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Wyoming Water Well Contractor's Licensing News

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WWCB Website Changes!

The Water Well Contractors Board made some changes to their website in October. <u>http://wwcb.state.wy.us</u> The contractor search has been upgraded and now offers several ways to locate licensed contractors. The new search parameters allow you to search by first or last name, business name, address, city, state, zip code, license number, designation and phone number. It will give you all the licensed contractors for each town and will give you all the licensed contractors for each company if you search by business name etc. We hope that it will be more user friendly and help public members locate the information needed when looking for licensed contractors. Please take a look and let the Board Office know if any information needs changed.

Best Practices Suggested: Pitless Adapter Installations!



When installing pitless adapters it is important to use the proper sized bit. If the pitless adapter is not seated correctly is can cause an inadequate seal and leaks may occur and wash out the brass making it unrepairable. It can put undue stress on the drop pipe and plumbing causing leaks or breakage. An improperly installed pitless causes misalignment and in most cases has to be "dug up" to perform the necessary repairs which in turn is costly for the consumer. Info by Board Member Steve Barbour

Why Consumers Hire One Contractor Over Another!

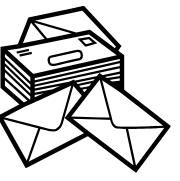
Industry veterans will tell you it's not all about price. According to several studies out this spring, customers are motivated by a variety of factors in choosing contracting professionals including convenience, a desire for more free time and expectations of great results.

Customers want to hire a pro. We all know this, but

sometimes we let things slip. We forget to return phone calls or we neglect keeping our equipment in top condition. Know that customers really do "judge a book by its cover", so you should strive to always be playing your A-game. Expertise matters. Consumers expect professionals to know the latest products and be up to date on the latest trends. More than ever, they do their homework and you should too. Results count. Consumers rely on professionals to bring better products and a commitment to seeing the job done right. Great contracting businesses are built on delivering what the customer expects. *Author unknown

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Letter from the Executive Director



It's that time of year again when the State Engineer's Office (SEO) sends out letters to public members with notification of permits expiring. Public members who are unable to fill out and submit the U.W. 6 Statement of Completion call their well drillers. When they don't receive a response they call the Board Office and ask for

assistance in getting the information needed to complete can now be put on the U.W. 8 their permit process. As most of you know, the Licensing Board requires contractors to submit the appropriate forms to the SEO in the given time frame as required by W.S. 41-3-935 with the full support from the State Engineer. (See attached memo which can also be viewed on the Boards Website)

Pump installation information Beneficial Use form if drilling contractors are not installing the pump they can submit the U.W. 6 without the pump information. The Board Office appreciates licensed contractors due diligence in sending these forms to the SEO. Until next time! Stay safe.

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DID YOU KNOW!

7 Things Entrepreneurs Should Consider when Running a Business! Contributor: Jeffrey Hayzlett ----Continued! Here are 3 & 4, more to come:

Growing up, we spend a lot of time being told what to do by our parents. Now, as parents (and grandparents) ourselves, we spend a lot of time telling our kids and grandkids what to do and what not to do. But, have we ever taken a step back to think what our kids can teach us?

As entrepreneurs, we find inspiration in any number of places, so why not our kids? They may lack specific expertise, but they do have a few traits that haven't been jaded by adulthood, like taking risks, being bold and being assertive. They are also sponges that absorb everything they see and hear, so why not apply those practices to our business lives?

So, here, are a few lessons kids can teach us entrepreneur dads (and moms) about life and growing our companies:

3. Fell off the horse? Get back up.

What's the first thing we tell our kids when they fall and scrape their knee? Exactly the same thing we tell others on our team when they make a mistake, "It's okay. Get up!" In life, and business, we'll stumble every once in a while, and that's how we learn. If you meet someone who only talks about, "Win, win, win," you've just met a liar. I don't care who you are; we've all stumbled and scraped our knee.

Sure, it stinks and sometimes it even stings, but guess what? No one died. The world didn't fall off its axis. Put your pride aside and get ready to learn something after failing. Kids do it on a regular basis, why not you?

4. Don't judge.

Initially, children aren't judgmental, unless you give them a reason to be. As a business person, you shouldn't be judgmental, either. If you're the CEO of a company, the first thing you need to recognize is that your voice alone isn't the only one that matters. Gone are the days where the boss' word was the only one that mattered.

The workplace has changed in the last decade or so, and now we enjoy a more collaborative environment -- where the boss includes the rest of the team in decisions that affect the company. Different opinions -- or differences of opinion -- aren't necessarily a bad thing. As entrepreneurs, we are already equipped with a certain open-mindedness and have been known to try new things and new ways of doing things.

If you operate your own venture with a "my way or the highway" mentality, you'll be stuck in the Mad Men era. It may have looked great on TV, but it's not all that great in real life. Don't be afraid to be openminded. Your brain won't disintegrate.

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Calendar

Continuing education opportunities for March and April: The codes in the first column are as follows:

WWWA – Wyoming Water Well Association

NGWA – National Ground Water Association

NWDA - Nebraska Well Drillers Association

CWWCA – Colorado Water Well Contractors Association

WARWS – Wyoming Association of Rural Water Systems

WWA- Wyoming Water Association

WWQ & PCA – Wyoming Water Quality & Pollution Control Association

The topic, date, time and location are given. Please refer to each respective association's website for more information on how to register, and/or for future educational opportunities.

BIDP – Baroid Industrial Drilling Products

AGWT – American Ground Water Trust

SEDC - Shallow Exploration Drillers Clinic

ISWD - International School of Well Drilling

CPS - CPD Distributors

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS October

AGWT	Educational Videos and Books	Website	www.AGWT.org
ISWD	International School of Well Drilling Online Courses	Website	welldrillingschool.com
NGWA	Introduction to Groundwater Resources (#1012)	Website	Online self-paced course
NGWA	Best Suggested Practice for Residential and Other Smaller Diameter – Well Cleaning	Webinar	October 19, 2016
NGWA	Understanding Electronic Logging Devices and How they will Affect Your Business	Webinar	October 26, 2016
WWQPCA	WY Water Quality & Pollution Control Assoc. Conference	Casper, WY	October 24 – 28, 2016

If you have any training opportunities you would like to be published in this newsletter please send them to the Board office.

Next Board Meeting scheduled for January 18, 2017, Parkway Plaza, Casper at 10:00 am.

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Be a professional, call yourself a professional, work like a professional, and demand the same from everyone in your profession!

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