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On The Cover...Mr. George J. Bogs is presented the Gold Water Drop Award by Katie McCain, AWWA President Elect, at the Alabama/Mississippi Section annual meeting at Biloxi, Mississippi (see page 20 for more info).
The Chair's report

A FUTURE OF CHANGE

I want to thank Ken and Shirley McClellan and the whole planning team for a wonderful, fun, yet learning experience at this year's conference. It will be a challenge to continue with his work. I also want to thank the Section members for the opportunity to serve as your Chair this year.

We are moving into a future of change. Post 9-11 has infused a new dynamic into our industry. While we have all been concerned with security previously, we must now move our concern to a higher level. We cannot be lulled into thinking terrorism only happens in New York and Washington DC. We need to acquire new knowledge and skills to cope with protecting our systems and customers. To assist utilities AWWA national will provide a series of mini RAM-W seminars across the country. This joint EPA, American Water Works Association Research Foundation and Association of Metropolitan Water Agencies vulnerability assessment tool will help you meet requirements of the Bioterrorism Bill. The Section is currently working on having one in Birmingham February 3 - 4, 2004. We will offer several topics at the 2004 Conference to assist utilities in the area of security as well.

We wish to continue providing educational opportunities for our members. This year we will sponsor more Teleconferences from AWWA. We are also working to build relationships with the Mississippi Water Pollution Control Operators Association and the Alabama and Mississippi Sections of the Rural Water Association. Collaboration between our associations can only improve us all.

On other regulatory fronts we are faced with a future of change from a number of new tougher regulations on the horizon. Some of these regulations not only impact water producers but their wholesale customers or so called “consecutive systems”, many of which will be caught unaware of the regulatory requirements. In 1975 EPA required the monitoring of about 25 contaminates in drinking water. In 2000 that number was at 110. As we learn more about these contaminates the regulatory requirements for lowering their levels in drinking water gets tougher. Educating our members on what lies ahead is our mission.

The Alabama/Mississippi Section of AWWA must continue providing information and direction for our members, but at higher levels. To help the Section with a future of change of this magnitude I’m please to announce we have hired a section manager, Mr. Ken McCool. Many of you have known Ken for years and he has served the Section in many positions including Chair. He is also a past Fuller Award recipient. A committee of Trustees worked to solicit proposals and evaluate candidates for this position. Ken’s vision of where the Section needs to move was in sync with our mission. The committee unanimously recommended Ken to the Trustees and they unanimously voted to hire him. Ken will be a great asset to the members of the Section.

Randy Chafin
Congratulations to Ken, Shirley and their team on a fantastic convention. A new attendance record for Mississippi was set along with a couple of Alabama/Mississippi firsts.

Katie McCain takes office in June as the first lady to be elected President of AWWA, and were glad to have Katie and husband Mike as our guests.

Ken McCool, who has held most positions in our section, has become the first paid staff Alabama/Mississippi Section AWWA has employed. Ken brings a wealth of knowledge and a great vision for our section. Please give Ken your support and suggestions.

In January I will be attending the Directors’ mid-Winter conference. If you have any comments, questions or concerns, please contact me so that I may take any issues before the Board of Directors.

New officers will be taking office over the next few months. So, if called upon by Randy Chafin, Chair; Chuck Lott, Vice Chair; Blake Jeffcoat, Director; Hunter Arnold, Secretary-Treasurer; Jim Miller, AL Trustee; Lee Jones, MS Trustee; please accept the task at hand, you will definitely enjoy the job!

Denson Robinson

Katie McCain, AWWA President Elect, and husband, Mike McCain
2004
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The meeting convened at 11:33 a.m. at the Beau Rivage in Biloxi, Mississippi.

Ken McClellan, Section Chair, called the business meeting to order. A motion was made and seconded to dispense from the reading of the business meeting minutes from 2002. The motion was passed unanimously. The Chair asked for a report from the following chairs:

Denson Robinson, Director, encouraged the members to take advantage of the many services that AWWA has to offer. Denson reported that there is technical information that is suitable to systems of all sizes.

