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# News & Views *from* OWWA

May 2011

## From Your President

Spring is here! I hope you all had a nice Easter and got to spend time with family and friends. The Association's Board has been busy. Convention plans are almost done. Plan now to attend on **11-11-11** at the Shrine Center in Columbus, Ohio near Easton.

New Private Water System rules are in place. I have been receiving calls from members over definition of some of the rules. I urge the District Presidents and members to discuss these new rules at your local District meetings. Several resources are available through the Ohio Department of Health to help.

A Geothermal Regulation Workgroup, made up of the Ohio Department of Health, the Ohio Department of Natural Resources, the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency, the Association of Ohio Health Commissioners, the National Drilling Contractors Association, and members of the Ohio Water Well Association are



working to bring recommendations for regulations to cover geothermal systems. The goal is to have these new rules incorporated into the existing Private Water System program. Their recommendations are almost complete and will be made available to the membership for review.

President, Tom Reasoner



**Executive Director's Corner by Bob Pope:**

# **OWWA LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE COMPLETES SUCCESSFUL ODH RULEMAKING PROCESS**

The Legislative Committee of the Ohio Water Well Association successfully completed a long overdue rule review with the Ohio Department of Health on the Private Water Systems Rules. The new rules, now in effect, represent significant industry gains toward a more clear and flexible set of rules which govern our industry.

OWWA was represented in the workgroup by Legislative Committee Chairman, Brandon Mantel, OWWA Past President, Dave Yeager, and OWWA President, Tom Reasoner. Staff support was given by Valerie Dahlberg. Each member gave many, many hours away from their businesses to travel to Columbus to represent the association in these matters. The outcome is a testament to their devotion to the process and to the industry.

This rulemaking process was years overdue and many were skeptical that the process would be completed in a timely way. The workgroup however never waived and were able to make many meaningful changes that the industry had been calling for in meeting after meeting.

Now that the new rules are in place and the training by ODH complete, let us not forget the time and effort that went into developing our very cooperative working relationship with ODH, the work of the rule revision group, and the dedication of your association to improving the industry as a whole.

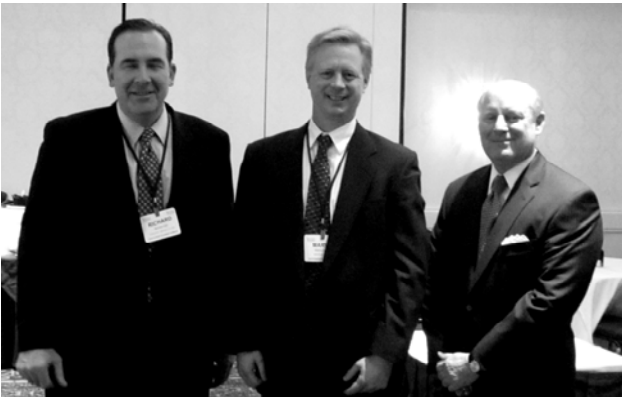
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**11-11-11**  
**OWWA**  
**ANNUAL**  
**CONVENTION**  
**& TRADESHOW**

**Aladdin Shrine Center**  
**Columbus, Ohio**

## **SUCCESSION PLANNING SEMINAR ONE OF THE BEST**

The Association's Succession Planning Seminar held March 31<sup>st</sup> was very informative, and presented in a new unique style.



Representatives from the Legal Firm of Dunlevey, Mahan and Furry; CPA Firm of Kentener Sellers gave a detailed presentation on all aspects of Succession Planning. The unique aspect of this seminar is that in the afternoon, participants could schedule private sessions with any or all of the speakers to discuss their own particular circumstance and get their questions answered.

The response was good and we plan to offer this seminar on an annual basis.



# HR MANAGERS MEETING



## HOW DO WAGE AND HOUR LAWS AFFECT YOUR BUSINESS?

Under what circumstances can you employ someone under 18? Do you need to make any changes because of changes in the law? Can you make deductions from an employee's wages if he is careless and damages something? Do you have to give breaks? Do you have to pay for them? What if an employee works overtime without your permission? When do you have to pay a terminated employee? Can you hold pay until he returns company property? When do you have to pay travel time? Get the answers to these and other wage and hour questions in this fast paced and informative presentation by Steve Watring, a partner at Dunlevey, Mahan & Furry.

