S&WB Water Towers Create New Skyline on South Claiborne Avenue and Panola Street

This new two million gallon water tower is one of two currently being constructed at the Carrollton Water Plant. These two massive structures will stand 200 feet high when completed, and will certainly create a new skyline along South Claiborne Avenue and on Panola Street.

But these structures are not just additional water storage tanks. These towers will allow
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the Board to continue to provide water to the city for periods of up to 45 minutes in the case of a complete loss of electrical power.

In 2014, the Sewerage and Water Board of New Orleans with financial assistance from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) began the design phase of the $48 million Water Hammer Hazard Mitigation Project.

“Water Hammer” is the transient surge of water pressure caused by intermittent losses in power to the water facility. The shockwaves created in the system can cause damage which can eventually lead to water main breaks and the loss of potable water. Simply stated, in laymen terminology, “water hammer” occurs when water in a pipe comes to a sudden stop, causing the lines to vibrate strongly and creating a loud hammering noise.

The water towers are a major proactive measure that the Board has undertaken to ensure that our customers and families continue to receive high quality water every day.

The towers are expected to be completed in mid-2018.

PENSION FACTS

Who are the Employee and Board of Directors Trustees?

Fact: These are the names of the Employee Trustees: Mr. Christopher Bergeron (replaced Harold Heller), Mr. Marvin Russell, Ms. Chante’ Powell-Pierre (replaced Gerald Tilton) and Mr. John Wilson. The following are Board of Directors Trustees: Mr. Joseph Peychaud, Interim Chair; and Mr. Ralph Johnson. Recently engaged as the Chief Investment Officer, for the Pension Committee Trustees, to work with the Pension Consultant and the Pension Actuary is Dr. Tim Viezer.

Dr. Viezer has been instrumental in the development of various agenda items which includes the development of an Asset-Liability Study by developing an RFP to hire a consultant to perform a needed overdue task for the Plan. Through his efforts, the Board of Trustees has adopted the following: Code of Conduct, Code of Ethics, and Investment policy Statement. At a recent meeting, our Actuary, Mr. Michael Conefry, gave an Actuarial Report stating that the Plan’s Funded Ratio increased from 80.7% to 81.3% in 2016. This is of course good news. However, the strategy via the Asset Liability Study is to increase this Funded Ration to 100%.

The Employee Trustees will soon be planning Rank and File Employee meetings to keep you informed on the status of our Pension Plan Assets.

The Employee Trustees on the Pension Committee wish everyone a HAPPY HOLIDAY SEASON!
Pretty-Ugly Sweater Day

Looking for an occasion to wear that unusual sweater that stands out a little too much for your taste. Let’s make Thursday, December 21st “Pretty-Ugly Sweater Day.”

Human Resources Conducts A Super Interview Fair

Living Green, Thinking Green

Consider a convection oven. This type of oven uses a fan to drive heat rapidly from source to food so it cooks 25% faster than a conventional oven.

SAFETY FIRST

Many work-related injuries and illnesses occur because a worker is tired, burned out and not alert to their surroundings. Taking regular breaks helps you stay fresh on the job. One trick to staying alert is to schedule the most difficult tasks when your concentration is best, like first thing in the morning.

Deril T. Valdery and David Lockett of the Networks Division interview candidate for employment

The Sewerage and Water Board’s Human Resources Department conducted the first ever large-scale Interview Fair at the Superdome on November 1st. The event gave managers and supervisors from several different departments the opportunity to interview multiple candidates on the same day.
APPOINTMENTS & PROMOTIONS

APPOINTMENTS

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Dennis M. Carr, Jr.
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Jessandra M. Carter
Angela M. Cobbins
Siemone A. Davenport
Fredrick Everett
Jonathan Foster
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Nichollas C. Lawrence
Sade C. Lewis
Lauren A. Lopez
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Donald McField
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Gregory J. Price III
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Senior City Planner
Engineering Technician
Laborer
Water Service Inspector 1
Laborer
Water Service Inspector 1
Networks Maint. Technician 1
Engineering Technician
Construction Project Manager
Water Service Inspector 1
Water Service Inspector 1
Water Service Inspector 1
Laborer
Utilities Plant Worker
Auditor
Laborer
Laborer
Water Service Inspector 1
Construction Project Manager
Networks Maint. Technician 1
Mgmt. Development Specialist
Engineering Technician
Utility Services Manager
Laborer
Laborer
SWB Requisition Team Lead
Utilities Plant Worker
Utilities Plant Worker
Networks Maint. Technician 1
Water Service Inspector 1
Water Service Inspector 1
Laborer
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Engineering Technician
Laborer
SWB Contract Manager
Networks Maint. Technician 1
Laborer

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Office Assistant 3
Office Assistant 2
Accountant 2
Water Purification Operator
Laborer
Accountant 3
Net. Senior Maintenance Tech
Utilities Maintenance Trainee
Net. Quality Assur. & Safety Ins.
Networks Maintenance Tech 1
Admin. Support Supervisor 1
Net. Senior Maintenance Tech
Office Assistant 2
Utilities Plant Worker

Net. Master Maintenance Tech
Office Assistant 4
Office Assistant 3
Mgmt. Development Specialist
Water Purification Operator
Networks Maintenance Technician 1
Chief Accountant
Net. Master Maintenance Tech
Utilities Maintenance Technician 3
Net. Quality Assur. & Safety Ins.
Networks Maintenance Tech 2
Admin. Support Supervisor 2
Networks Master Maintenance Tech
Office Assistant 3
Pumping Plant Operator

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