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## **AWARDS**

Indiana American Water, a subsidiary of American Water, recognized long-time employee **Charles Kelley** at an employee event at its Michigan Street distribution center in Gary, Ind. Kelley, who started with Gary-Hobart Water Corp. in 1956, currently works as a field services representative and is American Water's longest-tenured employee. Following a short stint after high school working in a local steel mill, Kelley got his start with the company as a laborer for Gary-Hobart Water installing water mains and other underground infrastructure. Indiana American Water acquired the utility in 1999 as part of a larger acquisition that included the system in northwest Indiana. Kelley is now a field services representative for Indiana American Water. At 79 years old, Kelley shows no signs of slowing down these days and says he has no plans to retire anytime soon. "I'll know when it's time to retire," he said. "I haven't reached that point yet and, even when

I do retire, I will likely continue working on the side on a plumbing business I own."

In other company news, American Water announced that one of its American Water Resources (AWR) subsidiary employees, customer service and sales representative **Kina Patterson**, received the CustomerCount CEP Award from the Professional Association for Customer Engagement. This award recognizes an outstanding member company for an individual's performance. Patterson joined AWR in January 2015 and is known for her exceptional communication skills. **Shirley Adams**, a claims representative for AWR, was recognized as a runner-up for the same award.

Network H2O, a plan for augmenting US water supply through an expanded water network, received the American Society of Civil Engineers (ASCE) Best Value Award in the Innovative Business Models and Technologies category. **Maury D. Gaston,** an engineer and water industry expert with AMERICAN SpiralWeld Pipe and

AMERICAN Ductile Iron Pipe, developed Network H2O as a way to balance the country's water supply with its water demand—to move water from where it's abundant to where it's needed—while creating economic growth and opportunity, and ensuring the future of dependable water resources. Network H2O was one of 15 winners in the ASCE's Innovation Contest. which was designed to gather innovative ideas to help transform the future of infrastructure. The Innovative Business Models and Technologies category focused on new and effective business ideas for lowering costs and improving quality in civil engineering projects.

Itron Inc. and Disco Learning Media announced that the White House Water Summit, on March 22, recognized Itron's partnership with Michael E. Webber, a professor at the University of Texas at Austin and an expert on the water-energy nexus. Itron and Webber are teaming up to create and distribute an interactive STEM (science, technology, engineering, and mathematics) software application that teaches key concepts about water and energy for kindergarten through 12th grade, colleges, industry, and the general public. The goal of these tools is to improve water and energy literacy, encourage conservation and resourcefulness, and inspire youth interest in the water-energy field. The curriculum will combine text with multimedia components such as audio and video, along with interactive exercises, maps, and games. Disco Learning Media will build the application and enable distribution across a variety of different platforms. Webber is author of Thirst for Power (Yale University Press, 2016) and is focused on training the next generation of energy leaders.

Nicholas Cook, the chief operator of Gulf Coast Water Authority in Texas City, Tex., has been recognized as a Certified Water Professional (CWP) by the Texas A&M Engineering Extension Service (TEEX), a component agency of the Texas A&M University System. The attainment of the CWP designation is a culmination of many years of experience within the water utilities field and a minimum of 225 h of classroom training through TEEX in water treatment, operations and maintenance, laboratory, safety, management, and other subject areas specific to the water utilities industry.

## **TRANSITIONS**

The FDT Group announced that **Andre Uhl**, director of the device lifecycle platform for Schneider Electric Automation GmbH, and Shinji Oda, general manager of technology marketing at Yokogawa Electric Corp., have been named to FDT Group's board of directors. Uhl and Oda replace board members Friedrich Götz of Schneider Electric and Kimikazu Takahashi of Yokogawa, respectively, as a result of Götz and Takahashi's retirement. Uhl has many years of experience in the industrial market, managing research and development centers for industrial and motion control applications. His experience includes developing automation solutions and flagship products for the machine builders market. Oda joined Yokogawa in 1986 and has played a key role in the development of successive CENTUM Distributed Control System offerings. From 2002 to 2005, he served as head of Yokogawa's Development Center in the United States; from 2009 to 2014, he was head of the company's Development Center in Singapore. Oda has been in his current position since April 2014 and is responsible for Yokogawa's strategy in international standardization and consortia activities.