*Wednesday, June 8, 2011 8:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.  
Dayton Racquet Club, Kettering Tower., Dayton*

**OR VIA THE INTERNET AS A WEBINAR**

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#### This Session Is Sponsored By:

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# OWWA SUBMITS COMMENTS TO OHIO EPA ON RULEMAKING REVIEW

**The following comments were submitted to the Ohio EPA earlier this month:**

In response to the State of Ohio Environmental Protection Agency's request for comment on draft rules, the Ohio Water Well Association would like to submit the following comments on the draft amendments:

**Section 3745-9-05**      *(B)(2) (e) – Delete*  
*(B)(2) (f) – Delete*  
*(B)(2)(h)(vii) - Delete*  
*(K) – Delete*

The ANSI/NSF 61 certified pipe/packers/shale baskets referenced in these sections are not available or produced. The references to these materials should be eliminated. We have attached documentation from Global Drilling Suppliers, Inc. that provides additional information.\*

**Section 3745-9-10**      *(C) (3) – Edit language*  
*(C)(3) (a) - Delete*

Recommended language change: *Where evidence of microbiological growth is present, the well will be brushed to loosen debris and then air lifted or bailed out and then sealed.*

In both sections, references to disinfecting a dry hole by adding a disinfectant will have a deteriorating chemical reaction with the bentonite, which could lead to a failure.

**Section 3745-83-01**      *(F)(2) – Edit Language*

Recommendations: Allow community systems with only one entry point to the distribution system serving under 250 people to test chlorine residuals at the entry point a minimum of 2 times per week. Continue to require daily chlorine residuals at a representative point or points in the distribution system.

The current monitoring requirements for ground water community systems do not consider the financial burdens for small systems under 250 where operating personnel are not full time staff. Many smaller systems find a volunteer resident to take the daily chlorine residual in the distribution system, often at their own residence. The current language that requires such a public water system “*monitor for free or combined chlorine at least once every day that water is available to the public at each entry point to the distribution system*” does not consider that smaller systems with only one “entry point” which will find that the distribution system represents the representative sample for the whole water system.

Requiring small community water systems with no full time staff to have a professional go to the pump house to test for the daily entry sample would cause great financial burdens for those small communities. Relying on volunteers, especially in communities with exclusively elderly people, may not allow for safely taking the daily entry samples. Further, for security reasons, many small community systems secure the pump house where only the licensed operator gains access.

Under our recommendation, the licensed EPA Operators, who are already hired by most of the small systems to visit 2 times per week for Class A systems, could easily and affordably take the samples to keep the systems in compliance and secure.

The Ohio Water Well Association would be glad to provide any ongoing guidance to your agency as you progress with this rulemaking process. Feel free to contact me, or our Legislative Committee Chairman, Brandon Mantel of Donamarc Water Systems, if you have any questions regarding our comments or require additional information.

*\*These documents are available for OWWA Members also. Just contact the OWWA Office to receive your copy.*

# OWWA BOARD MAINTAINS CLOSE WORKING RELATIONSHIPS WITH ALL STATE AGENCIES THAT IMPACT OUR INDUSTRY



The OWWA Board of Directors held their Board Meeting on May 18<sup>th</sup> in Sunbury that included agency reports that were given by representatives from the Ohio Health Department, the Ohio Department of Natural Resources, and the Ohio EPA.

This regular opportunity for agency interaction demonstrates the close working relationship established over many years that OWWA has developed with all three of these agencies.

OWWA is proud of the excellent work it accomplished in representing the membership's interest with the State of Ohio. Few trade associations can make the claim that they have direct access and cooperation with all of the agencies that impact their industry. This is a fundamental value that OWWA provides for its members.

A special thank you goes to Rebecca Fugitt, RS MS Program Administrator Residential Water and Wastewater Program Ohio Department of Health; Jim Rabb, Ohio Department of Natural Resources Division of Soil and Water Resources; Michael Eggert, Ohio EPA Division of Drinking and Ground Waters; and Susan Hampton, Ohio EPA/Division of Drinking and Ground Waters for taking time to meet in conjunction with the OWWA Board of Directors Meetings and being so responsive to industry concerns.

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One Classified Ad per year will be FREE to Members. Additional Classified Ads can be placed for \$.60 per line per issue.

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# IN MEMORIAM

**Joseph R. Neurohr, 60, of Greensburg, died Saturday, April 9, 2011, peacefully surrounded by his family and loved ones, in UPMC Shadyside.**

Born April 9, 1951, in Latrobe, he was a son of the late Lawrence William and Frances Jane (Best) Neurohr. Joseph was employed as a territorial manager for ITT Industries. He was a 1969 graduate of Greensburg Salem High School and graduated from St. Vincent College in 1974. He was preceded in death by his parents.

