



The Water Spout

Upcoming Dates in 2013

- Irrigation Show and Education Conference, November 4-8, Austin Convention Center, Austin, TX
- Texas Agricultural Irrigation Association Annual Membership Meeting and Banquet, Wednesday, November 6, Old Pecan Street Cafe, 504 Trinity Street, in conjunction with Irrigation Show and Education Conference, Austin, TX.
- Texas Water Summit, November 13-15, Austin, TX
- High Plains Irrigation Conference and Trade Show, January 16, **2014**, Amarillo Civic Center, Amarillo, TX

Annual Membership Meeting and Banquet to be held in Connection with IA Show in Austin in November

The TAIA Annual Membership Meeting and Banquet this year will be held in conjunction with the Irrigation Show and Education Conference in Austin, November 4-8, 2013. It will be held at the Old Pecan Street Cafe at 504 Trinity Street at 7 pm with a social hour (cash bar) beginning at 6 pm.. Representative Charles Perry will be the guest speaker.

The Irrigation Association, of which TAIA is a member, holds their International Show about every four years in Texas, so this a unique opportunity for members to attend the Banquet as well as the IA Show in their home state. Please make plans now to be a part of the happenings in Austin in November!

TAIA will have a booth in the Texas Corral near the entrance to the Convention Center along with four other Texas Associations who are co-hosting the IA Show. This booth will be open and manned during the Irrigation Show hours November 6 and 7. The TAIA Board of Directors may be asking for volunteers from the membership to help man the booth during these hours, so please let us know if you could spare an hour or two during the show to work the booth. Further information and details on the IA Show may be found at: www.irrigation.org/irrigationshow

We hope to see all of you in November in Austin!

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2013 IRRIGATION SHOW & EDUCATION CONFERENCE

IRRIGATION SHOW—NOV. 6-7 • EDUCATION CONFERENCE—NOV. 4-8
AUSTIN CONVENTION CENTER—AUSTIN, TEXAS



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First Winner of NBC's "The Voice" to Headline Irrigation Show Opening Night Party

FALLS CHURCH, VA. (Aug. 29, 2013) — Javier [Colon](#), winner of the inaugural season of NBC's reality talent show "The Voice," will perform during the Celebrate Texas! Opening Night Party, at the [Irrigation Show and Education Conference](#), Nov. 5, 7:30 p.m. - 10:00 p.m.

Singer-songwriter [Colon](#) captivated American audiences early on in the competition with his soulful, acoustic covers of chart-topping hits from legendary artists such as Ben E. King, Fleetwood Mac, Michael Jackson and the Beatles. After performing a duet with Stevie Nicks during the finale, Colon was named the first-ever winner of "The Voice" and received \$100,000 and a recording contract with Universal Republic Records.



[Colon](#) has performed on "The Tonight Show With Jay Leno" and has collaborated with several Grammy Award winning artists, including Maroon 5, Colbie Caillat and Joss Stone. Since his victory in 2011, Colon has released a solo album, "Come Through For You," and continues to tour and perform throughout the United States.

Hors d'oeuvres will be served from 7:30 p.m. until Colon takes the stage at 8:30 p.m. The Celebrate Texas! event is open to all attendees with [full registration](#).



Baseball Legend Nolan Ryan Will Deliver Keynote Address at Irrigation Show Chuck Morgan to Moderate Question & Answer Session

FALLS CHURCH, VA. (Aug. 28, 2013) — Baseball hall of famer Nolan Ryan and Austin's hometown hero will deliver the keynote address and host a question-and-answer period during the General Session at the upcoming [Irrigation Show and Education Conference](#), Nov. 4 - 8, in Austin, Texas.

With an unparalleled 27-season [career](#) (1966 - 1993) and several notable Major League records to his name, Nolan Ryan is no stranger to hard work and dedication — he boasts seven career no-hitters, 5,714 strikeouts and 12 one-hitters. After hanging up his glove in 1993, Ryan went on to own two minor league baseball teams and is now CEO of the Texas Rangers, where his influence on baseball operations has helped lead to three consecutive post-season appearances.

In his keynote address, Ryan will discuss how to take care of the customer. Ryan's strong commitment to customer satisfaction has played a key role in the success of his many business ventures. Since his arrival to the Rangers in 2010, the franchise has recommitted itself to enhancing the fan experience, establishing single season home attendance records in each of the last two years and surpassing the 3-million attendance mark for the first time in franchise history in 2012.

"I am incredibly excited to have Nolan Ryan as our keynote for the General Session in Austin, Texas," said Irrigation Association President Bob Dobson, CIC, CID, of Middletown [Sprinkler](#) Company. "Nolan Ryan is a nationally known personality and businessman who has a special connection with the folks in Texas. We are pleased to be able to have such a legend on our stage."

Chuck Morgan, public address announcer and senior vice president of ballpark entertainment for the Texas Rangers Baseball Club, will share the stage to moderate the Q&A portion of the address. Morgan has worked in professional baseball for over 30 years and was named the best public address announcer in Major League Baseball by *The Sporting News* in 2001 and 2003.

Open to all [registered](#) attendees, the General Session will take place Thursday, Nov. 7, 8:45 a.m. - 10:45 a.m. Doors open at 8:00 a.m. for a kick-off continental breakfast.



**Texas Agricultural Irrigation Association
Annual Membership Meeting and Banquet**

In conjunction with the IA Show

Austin, Texas

Wednesday November 6, 2013

The banquet and meeting will be held at the Old Pecan Street Café, 504 Trinity Street at 7:00 pm with a social hour (cash bar) beginning at 6:00 pm. Following a meal with Steak/Chicken entrée, the guest speaker will be Representative Charles Perry of the Texas Legislature.

Business to be conducted during the meeting includes election of officers and three members to the Board of Directors for 2014, along with appointment of various committees and recognition of outgoing President, Layne Hardesty, Equipment Supply Co of Lubbock.

Current TAIA members will soon be receiving an electronic invitation as well as a mailed invitation to the meeting and banquet. Be looking for these and plan to join us the evening of November 6th!



**High Plains Irrigation
Conference and Trade
Show**

**Amarillo Civic Center
January 16, 2014**

**TEXAS A&M
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EXTENSION**

TAIA and Texas Agrilife announce their 2014 High Plains Irrigation Conference and Trade Show, Thursday, January 16, 8:30 am to 4:30 pm. Registration is \$30 at the door and includes lunch and breaks. Topics to be covered include: Trends in Agricultural Irrigation, Crop Insurance Factors Affecting Irrigation Decisions, Limited Irrigation Inputs, Pumps and Wells, Irrigation Management and more. CEUs will be provided for pesticide applicators and Certified Crop Consultants as well as documentation for IA certified CID and CAIS for self-certification. County Agents will receive professional development hours for participation. For additional information regarding the conference contact Dana Porter at 806 746-4022.

Exhibit spaces are available for the Trade Show at \$275 for TAIA members and \$325 for non-members. Spaces are 10' x 10' and include a table, two chairs, and two lunch tickets. Wi-Fi service is available in the Civic Center. Contact Kern Stutler for information regarding the trade show at 806 786-5644. Additional information as well as agreement forms are also available on the website: taia@taia.org.

We look forward to seeing you in Amarillo in January, 2014!

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