

## **Herbert "Court" Young**

1. What year did you become a resident of Lookout Mountain Water District?

I moved to Lookout Mountain in 1964 with my parents. My wife and I bought my parent's house in 1982 and raised our family there.

2. Your career and professional background:

I am a geologist. I worked with my father in the development of water and water rights in Colorado and the western United States for many years. I have written several books on water, water rights and the impact of terrorism on water supply systems. I consult in the field of water and water rights with several clients.

3. Family, interests, community/HOA/Lateral:

Our house is located in Paradise Hills. While my wife and I own the house, our daughter and son-in-law are residing there under a lease with an option. We hope to have a third generation living out their lives in a great community and a very special part of Colorado.

4. Why would you like to serve on the Board for the next four years?

I feel very privileged to have served on the LMWD board since 2002. I would like to serve on the board and help continue the work on a safe, secure physical and legal water supply which is the foundation for this special community.

5. What do you think are the District's strong points?

From the time the water supply system was acquired from the City of Golden in 1988, LMWD has accomplished much, through the dedication of board members and staff. One of the strong points of the District has always been, and is currently, a board which works well together along with a customer base that appreciates the high quality of our water supply.

6. What do you think are the District's weak points?

LMWD is a geographically large water district with a small customer base. This limits the district financially. We are limited by our physical and legal supply of water and thus do not have the capability to raise funds by selling water taps or additional water, which are traditional sources of funding for water suppliers.

7. What do you think is the District's greatest challenge, in the near term?

The district needs to continue the work being done on the development of additional water rights and storage at our main water supply reservoir. This multi-year project should yield an additional 100 acre-feet of storage and water rights which will make both our physical and legal supply more secure. In addition, LMWD needs to continue working with lateral owners and our customers to improve water use metering, water conservation and leak detection throughout the system.

8. What do you think is the District's greatest challenge, in the far term?

There are numerous laterals, owned by homeowners, which take water from the LMWD main transmission line. Paradise Hills, which serves 40% of LMWD customer base, has very good water supply system but many other laterals are in need of updating. The long term challenge for LMWD and

its customers is to find a way to make all of the laterals conform to current specifications so there is a consistent standard of water service and supply for both drinking and fire protection throughout the district.

9. What areas will you most focus on during your term?

My focus through this next term will be on the water rights and water supply project that is being undertaken by the District. When this project is completed, the district should have a much more secure legal and physical water supply for its customers, as well as protection against the periodic droughts which occur in our semi-arid state.