He is survived by his wife, Mary Kay Raneri Neurohr; four children, Katie Aretta and husband, Chris, of New Stanton, Kristi Rose and husband, Justin, of Palm Harbor, Florida., and Joe and Jeff Neurohr, of Greensburg; four grandchildren, Olivia and Tyler Aretta, and Natalie and Nathan Rose; six brothers, L. William Jr. and wife, Pat, and Robert M. and wife, Linda, all of Greensburg, James R. and wife, Lisa, of Alexandria, Virginia, John B. and wife, Amy, of Mechanicsburg, David and Christopher T. and wife, Karen, all of Greensburg; six sisters, Janie, of Reston, Virginia, Mary Lou Ruffin and husband, Bill, of Alpharetta, Georgia, Kathleen A. and Marsha V., both of Greensburg, Nancy M., of Pittsburgh, and Barbara E. Spillar and husband, David, of Greensburg; in-laws, Joe and Helen Raneri; five sisters-in-law, Fran Dott and husband, Jim, and Joyce Casagrande and husband, Rich, all of Greensburg, Rose Marie Moffa and husband, David, and Sandy DeFrancesco and husband, Charlie, all of Latrobe, and Jennine Raneri, of Greensburg; several nieces and nephews; and his beloved dog, Buddy.

Donations may be made in memory of Joseph to Family House, 5301 Fifth Ave., Pittsburgh, PA 15232.

**Verl D. Wilson, 72, of Camden, Ohio, died Sunday, April 3, 2011, in Dayton, Ohio.**

He was born Sept. 3, 1938, to Roy and Lena (Patrick) Wilson. He was a graduate of West Elkton (Ohio) High School and a U.S. Army veteran. He was owner of Wilson Well Drilling for 50-plus years. He bought his business from Elmer Miller in 1960. As well as the well drilling, he was an excavator and farmer and lived at his current location for the past 40 years. He was a member of the Ohio Valley Arabian Horse Association and is Past President of the Preble County chapter of the Ohio Horsemen's Council. He was also a member of the Masonic Lodge in Camden.

He is survived by his wife of 52 years, Mary Jo Wilson; four children, James (Angela) Wilson of West Elkton, Sheila Wilson and Larry Ratcliff of Germantown, Ohio, Edward (Pam) Wilson of Camden, and Tyra (John) Christensen of Hobe Sound, Florida; 10 grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents; a brother, Wendell Wilson; and sisters, Wilma Johnson and Betty Trainer Lewis.

Donations may be made to Heavenly Highway Tabernacle Church, 5990 Michael Road, Middletown, Ohio.

# GEOTHERMAL WORKGROUP COMPLETES COMMENTS ON DRAFT REGULATORY RECOMMENDATIONS

A joint workgroup comprised of the Ohio EPA, Ohio Dept. of Health, Ohio Dept. of Natural Resources, local health districts, and OWWA Members have completed review of a draft document that will recommend both the construction practices and the regulation of geothermal systems in Ohio.

The workgroup has spent months doing conference calls and meetings to pull together all the necessary data on current regulation and construction practices. They have also listened closely to the industry to compile a flexible, yet sound, document that lays out in detail the recommended design, construction, and maintenance of geothermal systems

In addition to the technical document that focuses on the practical aspects of design and installation, the work group has also created a companion document that addresses the need for state regulation of geothermal systems. With no current guidelines for locating, permitting, or contractor registration the systems currently being installed may be endangering existing water wells, septic systems, and ultimately Ohio's groundwater resources. The renewed interest in such systems is propelling this danger exponentially. The drafts will be available to the association this summer for their review.

Ohio Water Well Association is proud to be representing the industry on this issue to ensure the new regulations take a balanced approach by allowing the industry the flexibility it needs to thrive and grow in this expanding segment of our market, while continuing our association's legacy of protecting Ohio's groundwater resources for the future.

## BWC Plans Expansion of Safety Council Program

BWC Administrator/CEO Stephen Buehrer announced the continuation and proposed expansion of the Safety Council Rebate Incentive Program. Buehrer's proposal includes revising program requirements to provide an additional opportunity to reduce overall premium costs for nearly 100,000 more Ohio employers.