Denson reported that we have seen a slight increase in the AWWA memberships in 2003.

Randy Chafin, Audit, reported that a financial review of the Section was conducted on August 27, 2003 in Meridian, Mississippi. The audit committee members in attendance were Ken McClellan, Randy Chafin, and Chuck Lott. The period from which the audit was conducted extended from September 1, 2002 through July 31, 2003. The beginning balance as of September 1, 2002 was $24,822.74. There were deposits of $152,058.81 and disbursements of $140,088.02. The ending balance was $36,793.53. A 7-day renewable certificate of deposit valued at $193,086.87 brought
the total asset value to $229,880.40. The audit included a random selection and examination of some of the individual disbursements and income figures. The audit committee’s findings were that the Section’s financial records were in order and all disbursements were accounted for. A copy of the audit report is attached to the minutes.

Tom Walters, Secretary-Treasurer, reported on the financial condition of the Section. The Section is in good financial shape. The beginning balance as of October 1, 2002 was $80,445.01. Through September 30, 2003 the Section has had receipts of $173,104.71 and disbursements of $182,353.21 for an ending balance of $71,196.51 as of September 30, 2003. The Section has a 7-day renewable certificate-of-deposit that is valued at $193,336.97 as of September 30, 2003. Therefore, the total assets of the Section as of September 30, 2003 were reported as $264,533.48. During the year the Section paid for three scholarships valued at $1,500, each.

Bill Moody, Program Chair, reported that there was an adjustment in the CEU credits value by the State of Mississippi for the entire conference. The adjusted MS CEU credit total is 12 hours. Bill also reported that the sessions on the MS Update, the AL Update, the talk by the EPA representative, the talk by Larry Murphree on MS Water System Security would all count as Mississippi Regulatory credit. Bill reported that we had a variety of technical sessions this year. He also mentioned that a questionnaire will be distributed to get feedback on the technical sessions and on the exhibits.

Ken McCool, Entertainment, reported that we will have a show band at the banquet on Tuesday night. Also, one of our members, Chris Gill, will be performing at our “Meet and Greets” on Monday and Tuesday evenings.

Danny Hutcherson, Exhibits, reported that we had 48 paid exhibitors and 1 complimentary exhibitor.
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This year’s Fuller Award goes to a true southern gentleman, Denson Robinson. He’s soft-spoken because his bearing commands respect.

Not unlike many of his fellow section members he is devoted to his wife and family and is quite active in his church. His athletic ability has been passed on to his children and he has coached most of their team sports. He has adopted golf as a sport he has come to regard with pleasure, although he says he’s “no good at it”! His two children have been his inspiration … his wife, his strength.

Denson has also been extremely active in his community, a lovely, historic town of his birth. He has served as a volunteer firefighter in that community for nearly a quarter-century and has been nationally registered as an Emergency Medical Technician for almost the same length of time. He holds a Mississippi Class ‘C’ Water Works Operator’s license and a Class ‘II’ Wastewater license.

His natural leadership style has helped your section remain vibrant and responsive to the needs of its membership having served as past chair, director and chairing numerous committees.

He began working for his current employer as a laborer and his diligence, perseverance and astute ability led to his current position as Public Works Director for the City of Madison, Mississippi.

Congratulations, Denson!
Danny mentioned that the increase in exhibits this year was aided by the dissolution of AWWA’s relationship with Efficient Utilities.

**Kim Linton, AWWARF**, introduced herself to the membership and stated that she was the account manager for the Southeast. Kim mentioned that AWWARF was involved in research on a number of issues and indicated that she would be available to discuss while at the conference.

**Philip Gibson, Registration**, reported that we had approximately 280 pre-registered attendees with 125 spouses and 100 exhibitors. There have been approximately 22 onsite registrants and an additional 15 spouses. Total conference registration is approximately 540.

**Randy Chafin, Paid Staff.** Randy reported on the paid staff process. The Section's strategic plan recommended that the Section hire staff. A request for proposals was prepared and proposals were received. Three of the proposals were selected for interviews which were held in July. Randy announced that Ken McCool was selected to serve as the Section Administrator.

