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The Advocate

Letter From The President Mike Anzalone

Hello and welcome to 2026! My name is Michael Anzalone and I am your new UGWA President. Many of you most likely already know me, as I have served in this same position before. I enjoyed this job very much and was happy to take it on again when recently asked. I believe the responsibilities as a President help us all to be more informed, do our jobs better, and have fun doing what we do.

We are still here, everyone will always need water, and it seems now more than ever. Ours is an industry in high demand. We are a group of hard working, dedicated, and industrious men and women. It is a pleasure to know and work with you all. Our industry is changing and we must also change for the better to do our jobs better. Communication and comradery are essential. It is my challenge to all of you to know your fellow workers in this industry and work together to uphold the highest standards. Word of mouth goes a long way. What goes around comes around so help your fellow people in the water service industry. Let's work together to make Utah's Ground Water Association the best in the nation.

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Mark Your Calendar

- Dec 8-10, 2026
NGWA Groundwater Week
- June 4-6, 2026
Moab PED and Summer Retreat
- Jan 6-8, 2027 UGWA Annual
Conference & Expo

Letter From The President—Cont'd

Mike Anzalone

Looking ahead, we have our annual Moab get together coming up in June. I promise more details to follow on this event soon. The Moab trip is such a fun tradition that we have done for many years. I remember going with my parents and siblings when I was just a kid. Planned events include a geology tour for our CEU classes, golfing in Monticello, a BBQ, and a fun ATV tour on Saturday. ATVs are available to rent or you're welcome to bring your own. I look forward to seeing as many people there as possible. It's always a great time!

Our recent convention in Mesquite was great with the highest attendance recorded to date. What a beautiful day for golfing followed by the downpour of rain the following day for the trapshooting. Thank you to everyone who attended and made the event fun and meaningful.

A reminder about our UGWA scholarship program that is funded by the Scholarship Auction held recently in Mesquite. The auction raises money

that we put directly towards educational scholarships for any child or grandchild of members of our UGWA that have been a member for at least 2 years. The \$2,000 scholarship awards can be used at any college, university, technical, or trade school. Scholarship applications are due in June, and you can find more information about this on our UGWA website.

There are many ways to help and serve as a member on the UGWA board. Please reach out to me if you would like to get involved. This is a great opportunity to see what UGWA offers and help with future decision making, shaping, and improving our organization.

Michael Anzalone
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Joke of the Month:

I once had a job drilling holes for water*IT WAS BORING!!!!*

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- A. CONTRACTOR/PUMP INSTALLER:** Any person doing business and licensed to drill, either water wells or ground water monitoring.
- B. MANUFACTURER/SUPPLIER:** Any person engaged in the manufacturing and/or sale of equipment, or materials used in the ground water industry.
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- C. TECHNICAL:** Any hydrologist, geologist, or engineer involved in teaching, research, consulting and or government services associated with the ground water industry.
- D. ASSOCIATE:** Any person engaged in the support of the UGWA who does not accurately fit in any of the above.
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UGWA Scholarship Program

Instructions for Application

The UGWA Scholarship Fund is made available to assist and encourage the education of qualified active UGWA members, their spouse, children and/or grandchildren.

The Program is funded by donations from UGWA Members and the Mountain States Ground Water Association. The fundraising auction held at the annual UGWA Conference & Expo is enthusiastically supported by our members and all proceeds benefit this program.

ELIGIBILITY:

- * **An** active UGWA member, their spouse, child or grandchild;
- * **And** the sponsoring UGWA member has been in good standing for a minimum of two (2) consecutive years prior to application;
- * **And** a student who is currently enrolled or planning to enroll within 6 months from award, in a full-time course of study at an accredited two or four year college, university or vocational-technical school;
- * **And** who is accepted by that institution during the year which the scholarship is given;
- * **And** have completed the Association's scholarship application with required supporting documentation;
- * **And** complete application is postmarked by June 15 of each calendar year in which scholarships are awarded;
- * **And** have not previously received 4 scholarships from this fund.

