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JULY 2026

UPCOMING EVENTS

FWQA Fall Education
November 6, 2026
Ocala Hilton

WQA Convention
April 28-30, 2027
Phoenix, AZ

FWQA Convention
June 22-24 2027
Caribe Royale Resort
Orlando, FL

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Protect and Serve:

A Father's Perspective on What Truly Matters

As a proud father of a first-year police officer, the phrase **"Protect and Serve"** carries deep personal meaning for me. Every time my daughter puts on her uniform and heads out the door, I'm reminded of the weight of that commitment — the daily courage it takes to stand between danger and the people she's sworn to protect.

That same spirit of service lives strongly in our industry as well.

At the Florida Water Quality Association (FWQA), **Protect and Serve** isn't just a policy or a slogan — it's the heartbeat of what we do every single day. Just as my daughter protects her community, we protect one of life's most essential resources: clean, safe water for Florida families.

A Shared Calling

Watching my daughter grow into her role as a police officer has given me a fresh appreciation for the word "service." She serves with honor, integrity, and a willingness to show up when others need her most. In many ways, that mirrors the dedication I see across our FWQA membership.

We protect Florida's families by delivering reliable water treatment solutions that remove contaminants, reduce hardness, and guard against emerging concerns like PFAS. We serve our communities by educating homeowners, responding quickly after storms, and maintaining systems that deliver peace of mind with every glass of water.

Whether we're installing a whole-house softening system for a young family or helping a business maintain water quality standards, we are on the front lines — just like our law enforcement officers — quietly safeguarding public health and quality of life.

Personal Pride and Professional Purpose

As a father, I feel immense pride seeing my daughter live out the "Protect and Serve" values. That same pride swells when I see FWQA members doing the same in their own way. Our work may not make the evening news, but it matters deeply. Every home we help, every business we support, and every child who grows up with safer water is a victory worth celebrating.

This personal connection has strengthened my commitment to our association. It reminds me that true service isn't measured by spotlight or recognition — it's measured by the quiet, consistent impact we make in people's lives.

Let's Recommit Together

As we move past this year's **FWQA Convention & Trade Show**, I encourage every member — whether technician, business owner, or supplier — to embrace this shared mission. Let's carry forward the same pride, dedication, and sense of purpose that first responders bring to their work.

Protect and Serve is more than what we do. It's who we are.

I'm proud to be the father of a police officer. And I'm equally proud to be part of an association that lives these values every day.

Don Grace Proud FWQA President & Father of Police Officer

Did you get to *RELATE* to our awesome exhibitors?



AdeptPlus Web Marketing
 AO Smith
 Aqua Finance
 Aqua Systems/ Hellenbrand
 Aqua Wholesale
 AQ-Matic
 Black Opal Carbon
 Blumelo Water
 Cargill Salt
 Charger Water Treatment Products
 Coast Pump Water Technologies
 Corro-Protec
 EMEC Pumps
 Enpress LLC
 Fluid Systems and Controls
 Foundation Finance Company
 G A Murdock
 Goodleap
 H2O Filter Warehouse
 Hydronix Water Technology
 Hydrotech– Canature Water Group
 John Guest / RWC
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 Morton Salt
 Nelsen Corporation
 Penguin Water
 Pentair Water Solutions
 Preferred Pump
 Pro Products, LLC
 Pure & Gentle Soap
 Puromax
 Redford Supply Co
 Rusco of Brooksville
 Safeway Water
 Scotwood Industries
 Service Titan
 Stenner Pump Company
 Unco
 Viqua
 Water Guard
 Watersprint
 Water Treatment Warehouse
 Watts Water Quality
 WQA



Welcome to Our NEW Members

FWQA serving the Water Conditioning and Purification Industry since 1975!