"We know that those employers who are most active in taking control of their safety programs are the most successful in preventing claims and managing workers' compensation costs," Buehrer told 1,400 Ohio employers and safety professionals attending the 81<sup>st</sup> Ohio Safety Congress & Expo. "I believe good safety programming ought to be good for all employers across the state."

Under the proposal, the program will not only continue, but also will be expanded to allow group-rated employers to participate in safety councils and earn a 2 percent performance rebate for demonstrating improvements in workplace safety. This would be in addition to receiving their group rating discount.

Buehrer will soon present the proposal to the BWC Board of Directors for their consideration.

Visit [ohiobwc.com](http://ohiobwc.com) for more information about the Safety Council Program.

### Safety Resource Corner

#### Ohio BWC Division of Safety & Hygiene

1-800-OHIOBWC (1-800-644-6292)

[www.ohiobwc.com](http://www.ohiobwc.com)

Access to safety information and safety training classes through the BWC Learning Center.

#### RiskControl360

Risk & Safety Management Services

1-877- 360-3608

Fax: (614) 827-0361

[www.riskcontrol360.com](http://www.riskcontrol360.com)

Links to industry specific safety training webinars and on-line training. These classes are BWC approved for group rated employers requiring two hours of safety training because they have had a claim in the past two years.

#### CareWorks Consultants, Inc. (CCI)

Claims management & group rating services

1-800-837-3200

[www.careworksconsultants.com](http://www.careworksconsultants.com)

Links to on-line safety training and seminars to assist all employers including those needing 2 hours of safety training.

# OHIO WATER WELL ASSOCIATION CONVENTION & TRADE SHOW

11-11-11 • ALADDIN SHRINE CENTER, COLUMBUS, OHIO

## Manufacturer/Supplier Registration Form



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### EXHIBIT OPTIONS:

Booth Display: \$425.00 *Includes name in promotional materials, program, and newsletter, one 10x10 booth with back and side drapes, one 6' draped table, two chairs, wastebasket, and one-line sign, two exhibitor registrations, which includes breakfast, entrance to any sessions, Awards Luncheon, and the reception*  
 Booth Number - 1st Choice \_\_\_\_\_  
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Text For One-Line Sign: \_\_\_\_\_

Outdoor Display Area: \$425.00 *Includes name in promotional materials, program, and newsletter, 4 parking spaces in reserved outdoor parking section for large equipment display, and two exhibitor registrations, which includes breakfast, entrance to any sessions, luncheon, and reception*

**Exhibit Subtotal: \$** \_\_\_\_\_

### PROMOTION OPTIONS:

Advertising in Program: \$200.00 Back Cover \$150.00 Inside Front Cover  
 (7"x10") \$150.00 Inside Back Cvr \$100.00 Full Page, Run of Program

### Sponsorship Opportunities:

Cash Prize Sponsor \$250.00 *Includes name in promotional materials, program, and event signage. Prizes to be given during the educational seminars and at the reception*

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 Nametag Sponsor \$200.00 Reception Sponsor \$500.00  
 Seminar Break Sponsor \$200.00 Seminar Handout Sponsor \$200.00

*Conference sponsorships include event signage, name in promotional materials, program, & newsletter*

**Promotional Subtotal: \$** \_\_\_\_\_

### ADDITIONAL REGISTRATION INFO:

Tabletops and Outdoor Displays include two (2) registrations for the Convention.  
 If you have additional registrants listed below, add **Registration Fees @ \$40.00/ea.**

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**Non-Exhibiting or Sponsoring Manufacturer or Supplier** Members are \$450.00 each

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# PUCO Rescinds Administrative Rules Applying to Private Commercial Motor Carriers

COLUMBUS, OHIO (March 16, 2011) – The Public Utilities Commission of Ohio (PUCO) today rescinded administrative rules applying to private commercial motor vehicles with a gross vehicle weight (GVW) between 10,001 and 26,000 pounds operating in intrastate commerce.

“The PUCO has received feedback from numerous interested parties, including lawmakers and industry members, that these rules deserve additional review,” said PUCO Chairman Todd A. Snitchler. “It is important for the PUCO to operate at the speed of business and implement regulations that promote safety while at the same time allow businesses to compete and operate efficiently. Today’s decision is a step in that direction.”