**Jimmy Nelson, Time and Place**, reported that he and Chuck Lott negotiated an agreement with the Pearl River Resort in Choctaw, Mississippi for the 2005 conference which will be held on October 2 – 4, 2005.

**Ray Hefner, Memorial Scholarship**, reported on the 3 scholarship winners for 2003 and read a short biographical sketch on each. The 2003 scholarship recipients were as follows:

- Katy Wright – Mississippi State University undergraduate recipient
- Claire Booth – Auburn University undergraduate recipient
- Gaurav Savant (Mississippi State University) – graduate student recipient
A lot of misinformation about water has been floating around lately. True or False?

1. Most Americans are dehydrated

2. Whether you’re thirsty or not, you should force yourself to drink water throughout the day.

3. You need at least eight glasses of water a day.

4. Drinking anything caffeinated results in a net loss of water.

ANSWERS

1. FALSE. There is no evidence for this, though many bottled-water companies and a variety of health experts promote this claim.

2. FALSE. Fortunately, in healthy people, the body is very good at regulating fluid balance, and thirst is a reliable indicator or water needs. Under normal circumstances, there’s no reason to tote a water bottle around all day. Exceptions: when you’re exercising strenuously or doing hard physical work, especially over long periods and in hot weather, you should make an effort to drink even if you don’t feel thirst. Very dry environments such as plane cabins may also dehydrate you; you’ll be more comfortable if you drink extra fluids when flying. Cold, dry winter air also depletes the body of water.

3. FALSE. Water is essential, but most people can stay perfectly healthy with six or even three glasses of fluids a day, depending on how active they are, how hot it is, and what else they are consuming.

4. FALSE. Caffeinated beverages such as coffee, tea, or colas tend to promote urination, but they also count, in part, as fluid intake. Drinking a cup of coffee does not result in a net loss of water. You do retain some of the fluid from it. In fact, three years ago a study from the University of Nebraska found that people showed the same “hydration status” (as determined from urine analysis and other medical tests) when they drank caffeinated colas and/or coffee as when they drank only water and/or fruit drinks.
All recipients received $1,500.

Sam McElroy, Membership, reported that the number of regular members went up from last year (578 to 606). Also, life members went up from 89 to 94. There was a decrease in student members which went from 8 to 3.

Lee Jones, Education, reported on tactics for increasing membership in Mississippi. One of the challenges in Mississippi is the strong competition from the MS Operators Association and MS Rural Water Association. In order to reach more potential members in MS, the Section has agreed to purchase up to $1200 in training videos for the MS Operators Association. This will help the Section get some exposure with the membership of this Association.

Rick Shephard, Water For People Golf Tournament, reported that the 2003 Water For People golf tournament was held at Gulf Hills Country Club in Ocean Springs, Mississippi. We had 64 golfers sign up for the event and had 56 to play. Rick expressed his appreciation for those sponsors that contributed to the tournament.

Diane Bailey, PIPELINE Editor, reported that we have added some new vendors that are advertising in the PIPELINE. Diane encouraged the members to provide articles for publication in the PIPELINE. She reported that the next issue is scheduled for preparation at the end of October.

Sheila Williams and David Stejskal, Young Professionals, reported on the Young Professionals activity for 2003. Meetings were held at Mississippi State University to try and work on developing student chapters. The Section’s YP group will be working on AWWA “fresh ideas” program. Sheila and David encouraged all young professionals in the Section to get involved in AWWA.

Chuck Lott, Resolutions, read a resolution recognizing the passing of Richard Romei in the past year.
September saw the Water Utility Council and Government Affairs Office involved in a number of hot legislative and regulatory issues affecting drinking water. In Congress, a House-Senate conference committee began deliberations on an omnibus energy bill that included a provision that would provide manufacturers of MTBE a “safe harbor” from product liability lawsuits.

