

OAWU Instructor/Speaker Information Sheet

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SPEAKER

Name: Nicole Alfafara

Employer: OHA-DWS

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SPEAKER CREDENTIALS/BIOGRAPHY (Short paragraph describing background, education, experience, etc.)

Nicole is a Drinking Water Specialist with the Oregon Health Authority-Drinking Water Service (OHA-DWS) Program. She has a Bachelors in Environmental Science and Chemistry, a Masters in Toxicology and is a PhD Candidate in Environmental Management. She has served as a science educator for diverse audiences ranging from 7th graders to environmental professionals for 10+ years. She has served as a research assistant in both the grasslands of New Zealand and in a dozen of lakes troubled with harmful algal blooms. She has worked for public drinking water systems in Minnesota and Oregon and spent some time at a county health department in Detroit MI sampling beaches, rivers, and pools. In her current role with OHA-DWS she serves as technical resource to public drinking water systems on water quality, treatment, distribution, and operational issues and provides regulatory assistance by evaluating and educating compliance with standards.

She is an outdoor enthusiast, Kansas City Chiefs fan, sad Portland Trailblazer fan, coffeeholic, chocoholic, connoisseur of fine and boxed wine, and proud dog mom.

5/3/2023

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Name: Megan Anders

Employer: Endress+Hauser USA

Address:

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SPEAKER CREDENTIALS/BIOGRAPHY (Short paragraph describing background, education, experience, etc.)

We are pleased to welcome Megan Anders, a Regional Sales Manager for the Pacific Northwest and Rocky Mountain Region. Megan is located in the Denver, CO area and has been an integral part of the company for the past five years. Her journey began in technical support and the service team, where she spent three years troubleshooting and repairing instrumentation in the field. Following her time in service, she supports Liquid Analysis from the Sales and Application side as a Product Business Manager for Liquid Analysis in the Western Region. She is currently getting her masters in Sustainable System Engineering for the University of Wisconsin - Madison. Outside of her professional life, Megan is an avid hiker, a passionate painter, and enjoys playing volleyball. Please join us in welcoming Megan as she shares her insights and expertise with us today.

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Name: Vaughn Barber

Employer: Kennedy/M&H Valve

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SPEAKER CREDENTIALS/BIOGRAPHY (Short paragraph describing background, education, experience, etc.)

I am currently District Sales Manager for Kennedy and M&H Valve covering OR, WA, N.ID and AK since May 2022. I started my career in water with the City of Washougal in 2004 and held several maintenance positions through the years and Water Supervisor since 2008. I have concentrated on distribution system operation and repairs and currently hold Washington state WDM4, CCS and WTPO1 certifications. Outside of work I enjoy spending time outdoors with my wife and raising our 3 boys.

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Name: Levi Beachy

Employer: City of Tillamook

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Email: lbeachy@tillamookor.gov

SPEAKER CREDENTIALS/BIOGRAPHY (Short paragraph describing background, education, experience, etc.)

I am the Water Treatment Plant Supervisor for The City of Tillamook
16 years as an operator
T2 with FE, D2, WW collections 2

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Name: Mark Bentz

Employer: Oregon Department of Environmental Quality

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SPEAKER CREDENTIALS/BIOGRAPHY (Short paragraph describing background, education, experience, etc.)

Mark Bentz is a Water Quality Compliance Specialist at the Oregon Department of Environmental Quality in Portland, Oregon. He's a DMR Reviewer for Northwest Region and since 2019, he's worked with wastewater facilities on their reporting methods. When he's not reading water reports, he is also tasked with enforcements, inspections, and investigations. After work, Mark Bentz has been coaching youth sports for two decades, presently with Milwaukie High School Swim. During a successful Army career spanning over 23 years, First Sergeant (retired) Bentz led front line soldiers and specialized in leadership, reconnaissance, and security. Mark graduated with honors in June 2018 from Marylhurst University with a BA in science and environmental science.

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SPEAKER

Scott Berry

OAWU Circuit Rider

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SPEAKER CREDENTIALS

(Short paragraph describing background, education, experience, etc.)

Scott Berry has been employed by the Oregon Association of Water Utilities since 2004 as a Training Specialist, Circuit Rider/Programs Manager. In this capacity, Scott was tasked with providing training and technical assistance to many utilities in Oregon. Scott has additional experience as the Manager of Luckiamute Domestic Water Cooperative. LDWC is a geographically large system with a distribution area of over 265 square miles. He worked as an operator in Iraq where he provided the U.S. military bases as well as native towns and villages with much the same service as provided by OAWU. In Iraq he gained experience as a Reverse Osmosis Water Treatment Plant Operator as well as troubleshooting, maintaining, and installing water distribution systems. Additionally, Scott has been involved and trained with the local Fire Department and County Sheriff's office in all aspects involving emergencies and hazardous operations.

Scott Berry via email

Signature on file.

1/07/2017

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Name: Tim Bresnahan

Employer: Silversmith Inc.

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SPEAKER CREDENTIALS/BIOGRAPHY (Short paragraph describing background, education, experience, etc.)

Tim connects municipalities with powerful and easy-to-use GIS/Asset Management tools. delivering tailored solutions built on a foundation of understanding their unique needs.

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Name: Simon Cartwright

Employer: Xylem-Flygt

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SPEAKER CREDENTIALS/BIOGRAPHY (Short paragraph describing background, education, experience, etc.)

Simon Cartwright joined Xylem-Flygt Portland as the municipal project representative in October 2011. Prior to this he worked at Orenco systems for 5 years culminating as the Eastern Regional Manager, supporting their business partners east of the Rocky Mountain and internationally (Canada and South Pacific) specializing in residential on-site treatment. A native of Australia, Simon served 10 years in the Royal Australian Navy, working in both the electrical and mechanical engineering fields. After the military, he worked in engineering sales for Flygt in Australia between 1997 and 2005, helping engineers design, install, and maintain private and municipal wastewater treatment, pump stations and control systems. Simon also owned and operated a bookstore for seven years, so he's well-grounded in business management. Simon came to Oregon to be closer to his wife's family, and spend much of his time experimenting with growing Perigord truffles at his home orchard located in Cottage Grove.

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