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SARBS NIGHT AT ANGEL STADIUM

SARBS baseball fans got together July 27 for the annual SARBS-Angels baseball game extravaganza, cheering the Angels on to a high-scoring victory. SARBS members and guests, numbering fifty strong, attended the Angels – Tigers Friday night game. This marked the 7th straight year that SARBS has hosted the Angels game event.

The evening began with the traditional tailgate festivities in the parking lot under the big “A.” The SARBS balloon was flying high, marking the location of the pre-game gathering. Nearly every one of the fifty ticket holders attended the tailgate party and enjoyed an evening picnic in the warm weather. Tailgate party food and beverages were made possible by the generous contribution of SARBS Corporate Sponsors.

The Angels battled to an 11-6 victory. The run-scoring fireworks during the game continued after the game with the spectacular Friday-night post-game aerial fireworks show. Thank you to Chuck Borkman and Richard Watts who organized this SARBS event.



FROM THE CLUTTERED DESK OF THE EDITOR

SARBS events like big box office movies tend to come in seasonal spurts. The busy summer season has included activities like SARBS Night at the Angels Game and the July Collections Seminar (described in this issue). But the blissful return of our kids to the drudgery of their school desks marks the end of that season. SARBS summer ends on a high note with the Joint LABS-SARBS Dinner Program in September. Our energetic Vice President Mr. Watts had centered this program on a tour of the soon to be completed Orange County Water District Groundwater Replenishment Project. This state of the art facility is the culmination of a long trek to improve the reliability of water supply in Southern California.

SARBS winter season of events kicks off with the Pump Maintenance Seminar in November (see Page 2) leading up to the Winter Collections Seminar and the Awards Banquet in January.

The gap between the SARBS summer and winter season is usually filled with the Annual Tri-State Seminar On the River (what river???) in Primm, Nevada, at the end of September. This year features another major event: the WEFTEC exhibition in San Diego in October. This is expected to be the last time the WEFTEC show comes to the West Coast – take advantage of the opportunity.

With all of these activities our Past President would be most annoyed if we failed to remind you **SUBMIT YOUR SARBS AWARDS NOMINATION.** Now. Please. For more information visit the SARBS website (newly refurbished courtesy of our Webmaster, Mike Miazga).

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**SARBS/CWEA
PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE**



PUMP MAINTENANCE SEMINAR AND VENDOR EXHIBITION

November 8, 2007 - 7:30 a.m. to 4:40 p.m.

The Phoenix Club
1340 Sanderson Avenue
Anaheim, California

Program Includes:



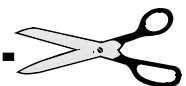
Three separate, concurrent sessions with topics including the following:

- Hydraulics and Math
- Basic Centrifugal Pump Maintenance
- Pump Seals
- Chemical Handling Equipment
- VFD Selection
- Predictive Maintenance Programs
- Sludge Handling Pumps
- Motor Troubleshooting
- And Many More Topics!

Vendor exhibition including rotating 10-minute presentations by vendors

For program updates check the SARBS website at <http://www.cwea.org/sarbs>. The program brochure will be printed on the SARBS website by August 24, 2007. Questions? Contact Brian Peck at (949) 234-5411 or bpeck@socwa.com.

To register - cut and mail Section below with your check by November 2, 2007 (Note: no refunds after November 2!)



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Cost includes lunch

IT'S THAT TIME AGAIN FOR THE ANNUAL SARBS/LABS COMBINED DINNER

This year we will be touring Orange County Water District's new
Groundwater Replenishment System

When this facility goes on line towards the end of this year, it will be the world's largest and most advanced groundwater replenishing system. At a cost of over 300

million dollars, it is designed to inject 70 million gallons per day back into the water table. Come and see this facility before it goes completely on line.



Tour Date:

September 13, 2007

Time: 5:00 P.M.

Location: 18700 Ward Street, Fountain Valley, CA

For answers to your questions or to Reserve a place on the tour
E-mail **Richard Watts** at: webwatz@aol.com



Dinner: Claim Jumper

Time: 6:30 P.M.

