

Good morning IWUA Members & Friends!

It was very nice to see most of you at our Annual Convention. This ice is snow joke. Stay safe out there! -IWUA Team

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Workshop Registration

IWUA Ditchrider Workshops

Register for Idaho Falls (February 13)

Register for Rupert (February 14)

<u>Register for Nampa (February 15)</u>

IWUA Applicator Workshops

Register for Rupert (February 27)

<u>Register for Twin Falls (February 28)</u>

Register for Nampa (February 29)

CHECK OUT THIS WEEK'S ASSOCIATION UPDATES

IWUA's 87th Annual Convention Recap

Thank you to our speakers, sponsors and attendees who helped make IWUA's 87th Annual Convention the best yet. We continue to be humbled by the support of our members. NEW IWUA 2024 Leadership and Committee Membership

We have a few new members to IWUA's Executive Committee, Board of Directors and committees.

Congratulations to Ron Platt who was elected as IWUA's new President.

Thanks to Dan Davidson who completed his term as IWUA Past-President.

Welcome Aaron Dalling, IWUA's new 2nd Vice President.

You can see IWUA's new leadership and committee members here.

A heartfelt thank you to Randy Brown for his exemplary service as President of the Idaho Water Users from 2022-2023.

Congratulations to our 2024 award winners – including Ron Platt, who received the Ted Diehl Award for Meritorious Service.



Below are some updates from the Convention.

Here are the presentations from the Convention.

We had an internet glitch during the committee updates at the convention. Here are the items Jay Barlogi, chair of the Rural & Urban Affairs Committee, wanted to share:

#wateryoudoing with Barney Metz and Lewiston Orchards Irrigation District

Ditch Smart video on dumping in ditches

Don't forget to check out IWUA's Realtor & Homeowners Resource Webpage. This is a resource to help realtors and homeowners in your communities understand land, water and easements. You will find infographics, videos, pamphlets and other information on these vital topics. Please share with your local realtors, homeowners, and others.

Realtor & Homeowners Resource Webpage

During the Convention, we were able to hear from Chris Flavelle, a reporter for the New York Times. Chris discussed a recent series of articles discussing ground water challenges in the west. Below are links to 5 articles from that series (please note that these links will expire on February 1.

America is Using up its Groundwater Like There's No Tomorrow

How America's Diet is Feeding the Groundwater Crisis

Strawberry Case Study: What if Famers Had to Pay for Water?

A Tangle of Rules to Protect America's Water is Falling Short

As Groundwater Dwindles, Power Players Block Change

You can view the 2024 Resolutions here.

At each Convention, it is our honor to celebrate the lives of those water champions who passed away during the prior year. This year, we celebrated the lives of 7 friends who left us too soon. Please note, we were mortified to realize that we failed to prepare a Memorial Resolution for Del Raybould, who passed away in March 2023. We have added a Memorial Resolution for Del to this document.

You can review the Memorial Resolutions here.

Thank you to everyone who attended our Annual Convention. Please take a moment to fill out the survey below. We greatly appreciate your feedback. Please fill out the critique sheet here.

A special thank you to our Convention sponsors and to Karen Edwards. You all helped make our event a huge success.

The Week Ahead at IWUA 2024 Legislative Session Continues Headgate Class #3 (including graduation) L.I.N.E. Commission Meeting Tri State Meeting (Portland)

Check out IWUA's biggest social media moment of the week!

Recently on Facebook, Instagram & Twitter:

Today kicks off the 87th Annual Convention. We are looking forward to seeing all of you here at The Riverside Hotel.









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Have a Job Position Needing to Be Filled?

We will happily post your job opening to IWUA's website, please email us at iwua@iwua.org.

Industry Job Postings

IWUA Website