCEPTED: You drive only within the borders of Maine and within 100 air miles of your normal work reporting location, thus you are not required by regulation to have a medical card.

CDL holders should certify to the most restrictive type of driving that they do and are qualified to perform. For example, if you normally drive within Maine and within 100 air miles, but you have a medical card as you occasionally work for a Hazmat carrier on weekends, you would have to certify as INTRASTATE NON-EXCEPTED because of the requirement to have a medical card when you are transporting the placarded hazmat load.

If you hold a CDL but no longer intend to drive or hold a medical card, you can certify as INTRASTATE-EXCEPTED.

The bottom line is when you are stopped by the State Police, they See CDL Holders on page 5

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Opening Ceremony and Awards Presentations

Wednesday, December 4, 10 a.m.-12 p.m.

The opening session is taking on a new look, feel, and agenda this year!

NGWA awards presentations: First, come and honor the groundwater industry's best and brightest during the presentation of the 2013 NGWA awards.

H2O Talks

Next, discover inspiration from these brief, but informative, H2O — "Health...Humanitarian...Opportunities" — Talks from two well-known guest speakers.

Hydrophilanthropy: What Can You Do?

presented by Michael E. Campana, Ph.D.
Oregon State University

"Water is H2O: hydrogen two parts, oxygen one. But there is also a third thing that makes water and nobody knows what that is." - D.H. Lawrence

Hydrophilanthropy, a term coined by NGWA member David Kreamer, Ph.D., refers to the practice of providing water, sanitation, and hygiene (WaSH) access to those who struggle to achieve these benefits that those in the developed world often take for granted. When you realize what the term means, your first inclination is to say, "Oh yeah, I understand. That's what the Gates Foundation, World Vision, Save the Children, Water For People, and those other groups do. Not much I can do, except maybe write a check." But there is more you can do. "What?" you ask.

Stay tuned as Campana, 40-year NGWA member, and founder and president of the Ann Campana Judge Foundation, a hydrophilanthropy he established in 2002 in memory of his younger sister, shows you what others like you are doing to bring safe water to the world's forgotten people.

The ACJF works in Central America building WaSH systems and provides funding to others to do the same.

Exploring the Adaptive Sports for the Disabled on the Ski Slopes and Outdoors

presented by Thom M. Hanna, RPG
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An active member of the 29-year-old Adaptive Sports Association (ASA), long-time NGWA member Hanna pursues his passion to help those with disabilities enjoy skiing and other outdoor sports. Through his involvement with ASA, he is able to work with students to overcome physical and cognitive challenges in a supportive environment.

Dave Spencer, the founder and driving force behind ASA, lost a leg to cancer while in college in Wisconsin. He came to Purgatory, Colorado, through a ski magazine advertisement after returning to skiing as part of his rehabilitation program. "When I discovered I could ski, I suddenly had the feeling I could accomplish anything I wanted," Spencer said.

Through the years ASA has grown to encompass additional activities including rafting, kayaking, rock climbing, canoeing, bicycling, and overnight camping. ASA also provides sport and recreation activities for special education classes within the local school districts and trains Special Olympics athletes during

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Water Well Commission Minutes for August

Well Driller's Meeting Minutes
Date: Wednesday, August 14, 2013
Location: 286 Water Street, 3rd Floor

Attendees: Commission Members:

Donald Robbins, Certified Geologist, Public Member, Chairman; Frank Hegarty, Master Pump Installer; David Braley, Senior Geologist, Maine CDC and Prevention; Dwight Doughty, Jr. Hydrogeologist, Maine DOT; and Joe Gallant, Master Driller.

Absent: Ike Goodwin, Master Driller; and Tom Weddle, Hydrogeologist.

Legal Counsel:

Deanna White, Assistant Attorney General – Office of the Attorney General.

Minutes prepared by: Doris Poirier, Commission Clerk.

Proceedings:

Don Robbins - Meeting called to order at 9:01 a.m.

Deanna White informed the Commission that Mr. Mark Randlett will be sitting in for her at the September meeting.

TOPIC: Approval of July 2013 Minutes:

Discussion: Edits to the July minutes were provided to Doris. It was moved to approve the revised minutes as amended. The vote was unanimous. Doris will update the July minutes and distribute to Commission members.

TOPIC: Complaints:

Mr. Eric Booker did not follow-up with documentation on his verbal complaint to the

Commission. No action needed at this time.

TOPIC: Specialty Well Applications: (SWP)

The following SWA was reviewed and approved by the Commission. Joe Gallant moved to approve; David Braley seconded; the vote was 3 for and 2 against - Dwight Doughty and Don Robbins voted against:

Rebecca J. Wood, Homeowner – James Innis, Innis Well Drilling Company:

Proposed well to be located no closer than 70 feet from the leach field and 70 feet from septic tank on property. Proposed well to have 6 inch steel casing sealed into bedrock to a depth just above the first fresh water bearing fracture, with a minimum of 20 feet of casing. As an alternative, a minimum of 20 feet of 6 inch steel casing shall be sealed into bedrock with a solid 4 inch liner installed with top and bottom Jaswell type steel core seals with bottom seal just above fresh water fracture and top seal up inside 6 inch steel well casing. Both top and bottom seals shall be water tight. Annual water testing is recommended.