The office worked with Public Affairs in sending out an alert to utility members, and then sent out alerts targeted to AWWA members living in the congressional districts of conference committee participants. The office sent the same notice to all government affairs contacts in the Sections as well. AWWA members did take action, with key letters coming from Texas and Louisiana members. The main backers of MTBE “safe harbor” legislation, which includes one committee chair, are from those states.

In addition, AWWA cosigned a full-page ad in the newspaper Roll Call with the National League of Cities, U.S. Conference of Mayors, Association of Metropolitan Water Agencies, Association of California Water Agencies, National Rural Water Association, and the National Association of Water Companies with the message, “Don’t Let Water Polluters Off the Hook.” Roll Call is the newspaper covering Capitol Hill politics and lifestyles, and is one of the most widely read publications on the Hill.

Because of the controversy over MTBE and other issues, the conferees delayed approval of a final bill from early October to late October, giving AWWA and the rest of the drinking water community more time to send comments to Congress.

On the regulatory front, the office had been seeking an extension of the public comment period for the lengthy, complicated proposals for the Stage 2 Disinfection By-Products Rule and Long Term 2 Enhanced Surface Water Treatment Rule that EPA released in August. Together, the two rules amount to about 5,000 pages of documents. Early in the month, the office received word from EPA that granted a 60-day extension for both rules.

The office also continued coordinating studies and development of formal comments with utilities, contractors, and related organizations. The office held one out-of-town workshop of volunteers in this effort. One outcome of this work will be to produce materials that utilities may use to help with their own comments to EPA.
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This year at its 56th Annual Conference the Alabama-Mississippi Section recognized three recipients of the Golden Droplet Award: Mr. George Bogs, Mr. James W. Fly, and Mr. P. W. Green were presented with the awards symbolizing their 50 years of membership in the American Water Works Association. All of these gentlemen have persevered through years of change and growth in our industry.

Mr. Fly and Mr. Green served in the water industry for many years prior to their retirement. Unfortunately, they were unable to be at the conference to receive their awards. But they have all kept their membership active even in their retirement and remain committed to the field.

Most every one who has been in the area and in this industry for at least the last few years knows Mr. George Bogs who is pictured on the cover of this month’s edition with Katie McCain, the incoming president of the American Water Works Association. Mrs. McCain is from Carrollton, Texas, and will assume leadership of the AWWA in Denver in June of 2004. We were very fortunate to have her with us at the conference and it was obvious to everyone why she was chosen to lead our association.

George worked for U.S. Pipe in a variety of positions spanning his fifty-six years of service. He was born and raised in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, and went to work in Chicago as a sales trainee. Before starting for U.S. Pipe he served in World War II. He was sworn into the U.S. Navy and commissioned as an Ensign on the first anniversary of the attack on Pearl Harbor, December 7, 1943. He graduated from Northwestern University in Evanston, Illinois, in June of 1946 with a B.S. degree in Naval Science.

After starting in Chicago, George moved on to Los Angeles as a Sales Agent, then to San Francisco as Sales Manager. He retired as Sales Promotion Manager at U.S. Pipe headquarters in Birmingham, a job he held with the aide of his lovely wife Joyce for over thirty-three years. George and Joyce were a fixture at trade shows, customer and company events.

All three of these gentlemen deserve our congratulations for their long years of service to our industry and membership in the AWWA. It was particularly good for George to be able to join us at the awards banquet. We wish all of them continued good health and extend our appreciation for their service to the industry.
ALABAMA/MISSISSIPPI SECTION HIRES ITS FIRST
FULL TIME STAFF MEMBER

After review of several proposals and personal interviews with the best prospects for the position of Staff Manager, the staff search committee offered the position to one of its own members, Ken McCool of Cleveland, Mississippi. In addition to his other qualifications, Ken being a member of our local section knows our members and our history which gives him an advantage as he takes over this new position.

Ken is a Mississippi native, born in Attala County. After 1955, he and his family moved from the ‘hills’ to the Mississippi Delta, a locale he soon came to love and one in which he firmly planted his roots following his family’s move to Texas during his high school senior year. Ken graduated from Mississippi Delta Community College, attended Mississippi State University and received his bachelor's degree from Delta State University, majoring in management.