● Agua Con Proposito Corp.
● Abelardo Sanchez
● 410 N Orange Ave Apt. 812
● Orlando, FL 32801

● Blackbit Drilling
● Carrie W Blackburn
● P O Box 3998
● Lake Wales, FL 33859

● Blumelo Water
● Thomas Zhong
● 5201 Eden Ave Suite 300
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● Clear Inc.
● Mr Gil Blutrigh
● 151 SE 1st Street Suite 300
● Miami, FL 33131

● ClearQuest Water Solutions
● Abigail Brownell
● 26246 Wesley Chapel Blvd. Ste. 37
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● Erik DeLaney
● 650 2nd Lane
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● 3940 SE 45th Court
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FWQA CONVENTION AND TRADE SHOW THIS YEAR WAS OUTSTANDING! (FOR EVEN MORE PICTURES CHECK OUT FWQA.COM)

OUR CONVENTION SPONSORS

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ANNUAL MEETING AND INDUSTRY UPDATE



WE LEARNED TO RELATE IN SO MANY WAYS!

**STADIUM CLUB RECEPTION
THANK YOU TO OUR SPONSORS
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**EDUCATION SEMINARS
WE WERE PROUD TO OFFER 1.0 WQA CREDITS FOR OUR
SEMINARS THIS YEAR!**



FWQA CELEBRATES OUR INDUSTRY AWARD WINNERS FOR 2026

HALL OF FAME AWARD

The Hall of Fame Award is awarded to individuals who over a long period of time have contributed their time and resources to the betterment of the Water Treatment Industry.

Ray Gregory, Affordable Conditioners

A member of FWQA for over 20 years and an active Board member representing FWQA at many events through the years. Ray has been instrumental in encouraging new dealers and promoting education for our industry.



DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD

The Distinguished Service Award is presented to a person or organization who goes above and beyond the call of duty during the past year.

John Ladue, Complete Water Systems

Always jumping in for anything the association needs from instructing classes to manning golf tournament events and going on legislative visits. John is always serving FWQA.



OUTSTANDING SERVICE AWARD

The Outstanding Service Award is typically presented to a person who has over the last year raised significant amount of money for this association.

Todd Mosteller, Charger Water

Todd has chaired the golf tournament for many years, and it has been an important part of FWQA's financial operating income.



PRESIDENT'S AWARD

Given by the President to recognize someone who has quietly supported the association to help make FWQA outstanding.

Cindy Schieber, Stenner Pump Company

Supporting the President and covering many needs for FWQA quietly and always professionally. A big promoter of FWQA to non-members and recruiting new members.



Announcing the recipients of our annual Scholarships for this year.

This year, we have three outstanding applicants who were selected from a highly competitive pool of applicants from our member companies, demonstrating exceptional academic dedication, community leadership, and resilience. The scholarship program was established to help alleviate financial barriers for students pursuing higher education. Recipients are selected by an independent committee based on academic merit, personal essays, and their commitment to making a positive impact in their communities.

Meet the This Year's Scholarship Recipients:



Ainsley Crites graduated from State College of Florida Collegiate School in Venice, FL. She not only has her high school diploma, but also has completed her Associate degree. She will be attending Florida Gulf Coast University to prepare to apply for medical school.



Olivia West graduated from Lowndes High School. She plans to attend Tallahassee State College and pursue a degree in athletic training or sports medicine.



Daniel Fernandez Moraes is our first recipient for a scholarship directly related to WQA Certification. Daniel applied for the scholarship to help cover the cost of the WQA Certified Installer Course- a one-year program. He is currently enrolled and we look forward to his completion and applying it to servicing his water treatment customers.

We were pleased to have WQA President, Greg Reyneke with us to present the award to Daniel, along with Don Grace, President and Jami West, Immediate Past President.

FWQA 2026– 2027 Board of Directors



L to R Don Grace, Nick Mahle, Jami West John Ladue, Josh Harris, Christian Zunk, Dakota Allen and Jake Roche.

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Our Mission

To promote increased use of industry products and services, to foster and maintain the professional competency of water treatment professionals, and work with governments, other organizations and the public on issues affecting water quality. Serving the water industry since 1975

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