HOW TO APPLY: You must submit all information in the format you feel will best show your achievements and accomplishments during your scholastic career. Scholarship selection will be based on the following information submitted for review:

Fully Completed UGWA Scholarship Application Cover Sheet;
Academic Record/Grade Transcripts from the most recent school year;
Minimum of 3 Current Written Recommendations from Teachers, Advisers, etc.; **Each reference must be dated (6 months or less) and be signed. (each must be a separate document)**
Application Essay which will include:
 Extracurricular Activities and Leadership Experience;
 Community Service
 Educational and Career Goals;
 Work Experience and History.

DEADLINE: All applications must be **Postmarked no later than June 15th**. Incomplete applications will not be considered. All submittals will be confidential. No UGWA members will be directly involved in the selection process.

SCHOLARSHIP AWARD: The scholarship award will be in the amount of \$2,000. The number of awards will be based upon the funds available in the Association's Scholarship Fund. Scholarship awards will be based upon the merit of the applicant and the selection process will be made by an independent auditor such as the Salt Lake Community College, Office of Financial Aid.

All awards will be made by check payable jointly to the student and the sponsoring member and must be endorsed by both. A maximum of 4 annual scholarships are available to any one applicant unless the applicant is obtaining an advanced degree or furthering their education in a related field to the association at which time they may receive a scholarship for an additional 2 years, not to exceed a maximum of 6 years total.

"NEW" Presidential Scholarship: The Presidential Scholarship is for those students enrolled in a field of study that directly effects our industry. To apply, include a separate letter indicating your desire for this scholarship, your field of study and how it applies to our industry. The awarded student will receive an additional \$1,000.

DEFERAL: In the event community/civil service prevents an applicant from timely submitting an application for a current school year, consideration may be given for a future year's scholarship. The applicant must submit a request and explanation for deferred consideration, along with any supporting documentation, with their completed application. Deferral requests will be reviewed on a case by case basis by the current sitting UGWA Board.

SUBMIT COMPLETE APPLICATION TO:

Utah Ground Water Association
11730 E 14450 N, Mount Pleasant UT 84647
or **Email to Admin@UtahGroundWater.org**

NOTE: If selected, you will be asked to provide: applicant's date of birth, social security number and a 4x6 photograph prior to the receipt of funds.

UGWA Scholarship Application
Cover Sheet

ABOUT THE APPLICANT

NAME: _____
first middle last

ADDRESS: _____
street address

city state zip

EMAIL: _____

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Moab Professional Education Day & Summer Retreat June 4th—6th, 2026

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Thursday, June 4th

Noon-5pm Golf Outing Just Show Up! The Hideout GC , 648 S Hideout Way, Monticello UT

5:30pm BBQ and Social *sponsored by TBD Old City Park, 2231 Elk Cir Moab UT*

Friday, June 5th

8am Registration

9am **Utah Rules & Regulations** *presented by Jim Goddard PG, Utah Division of Water Rights*

10:15am Break

10:45am **Geology Tour**

12pm Lunch, *sponsored by TBA*

Saturday, June 6th

8am-Noon ATV Ride **Lunch** *sponsored by Franklin Electric*

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Callers must identify themselves by providing the group code **UGWA2026** for The Utah Ground Water Association to ensure they receive the appropriate rate and are included in the guestroom block.

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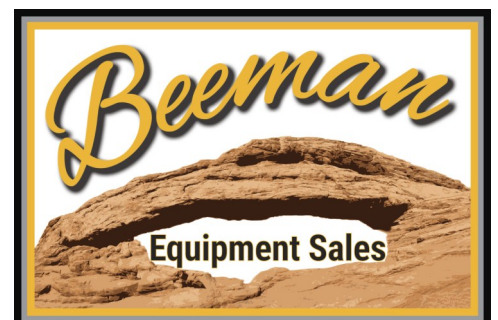
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