From 1971 through 1978, Ken held marketing and sales jobs and for most of that era, was in private business as owner of a new car dealership, service station and convenience store. Afterwards, and by chance, Ken entered the water utility business with the City of Cleveland, and was eventually appointed as Cleveland’s Director of Public Works in 1981. His city has been involved with AWWA since 1958 with Ken joining in 1979. He has attended every annual conference since then. Ken has also been heavily involved with the Mississippi Water & Pollution Control Operator’s Association during his tenure at Cleveland, helping get Mississippi’s operator’s certification bill through both houses. He later helped to successfully defend his state’s certification procedures in court. He is past chair and president of those respective organizations, receiving the George Warren Fuller Award in his section and MWPCOA’s Howard K. Williford Special Award.

Ken is also active in other professional, municipal and local civic organizations, serving his local Lions Club and United Way as board member and past president of each. Wearing the many hats as a Director of Public Works, Ken helped in the formation of the Mississippi Airports Association, becoming its first President. He also received Cleveland’s Chamber of Commerce’s Distinguished Service Award.

Ken enjoys music, tennis and especially time spent with his son Michael and wife, Cynthia, his high school sweetheart of 37 years.

Anyone needing to contact Ken can reach him by phone at (662) 843-4201; by fax at (662) 846-5701; or by email at almsawwa@cableone.net.

Please join the Section in welcoming Ken as our one and only paid staff member. Most sections have had at least one full time staff member for quite some time.
Her name is Marta Ortiz. She is a 10-year-old who lives in the first house on the corner as you enter her community. Her house is basically one small room and in addition to her mother and father, Marta shares her home with four sisters and a brother. As soon as we arrived into El Cielito, Marta ran to welcome us and was right there as I opened the truck door. Our eyes met and we smiled at each other. Immediately I knew she would be my friend for the duration of our visit.

As people began to gather around the schoolhouse, discussions started with community members and our country coordinator Diana Betancourt. The children hovered around us, and I felt a sense of belonging. While taking pictures and more pictures of the community members, Marta was always nearby. Always smiling. Always watching me.

From across the school yard a voice suddenly asked me to take pictures of another group of children. It was then I met Daniel, a young man who now lives in New Jersey but was there visiting his uncle. I asked Daniel if he would be my personal interpreter and help me with story interviews. Many community members began to climb the hill to the water tower, but I wanted to stay back and hear people’s stories and capture the moments with photos.

I asked Daniel to ask Marta if we could meet in the school house. But suddenly she disappeared. Marta ran home to change into her Sunday best for her interview. I found out she is much like other 10-year-old girls with hopes and dreams. She likes school and Barbie dolls and reading, especially history books. She helps her mother sweep the floor and wash clothes. She doesn't remember much about Hurricane Mitch, except her mother said there was a lot of mud and they moved in with another family in another community after their home was destroyed.

There is one major difference in Marta’s life since the community got a water system with Water For People’s help. It used to be that Marta had to haul pails of water from another community to her home. But since her family has a tapstand right outside their home, her life is much better. She is happy that now she has two extra hours each day to study and play. She likes to learn and she wants to become a teacher and maybe even return to her community to teach.

As we were getting ready to leave El Cielito, Marta asked to have her picture taken with me. What an honor! As we started to drive away Marta waved, still smiling. I believe she was filled with hope and determination about her future. Maybe that is why her community means Little Heaven.

“What do we live for if it is not to make life less difficult for each other?” - George Eliot
Graciela needs your help

Difficult financial times create challenges for all of us.

But, imagine the obstacles children like Graciela must overcome living without access to clean water and sanitation. Millions of people (mostly female) like her walk for several hours each day to get water. Or, they must pay exorbitant fees to private water vendors. Either way, poor water and non-existent sanitation increase the risk of disease. As much as 60% of the world’s illness is water-related.