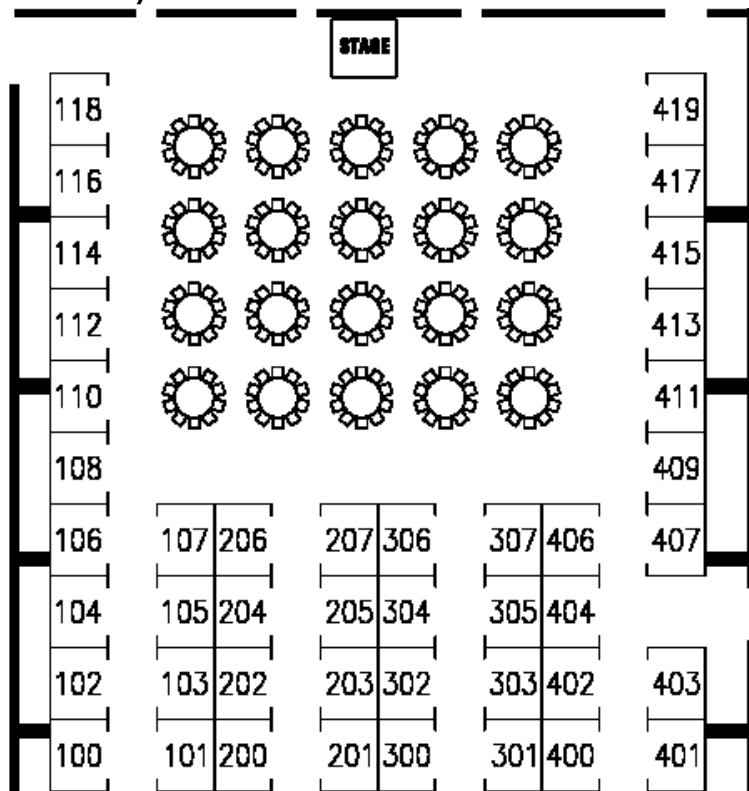
In 2008, the Commission approved amendments to Ohio’s motor carrier safety rules that applied PUCO jurisdiction to private commercial motor vehicles with a GVW between 10,001 and 26,000 pounds that transport property or passengers on a not-for-hire basis within Ohio. The Commission later delayed active enforcement of the rules until 2012 while it conducted an outreach program to further educate affected carriers.

The PUCO hosted a series of listening sessions across Ohio this winter to gather input from affected carriers about the operational and financial costs of compliance with the rules. Based on feedback from interested parties, the Commission finds it prudent to rescind the rules while changes to the rules are considered. As a result, roadside educational stops for these affected carriers will no longer take place.

The Commission directed PUCO staff to file a report within 90 days containing an analysis and recommendations for possible future rule amendments. In preparing the report, staff will take into account Gov. John Kasich’s Executive Order 2011-01K “Establishing the Common Sense Initiative,” which accounts for the impact a rule has on small businesses.

*The Public Utilities Commission of Ohio (PUCO) is the sole agency charged with regulating public utility service. The role of the PUCO is to assure all residential, business, and industrial consumers have access to adequate, safe, and reliable utility services at fair prices while facilitating an environment that provides competitive choices. Consumers with utility-related questions or concerns can call the PUCO hotline at (800) 686-PUCO (7826) and speak with a representative.*

**Don’t miss your chance at the Ohio Water Well Association Trade Show!** This show features a concise one-day format to help make it



a more beneficial and efficient event for **all** OWWA Members. We also have some great opportunities for your business to create just the right presence at this critical Ohio event. We are expecting a capacity crowd as a result more diverse and dynamic education sessions including the unveiling of the first Ohio Geothermal Regulation process and several new technical sessions. So please take a look at the many flexible options available and develop an investment and level of Association support that fits into your company’s goals and budget!

We make exhibiting easy! Simply choose a booth from the layout below, fill in the registration form to the left and you’re in! An exhibitor packet will come to you in the mail directly from our world-class decorating firm, George E. Fern Company. This packet will provide you with information on renting electrical equipment, extra furniture, and the like.

Our 10x10 booths come already outfitted with back and side drapes, two chairs, one six foot draped table, a wastebasket, a one-line sign, and two full exhibitor registrations, all included in your regular exhibitor fees!

As in years past, non-exhibiting manufacturer and distributor representatives who wish to attend the Trade Show **MUST** register and pay fees to do so. Please fill out the form at the right to receive your admission onto the trade show floor.

If you have any questions or would like any additional information about the show, you can contact Rachel Pinkus at 888-294-0084 or drop us a line at [owwa@assnsoffice.com](mailto:owwa@assnsoffice.com)!