Ford Meter Box has named **Tom Lower** as vice-president of sales and marketing. Lower succeeds Gary Bryant, who had served as senior vice-president of sales and marketing since 1997 until his retirement in April 2016. Lower is a 26-year veteran of Ford Meter Box, where he started his career as a salesman in Florida. In 2003 he was promoted to southeastern regional manager. Lower is a 26-year member of AWWA and serves on AWWA's Manufacturer's Advisory Committee.

JCM Industries Inc. has promoted **John Collins** from chief operating officer to the position of chief executive officer. He began working in JCM's production area during summers from 1985 to 1989. In 1992 he entered into a full-time position with the company sales team and has served in a range of positions in the company over the years.

Bonita Springs Utilities (BSU, Florida) has appointed **Steven Richards** as its finance director; he is responsible for maintaining the utility's financial records, supervising investments,





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and overseeing all accounting activities. Richards directs the activities of BSU's finance department, including preparing financial statements and budgets and coordinating purchasing, disbursements, cash management, and debt administration. Richards joined BSU after nearly 10 years with CliftonLarsonAllen, BSU's independent auditor for the last several years. Debbie Bautista, who had served as finance director since 2003, retired early this year.



Ballun

Val-Matic Valve & Manufacturing Corp. has announced that **John V. Ballun**, executive vice-president and chief operating officer, is succeeding Ted J. Makowan as president and chief executive officer. Ballun joined Val-Matic in 1995 as vice-president of engineering and previously worked in various engineering management roles at other valve manufacturing companies. Over his career, he has published numerous articles on valve technology. Patricia Nuter will continue to serve as the chairman of the board, executive chairman, and treasurer of Val-Matic.

MHG's board of directors has approved a new chief executive officer (CEO) for the company. **Stephen Croskrey** took over all duties of the role immediately upon approval. Croskrey has

more than 20 years of experience in providing leadership for companies that manufacture and sell products including industrial fibers, medical devices, and law enforcement gear. He previously served as the president and CEO of Armor Holding Products LLC, a major manufacturer of armor systems for the military, law enforcement, and commercial markets. During his six-year tenure at Armor Holding Products, Croskrey completed 13 acquisition transactions, which resulted in the annual revenue increasing from \$45 million to over \$300 million.

The Dublin San Ramon Services District (DSRSD) board of directors has appointed **Daniel McIntyre** to serve as DSRSD's general manager. A registered civil engineer, McIntyre has worked in the Tri-Valley for 26 years, including 12 years as the City of Livermore's public works director, where he managed a staff of 110 and an annual operating budget of \$51 million. McIntyre spent the last year as DSRSD's engineering services manager.

## **OBITUARY**

**Victor L. Risch**, life member, Indianapolis, Ind.; Life Member Award 2008

## Erratum

In the expanded summary of the article, "Hydrological Modeling and Characterization of the Khanpur Watershed, Pakistan," by Muhammad Zaheer, Zulfiqar Ahmad, and Asfandyar Shahab, that appeared in the May 2016 issue of Journal AWWA (Vol. 108 No. 4 p.76), there were errors in Table 1, and Asfandyar Shahab's name appeared incorrectly in the byline at the top of the page. These errors were corrected before publication of the full-text version of the manuscript, which was published online in May. Additionally, the corrected table is printed here. It should be noted that Table 1 from the expanded summary is the same table as Table 4 in the full-text version of the manuscript.

 TABLE 1
 Physical characteristics of the Khanpur watershed

Variable	Measure
Area—km²	797
Perimeter— <i>km</i>	232
Watershed length—km	54
Stream order	5
Bifurcation ratio	3.5
Stream density—no./km²	0.5
Drainage density—km/km²	0.7
Largest stream—km	64
Circularity ratio	0.6
Compactness factor	1.2
Lemniscate ratio	2.8
Elongation ratio	0.6
Form factor	0.27
Shape factor (Horton 1932)	3.7
Basin slope	0.04