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TO: Section Directors  
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FROM: Marlay B. Price, AWWA President

DATE: September 15, 2003

RE: Section Recruitment Efforts Needed!

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It's that time of year once again when we turn to our sections to begin recruiting efforts to identify qualified candidates to serve on the Association's councils, divisions, and committees. Involvement by the sections is crucial if we are to fulfill the goals of openness and increased member involvement set by the Board of Directors.

Our success in recruiting interested and active volunteers depends on several linked efforts. First, members must become aware of opportunities to serve and be encouraged to do so. Secondly, all AWWA volunteer units, sections in particular, must seek out people who might fill vacancies. The success of this system depends heavily on sections, since you know your volunteers best. I urge you to participate in this process and make it work!

**2004 Vacancies.** Attached is a list of the vacancies that will occur in 2004 on the Association's councils, divisions, and committees (see attachment 1). For your convenience, the name of the staff secretary and their e-mail is included for each volunteer unit. If you have questions or comments, feel free to e-mail, phone, or fax the staff secretary directly for information. Working committees serving under councils and divisions can always use more volunteer assistance, so please urge your section members to get involved!

**The deadline for submittal of nominees is January 1, 2004.**
APPLICATION FOR COUNCIL, DIVISION OR COMMITTEE SERVICE

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I am interested in being considered for appointment to one of the following AWWA Council/Divisions/Committees (list no more than three, in order of priority).

1. ____________________________________________

2. ____________________________________________

3. ____________________________________________

If you are not selected to serve on any of the volunteer units you listed, your application may be forwarded to other volunteer units with current openings. In addition, your application will be maintained in an active status for one year. You will be notified if your name is submitted for any future openings.

☐ Check here if you would like your section to be notified of your interest in committee service.

Many sections have volunteer opportunities that parallel Association opportunities. You are encouraged to become an active participant in section activities.

Please list your current and past service on AWWA Association or section councils, divisions or committees:

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AWWA’s volunteer units are seeking candidates for appointments that will begin in June 2004. Thousands of AWWA members support the vitality of their profession and the Association through service on councils, divisions, and committees. In return, many volunteers expand their networks and professional expertise through their work on committees.

Full descriptions of the committee scope can be found on the AWWA Web site under Science & Technology, Volunteer, Opportunities. A list of committees, divisions, and council with vacancies in 2004 are listed below. For many of the units, the number of vacancies is listed with the number of people eligible for reappointment to that volunteer unit indicated listed in parentheses.

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Tim Rogers, Safety, read the recipients of this year’s safety awards.

Glen Thomas, Small Systems, encouraged all small systems to start early on addressing new regulations.

Keith Lowery, Nominations, submitted the following nominations as members of the AL/MS Section officers for 2003/2004.

- Randy Chafin – Chair
- Chuck Lott – Vice-Chair
- Trustee-at-Large (MS) – Lee Jones
- Secretary-Treasurer (3-year term beginning January 1, 2004) – Hunter Arnold
- Director (3-year term beginning June 2004) – Blake Jeffcoat

After a motion from the floor was made to close the nominations, a second was made. Thereafter, upon a voice vote, all proposed nominees were unanimously elected.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:12 p.m.

2003 AL/MS AWWA 30-YEAR LIFE MEMBER Awardees

Mr. W. Blake Jeffcoat
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Montgomery, AL

Mr. Billy G. Johnson
City of Rolling Fork
Rolling Fork, MS

Mr. W. F. Langner
Oneonta Utilities Board
Oneonta, AL

Mr. Jacob McBride
Batesville, MS

Mr. Edward D. Munson
Malcolm Pirnie, Inc.
Birmingham, AL

Mr. Harold G. Smith
New Albany Water Department
New Albany, MS
Katie McCain, AWWA President Elect presents 30-Year Life Member Awards to Blake Jeffcoat and Edward Munson

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Mr. George J. Bogs
U.S. Pipe & Foundry Company
Birmingham, AL

Mr. James W. Fly
Mister Chlorinator Co., Inc.
Montgomery, AL

Mr. P. W. Green
Birmingham, AL

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