# Ohio Water Well Association

## MEMBER BENEFITS!

### INDUSTRY ADVOCACY:

The OWWA is THE voice for the Water Well and Geothermal Industry in Columbus through the Ohio General Assembly and State Agencies, and across the state with Local Health Districts. We work with the Ohio Department of Health, Ohio Department of Natural Resources and the Ohio EPA regularly and are partners with the Association of Ohio Health Commissioners and the Ohio Environmental Health Association to work cooperatively on rulemaking, education, and advocacy for not only the business interests of our members, but for the protection of Ohio's ground-water resources and their responsible management and preservation.

### LIABILITY INSURANCE PROGRAM:

Specialized to the Water Well Industry, The DeHayes Group provides coverage that is tailored to the Well Drilling Industry including: voluntary flow breakout containment cost coverage; voluntary property damage resulting from a flow breakout coverage; contractors equipment loss earnings coverage; coverage for drilling equipment while underground; equipment recovery expense; limited pollution coverage; and contractors equipment rental reimbursement. You can save up to 50% on your business insurance premiums, just for being a member of the OWWA!

### HEALTH INSURANCE PLAN:

Larger groups get lower rates! This basic rule of health insurance can make it difficult for small employers to find affordable coverage. One solution is to combine their collective buying power and buy insurance coverage for all of their employees. Small groups can do this by forming a "Health Care Alliance". The OWWA has joined the **Construction Industry Alliance**, administered by CCI Benefit Solutions to offer competitive and creative health care programs for our members too.

### LEGAL SERVICES PLAN:

This plan provides members with the ability to get back their investment in dues many times over. Every OWWA Member is entitled to six free telephone consultations per year with Bob Dunlevey of Dunlevey, Mahan, and Furry. This firm specializes in Labor Law, OSHA, and Construction Contract Law. If additional help is needed, OWWA members also enjoy preferred member pricing with the firm.

### WORKERS' COMPENSATION GROUP PLAN:

A Workers' Compensation Group Rating Program is administered by The Frank Gates Company. By participating in our group, your company can save on your Workers' Compensation premium payment to the state. This is an extremely important discount program that is offered through the OWWA, which will certainly impact your company's bottom-line.

### BI-MONTHLY NEWSLETTER:

Keep up with all of the latest drilling news and events in Ohio with our bi-monthly newsletter. We feature breaking news in Ohio on our partner state agencies, the ODH, ODNR, and OEPA. This newsletter also has timely information on upcoming educational seminars, District Meetings, and industry events to keep you in touch with what is happening in your industry.

### WEBSITE:

The OWWA website works for you in two ways: First it is a resource for you to get OWWA information and registration forms. Secondly it is an opportunity to market your company name and contact information to consumers across the state. Use your membership in OWWA to reassure your customers that they are choosing a quality contractor for their next project, and help them find you more easily with our interactive referral map!

### FARM SCIENCE REVIEW:

Each year the OWWA educates consumers and agriculturally related businesses about the association, its members, and the importance of ground water conservation. With our functioning on-site well and member promotion we help you spread the word about professionalism in the well drilling industry and the importance of using a registered driller for maintenance and new construction.

### FULL TIME ASSOCIATION STAFF:

OWWA Members receive the service of a full time staff; ready to give direct answers to your questions or to find the

# ABOUT OWWA

The Ohio Water Well Association had its beginnings in the 1930's. OWWA, a non-profit trade association, is dedicated to promoting the wise use and protection of Ohio's ground water resources for present and future generations.

OWWA and its members cooperate with state regulatory bodies in the collection and dissemination of ground water data and in assuring that all water well systems are completed properly and professionally, meeting all current codes of construction to protect both the owner and the environment.

Members of OWWA include water well drillers, pump installers, geothermal system contractors, manufacturers and suppliers of water system and geothermal products, geologists, engineers, regulators and others interested in the development and protection of Ohio's ground water resources.

OWWA is an affiliate of the National Ground Water Association and supports the work of the American Ground Water Trust .



## BECOME A MEMBER! Membership Application

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**INDIVIDUAL OWNER CONTRACTOR (Drilling or Pump Company).....\$135**

Your name \_\_\_\_\_

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Your name \_\_\_\_\_

Additional members from your firm:

Name \_\_\_\_\_ 2. Name \_\_\_\_\_

**MANUFACTURER OR SUPPLIER (yourself and up to 2 other members of your firm).....\$165**

Your name \_\_\_\_\_

Additional members from your firm:

Name \_\_\_\_\_ 2. Name \_\_\_\_\_

**ASSOCIATE..... \$75 (Available only to persons who do not qualify for categories above.)**

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