TOPIC: Well Reports:

David Braley reviewed copies of Tom Weddle's Well Reports generated by the Dept. of Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry.

TOPIC: Public Comments:

None at this time.

Meeting adjourned at 10 a.m.

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will run your license and verify the type of driving that you certified you perform, and will check to see if you are medically certified to perform the type of driving you are engaged in. If not properly certified, you will be in violation. This is no different than what occurs currently, except prior to this change you would have to carry your medical card with you while driving. Although not available until after January 30, 2012, BMV will make the certification forms available by an additional mailing to all CDL holders, having forms at each BMV office, and providing a link on their homepage. MMTA will link to that as well.


To Summarize:

- No action can occur prior to 1/30/12 as BMV is not ready to receive the certifications.
- None of the regulations have changed regarding medical cards.

- This rule will link the medical card and CDL license and thus eliminate to carry the medical card in the future.
- Between 1/30/12 and 1/30/14 all CDL drivers must self-certify to the type of driving they do and provide BMV with a copy of their current medical card if they are required to have one.
- The self-certification can be done as CDL licenses are renewed or MED CARDS are renewed after 1/30/12 but before 1/30/14.
- Going forward, copies of all new medical certificates will have to be sent to BMV as they are renewed. This must be done prior to the expiration date of the current card.
- Drivers should certify to the most regulatory restrictive driving they perform...for example, if they go interstate only once a year and drive in Maine the rest of the time, they should certify as INTERSTATE NON-EXCEPTED.


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Well Driller's Meeting Minutes
Date: Wednesday, July 10, 2013
Location: 286 Water Street, 3rd Floor

Attendees: Commission Members: Joe Gallant, Master Driller; Frank Hegarty, Master Pump Installer; Tom Weddle, Hydrogeologist; David Braley, Senior Geologist, Maine CDC and Prevention; Dwight Doughty, Jr., Hydrogeologist, Maine DOT; Ike Goodwin, Master Driller.
Absent: Donald Robbins, Certified Geologist, Public Member, Chairman.

Legal Counsel:
Deanna White, Assistant Attorney General – Office of the Attorney General.

Minutes prepared by: Doris Poirier, Commission Clerk.

Proceedings:

Ike Goodwin - Meeting called to order at 9:10 a.m.

TOPIC: Approval of June 2013 Minutes.

Discussion: Edits to the June minutes were provided to Doris. It was moved to approve the revised minutes as amended. The vote was unanimous. Doris will update the June minutes and distribute to the Commission members.

TOPIC: Current Complaints:
None at this time.

TOPIC: Specialty Well Applications: (SWP)

The following SWAs were reviewed and approved by the Commission:

- **Martin S. Johnson, Homeowner - Gary Gould Well Drilling Company:**
Proposed well to be located no closer than 26 feet from the onsite holding tank and no closer than 23 feet from the neighbor's holding tank. Proposed well to have a minimum of 90 feet of 6 inch steel casing sealed into bedrock with a solid 4 inch liner installed with top and bottom Jaswell type seals with bottom seal a minimum of 90 feet below grade and top seal up inside 6 inch steel well casing. Bottom and top seals shall be water tight.

- **William S. Mincher, Homeowner – Hansen's Well Drilling Company:**
Proposed well to be located outside the Maine Department of Transportation right-of-way for State Route 114, the location of which must be verified at the local D.O.T. field office. The well must also be located as far from the septic system components as practical and completed in the overburden to the depth determined to be most appropriate during installation based on local conditions observed by the driller to avoid salt laden groundwater.

In addition to the above SWAs, there were a total of 8 other SWAs that were reviewed and approved in-house between June and July.

TOPIC: Well Reports:

Tom Weddle distributed copies of Well Reports generated by the Dept. of Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry, for review by Commission members and will be discussed as an Agenda item at the August Commission meeting. David Braley will e-mail Don Robbins copies of these reports.

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TOPIC: Exam Applications:

Mr. Everett Allen McClintick – WD & PI Exam Application

Based on review of Mr. McClintick's application and based on past Maine licenses held, it was determined that he was eligible to sit for the above exams. Doris to send letter to Mr. McClintick informing him of his eligibility to sit for the exams.

During the review process, information provided by Mr. McClintick, indicated that he has been working without a license and it appears that he may not be appropriately licensed. David Braley will notify both Mr. McClintick and Judd Goodwin Well Drilling Company, in writing, that licensure is a requirement.

TOPIC: Public Comments:

None at this time.

TOPIC: Other Items:

Set-back notification form – This form is currently a 3-part NCR Form. David Braley will develop and post a revised one-part form, on-line, with instructions to individuals completing the form to make copies and where to send the copies to.

Licensing – past practicing guideline was that an individual had to be associated with a company license before engaging in work. David Braley motioned that an individual can hold a license without being associated with a company license as long as the individual did not engage in work. The vote was unanimous. Effective date – immediately.

Meeting adjourned at 11:15 a.m.

The Maine Groundwater Association is looking for five delegates to the National Groundwater Expo in Nashville from Dec. 3 - 6, 2013. Anyone interesting in representing our Association is asked to email Pat Pratt at crdrillpat@aol.com or call 207.666.5687.