How is everyone out there? Another quarter gone and plenty of crazy to go around right? Ha-ha well, what is going to happen next? I think everyone that I know are waiting on the elections to see what will be next. I think personally we should just keep doing the best we can and live what life we have.

Well, there's not a lot to write about other than the change of faces around the industry. There are many who have quit, retired or moved on. I'm not going to mention all their names as I might leave one out, but let me just say I miss you all and may things go well for you. However, there is one man that has been here and supporting us for decades. He has retired for health reasons and is missed very much. Gaylen for me, has been a friend for more than 25 years and my thoughts and prayers go out to him and his family. Throughout all his operations and therapy, we that know him will be there for him. God bless my friend. May God bless us all and keep us working and safe.

I had a lot of fun with everyone at the Moab event and to those of you who didn't make it, you're the ones that missed out on the fun both in and out of the classroom. Thanks to all that helped and who came and supported us. Mike, thanks for the cooking, it was great. We are talking about doing different outings next year so come join and have some fun with us.

I'm hoping to get through this with no controversy. I think I might have made it. However, if I quit now, that's no fun. But I do think for this time around I'll leave the controversy to the Presidential candidates, so get out and vote your mind.

Richard Petersen — UGWA President
UGWA’s 2016 Moab PED and Convention was held on June 10-11 at the Moab Valley Inn. No big surprise – the weather in Moab was hot, hot, HOT!

We had a nice turnout with 23 drillers attending for the 6 continuing education presentations, along with great attendance by our supporting suppliers and vendors. Topics included updates on Utah’s well drilling rules (Jim Goddard/Water Rights), Problems encountered during well drilling and construction (Fred Rothauge, Hydro Resources), solar pump systems (Dan Saunders, Lorentz), domestic water systems (Tray Spath, Pentair), DOT safety and inspection protocols (Trooper Giles/Utah Highway Patrol), and Well Driller Jeopardy (Thom Hanna, Bilfinger-Johnson Screens). Presenters at UGWA events are volunteers and we extend a big THANK YOU to these individuals and their companies for volunteering their time and expertise for the training classes.

The BBQ social was held on Friday night at Lion’s Park. Lion’s Park is located on the Colorado River just north of town and has undergone major renovations over the past year or so, with new pavilions, restrooms, and landscaping. We had over 50 UGWA members and families attend. Mike Zimmerman was once again the man with the BBQ. His custom built BBQ/smoker is really a thing of beauty and had a few upgrades made since last year. Mike and his helpers spent the better part of the day tending the goods, and turned out some really tasty brisket, ribs, chicken, and dutch oven potatoes. There was plenty of everything to go around. Dessert was a dutch oven lava cake. OMG, chocolate decadence was served!

On Saturday we split into 2 river raft trips. One group lead by Neil Burk did what has become UGWA’s traditional “daily” trip with the Red River Adventures on the Colorado River above Moab. A second trip was headed up by Mike Anzalone and was a one-day run down Cataract Canyon with NAVTEC. The weather was perfect, the Colorado was running at very high levels, we got wet, and we had a blast!

The Moab event is successful and fun because of the sponsorship and support we get from our UGWA member suppliers. We couldn’t do it without their attendance and financial support. This year Western Hydro was the Platinum sponsor for the event and also the BBQ sponsor. Thank you so much Western Hydro! Mitchell, Lewis & Staver sponsored the lunch. Mike Zimmerman hosted the BBQ and Moab Bit & Tool provided the drinks. Please give them a big round of applause and tell them in person next time you see them.

The Moab “Event” is a long standing tradition of UGWA. I hope everyone will consider coming next year,
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The UGWA would like to thank Jerry for all of his years of service to Utah’s water well industry.

All the best Jerry!

Gaylen Farnsworth

Gaylen Farnsworth of Steve Regan Co., manufacturer/supplier representative for the UGWA has stepped down from his post on the UGWA board. The UGWA would like to thank Gaylen for all of his years of service to and support of the UGWA.

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Typically the meeting agenda looks something like this:

- The NGWA President calls the meeting to order;
- Opening remarks;
- Recognition of NGWA past and current Presidents and Board Members;
- Delegates meeting rules;
- Roll call by state to confirm delegates;
- Introduction of board candidates;
- Voting procedures and vote;
- Contractors Division Vice President remarks;
- Manufacturers Division Vice President remarks;
- Scientist and Engineers Division Vice President remarks;
- Suppliers Vice President remarks;
- NGWA annual report;
- NGWA financial report;
- Master groundwater contractor presentation;
- Parting President remarks/gavel exchange;
- Incoming President remarks;
- Results of Director voting;
- Other matters before delegates and time adjustments; and
- Adjournment.

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If you attend the NGWA National Convention in Las Vegas, Nevada, this upcoming December please take the time to see if you can serve as a delegate representing your state. You can register at the Delegate booth next to the General Registration booth during the show or by notifying Colette before September 30th and she will sign you up as a Utah delegate if positions are available. I look forward to seeing you in Las Vegas this December.

Fred Rothauge — UGWA Membership Chair

UGWA’s own Fred Rothauge is running for a position on the NGWA Board of Directors.

Below is Fred’s biography presenting his experience in the groundwater industry and his reasons for running for a NGWA Board position. Good Luck Fred! The UGWA is pulling for you!

Fred Rothauge, CWD, is Well Rehabilitation Division Manager for Hydro Resources and past owner of Quality Drilling Fluids, a company he started and owned for 22 years. He has over 35 years of experience in Oil and Gas, Mining, Water Well Drilling and Well Rehabilitation. He has co-authored papers on Drilling Fluid products and is a co-author for Johnson Screen 3rd edition of Groundwater and Wells. His primary interest is in Groundwater Resources Development and Well Rehabilitation. Fred serves on the board of directors for Colorado Water Well Contractors Association and Utah Ground Water Association. Fred holds Water Well Drillers License’s in Arizona, Colorado, Montana, New Mexico, South Dakota, Utah and Wyoming. He is Certified by the NGWA in Air Rotary Drilling, Mud Rotary Drilling, Reverse Circulation Drilling and Well Servicing and Maintenance. Fred enjoys presenting to other water well professionals on several topics from Drilling, Drilling Fluids, Well Enhancement and Well Rehabilitation at NGWA and State Water Well Association events.

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