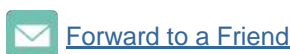


BEAVER WATERSHED ALLIANCE



May 2013

Last Call for Watershed Photo Contest Entries



This is the last week to submit photos for the Watershed Photography Contest! The deadline for submissions is May 15th. You don't have to travel far to get into the watershed if you live in Northwest Arkansas, so there's still time for you to take a photo and submit it! Prizes will be given to the top three photographs in each age category (9-17 and 18+), and are as follows:

About the Alliance

The Beaver Watershed Alliance was formed in 2010 to establish programming to maintain high quality drinking water in Beaver Lake and improve water quality on the Beaver Lake Watershed. The Alliance represents a diverse stakeholder group from conservation, education, water utilities, technical and science, agriculture, recreation, business, and local government groups working together for the

- **First Prize:** Camera, gift card package from Bedford Camera & Video: CONTOUR ROAM WATERSPORTS Camera KIT, A 16GB Micro SD Card, Gift certificate for \$100 in CONTOUR Accessories
- **Second Prize:** 4-hour private Photography Instruction with Stephen Ironside of Ironside Photography
- **Third Prize:** Railroad excursion for 2 to Van Buren on the Arkansas Missouri Railroad, lunch included

Click [here](#) to visit the Photography Contest page on our website for complete contest rules and a map of the watershed. Contact Courtney Thomas at courtney@beaverwatershedalliance.org or 479.274.8903 with any questions.

cause of clean water.

Please take a minute to update your contact information for us by clicking on "update subscription preferences" at the bottom of this page. Thank you.

Upcoming Events

May 14 - 15

AWRC Annual Watershed and Research Conference - University of Arkansas Global Campus, Fayetteville

May 15

Deadline to submit photos for the Watershed Photo Contest - Bedford Camera & Video - Rogers and Fayetteville

May 17 - 19

"Think Like a Mountain Celebration" Conservation Weekend - Devil's Den State Park, West Fork

May 23

Lake Smart Training - Prairie Creek Community Center, Prairie Creek

May 25

West Fork Cleanup - Riverside Park, West Fork

May 28

NWA IECA Lunch 'n Learn - Golden Corral, Rogers

June 1 - 16

Water Watch Week - events



Look out for the 2013 Northwest Arkansas UpStream Art Installations



Artist Jeffi O'Kane's UpStream Art piece, "Happy Fish", at the intersection of Spring St. and West Ave. in Fayetteville

Congratulations to the artists with winning designs for this year's UpStream Art project! Ten artists will paint eleven designs in Fayetteville, Springdale, Rogers and Bentonville. This year's winners are Napoleon Dezaldivar for a storm drain in Bentonville, Tina Oppenheimer, Jeffi O'Kane, Kat Eustice, and Lucy Kagan for drains in Fayetteville, Rachel Johnson, Martin Newman, Paige Ray, and Leah Saffian for drains in Springdale, and Lee Porter for two drains in Rogers. Check out the storm drain murals around Northwest Arkansas, and learn more about the project with a walking tour of the Fayetteville sites on June 15th. See the project website at nwaupstreamart.wetpaint.com for more information.

to be held all over the
Northwest Arkansas region

June 1

War Eagle Appreciation Day -
Withrow Springs State Park,
Huntsville

June 4

Lake Smart Training - Center
for Nonprofits, Rogers

June 4

Rain Barrel Construction
Workshop - Fayetteville
Community Food Hub,
Fayetteville

June 8

Girl Scout Water WISE Event
- Hobbs State Park -
Conservation Area, Rogers

June 8

West Fork Rain Garden Tour
- TBD, West Fork

June 8

Noland Wastewater
Treatment Plant Tour - Paul
R. Noland Wastewater
Treatment Plant, Fayetteville

June 11

4-State Watershed Academy
- Branson Convention Center,
Branson, MO

June 15

UpStream Art Tour - TBD,
Fayetteville

August 17

Secchi Day on Beaver Lake -
Prairie Creek, Rogers

Check out our [online calendar](#)
for more detailed information
on upcoming events!

Upcoming Conferences: AWRC, 4- State Watershed Academy

'Tis the season for water quality conferences in Northwest
Arkansas and Southern Missouri!

The Arkansas Water Resources Center Annual
Watershed and Research Conference will be held May
14-15 at the University of Arkansas Global Campus in
downtown Fayetteville. The focus for this year's
conference will be on 104(b) research program impacts
and ecosystem design, with keynote speaker Dr. Thad
Scott. Dr. Scott won the 2012 National Institutes for Water
Resources Impact Award for his study on the role of
sediment denitrification in nitrogen retention in reservoirs,
which resulted in recommendations for reservoir
management that could enhance permanent nitrogen
removal from reservoir waters through denitrification.
Click [here](#) for registration information and a preliminary
agenda.

The 4-State Watershed Academy will be held on June
11th at the Hilton Branson Convention Center in Branson,
Missouri. The conference, titled "MS-4 Green Tools for
Your Toolbox" will focus on ways to build and restore
cities while protecting the environment. This year's
conference will offer usable information to a wide cross-
section of stakeholders, from the professional developers
or engineers, municipal environmental specialists, water
quality professionals, elected officials and regulators or
urban property owners on addressing urban water quality
issues. Each will find a tool for developing sustainable
cities and ensuring environmental integrity within urban
contexts. Click [here](#) for more details and registration
information.

The Alliance to Partner with Feed Fayetteville for Rain Barrel Workshop

Please share this newsletter with your friends and neighbors so that they can have the opportunity to become active members in the Beaver Watershed community.

We're excited to partner with local hunger alleviation and nutrition education nonprofit, [Feed Fayetteville](#), for the first time to host a Rain Barrel Construction Workshop for the community as part of [Water Watch Week](#) in Arkansas! Feed Fayetteville Programs Coordinator, Alena DeGrado, and the Alliance's Conservation Intern, Courtney Thomas, will lead participants in the step-by-step construction of a 55 gallon rain barrel, while providing education about the Beaver Lake Watershed, how to efficiently use water in home gardens, and ways to manage stormwater runoff. The workshop will be held on June 4th from 4:30-6 pm at the Fayetteville Community Food Hub, located at 221 South Locust Ave. in Fayetteville. The workshop is open to 15 participants with a cost of \$45 per barrel and participants will take home a completed rain barrel. All proceeds will benefit Feed Fayetteville. To register, contact Alena DeGrado at alena@feedfayetteville.org by May 30th.

Meet the Board



Kevin Igli

Mr. Kevin Igli is the Senior Vice President and Chief Environmental, Health and Safety (EHS) Officer for Tyson Foods, Inc. Mr. Igli oversees the company's sustainability initiatives and EHS compliance and risk management processes to assess, prioritize and

effectively manage all aspects of the company's EHS stewardship efforts. Mr. Igli has served in the past as the Vice President for Environmental Affairs for Willamette Industries, Inc., a leading forest and paper company based in Portland, Oregon. In addition, he was Director of Environment, Health and Safety for Packaging Corporation of America and served as Vice President of Environment, Health and Safety for Chemical Waste Management, Inc. He is a graduate of Malone University

in Canton, Ohio, with a BA degree in Biological Sciences. Mr. Igli participates in The Sustainability Consortium; serves on the Academic Advisory Board for the University of Arkansas Biological and Agricultural Engineering Department, and serves on the Boards of The Nature Conservancy, Beaver Watershed Alliance, and Ozarks Water Watch.

Watershed Moment



Beaver Lake courtesy of the Army Corps of Engineers

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