Location: 18050 Brookhurst, Fountain Valley, CA

SARBS/CWEA 2007 SUMMER COLLECTIONS SEMINAR

BY RALPH PALOMARES

On July 19th, 2007, at the Surf City USA (also known as Huntington Beach) Public Library SARBS hosted it's fourth summer collections seminar. This year the event was attended by 240 individuals including 24 exhibitors. The day started out with hot coffee and 24 dozen donuts that were all consumed in a matter of what seemed like minutes (without so much as an assist from Homer Simpson). At 8:00 am introductions and announcements were made about the day's events and the group broke off into



session on Source Control issues facing the Collections industry and how OCSD handles problems at their agency. Lunch was provided by a local caterer who served Italian food. With this crowd there was

nothing left for the ants, engineers and other pests. At 2:45 pm we started to wrap up the day. SARBS gave away gift certificates and a 27 inch LCD flat screen television to a lucky attendee from the City of Riverside. We appreciate the SARBS Board, the Collections Committee and all the individuals whose



different sessions. The math prep class was moderated by Tricia Butler (a SARBS past president). New to the program was Roy Young, a math professor at Vanguard University in Orange County. Roy said it was a pleasure teaching a group of people who really wanted to learn and were preparing for their CWEA TCP Grade tests. He hopes to return in January 2008. Other sessions were on heat related issues and blood born pathogens as well as proper sewer related cleaning issues and how to have an effective program taught by Michael Flores of HDR Engineering in San Diego. Deon Carrico of OCSD did a

hard work made this event possible. Thanks also to the Huntington Beach Library and its staff for being very professional and helpful.

The exhibitors were from all over Southern California. A great big thanks to them for making this year's seminar a huge success. Those that attended were from as far away as Santa Barbara, San Diego and the Inland Empire. Many thanks to all of you who attend and to your agencies for sending you— we hope to see you at the Winter Collections Seminar at the Phoenix Club in Anaheim in January, 2008.



AND THE WINNER IS...

Well folks, it's that time of year again: the start of the **SARBS 2007 Awards Season**. All agencies should have received their awards nomination packets by now. We've seen a trend in the last few years of decreasing nominations. There were several blank spots on the list of last years' nominees/winners, including: *Supervisor of the Year, Electrical/Instrumentation Person of the Year, Plant Safety for Large and Medium Plants, Plant of the Year for Small (< 5 MGD) and Large (> 20 MGD) Plants, and Public Education* to name a few. Those of us on your SARBS Board would like to see this trend reversed, but it can't be accomplished without your help. Many plant managers don't wish to participate due to upgrade construction at their facilities, which they feel may

hinder their chances of winning. Nothing could be farther from the truth. The ability to run a facility successfully, meet all discharge requirements and maintain a safe work environment despite the construction, and all of the challenges that it entails, is actually a plus. I'd also like to encourage all runners up from years past to resubmit their nominations this year. There are a lot of individuals, facilities, programs and systems out there that deserve to be recognized. So please, take some time to fill out those nomination forms. You can't win if you don't submit... Feel free to contact me with any questions or concerns. I also have CDs of all of the nomination forms. My email address is breiter@irwd.com. Or call me at [949-453-5759](tel:949-453-5759). Good luck.

EVEN THE ANTS HAD FUN...

The weather was perfect, better than the oven everywhere else, the company was wondrous and the food was cooked (better than last year). Just where was this paradise? Why as this year's SARBS Annual Picnic, at Dana Point. Where else could you have so much fun for the cost of parking at a state park. From where I stood, behind the grill, everyone had fun. Whether it was walking along the beach, making new friends or just soaking up the sun. There were the ever-present door prizes that made everyone a winner. If we missed you this year, there is always next year. See you then.

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Sacramento, April 13-16, 2008**



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Entry Deadline January 14, 2008

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**UPCOMING
EVENTS**

LABS/SARBS Dinner Meeting

September 20, 2007

**23rd Annual Tri-State Seminar
on the River**

September 27-29, 2007

WEFTEC/San Diego

October 13 -17, 2007

**SARBS PDC
Pump Maintenance Seminar**

November 8, 2007

January Collections Seminar

January 18, 2008

Awards Banquet

January 19, 2008

For updates visit the SARBS website at

<http://cwea.org/sarbs/>

**SELECT SOCIETY OF
SANITARY SLUDGE SHOVELERS (5-S)**

The purpose of this Society is to recognize CWEA members who have contributed in excess of five (5) years to the wastewater collection, design, and operations objectives of CWEA. Service may have been as a CWEA or Local Section officer, committee member, or faithful volunteer at the local, regional, state, and even national level. Nominations are accepted from individuals as well as Local Sections and CWEA committees. A select committee of Sludge Shovelers evaluates all the supporting documentation for each nominee. Only a few are selected each year and the selection is made solely on merit. Nominations must include a resume (bio) that identifies the details of CWEA-related volunteer activities, which is the basis for the selection process.

DEADLINE:

Nominations Must Be Submitted By February 22, 2008

Information and nomination forms are available from

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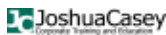
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