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## THE CHAIRMAN'S CORNER

BY RANDOLPH RAKOCZYNSKI



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As the snow begins to melt and we begin to enjoy some sunnier and warmer weather, the planning efforts for two of the Niagara Frontier Section's major events – Envirun and our Annual Seminar – are in full swing. Please do all that you and your organization can in helping us make these two events the rousing successes that they have been in years past.

This year's Envirun 5k Race is a major milestone event – our 20th Annual – that will be held on Saturday, April 24, 2010 on Goat Island, Niagara Falls, NY. Please try to participate as either a runner (if you are in shape to jog the 3.1 mile distance) or as a walker (a more leisure stroll of the 5k course which is by far the most scenic 5k course in Western New York). If you choose not to run or walk the course, you can participate as a volunteer on race day – helping out with runner registration, race course traffic control or the post-race party and cleanup activities. If you cannot attend the race – you can still help us with a donation from your organization as a Corporate Sponsor of the race. Remember that all proceeds from Envirun go to funding worthwhile environmental projects in our area.

The Annual Seminar will be held on Wednesday, April 28, 2010 at the Hearthstone Manor. The Seminar Committee has put together an educational and informative group of talks on topics ranging from renewable/sustainable energy alternatives to innovative / "green" remediation projects and biomass-to-energy and biodiesel production projects. A total of fourteen (14) informative and interesting presentations will be given – many of which will carry PDH credit for continuing education requirements for P.E. license renewals. Please consider attending the seminar and if at all possible we encourage your organization to be a Corporate Sponsor of the Seminar (a fee of \$ 250) or be an exhibitor (a fee of \$ 350 – which entitles you to two "free" registrations for Seminar participants). A fee of \$ 500 provides Corporate Sponsorship as well as exhibit space at the Seminar and "free" registration for three people from your organization.

**Please try to help us out as best you can – these are our primary and only means by which funds are provided for our scholarship, education and environmental awareness projects.**

**Randy Rakoczynski**

**Chair – A&WMA – Niagara Frontier Section**

## Next Meeting

- Date:** March 25, 2010  
**Time:** 5:30 Social Hour/  
 Cash Bar  
 6:30 Dinner  
**Place:** Salvatore's Italian Gardens  
 6461 Transit Road  
 Depew, NY  
**Menu Choice:** Chicken Parmigiana, Penne ala Roma ,  
 Poached Salmon / Prime Rib 10oz., Cash Bar will provide Cheese and Crackers.  
**Cost:** \$35.00 Local Members  
 \$30.00 Intl. Members  
 \$10.00 Students



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# 2010 Annual Enrichment Seminar

Steve Drozdowski

## “Training for Environmental Professionals”

**Mark the date “April 28, 2010”.** It’s our annual environmental seminar being held again at the Hearthstone in Depew, N.Y. It’s also the 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Earth Day! The AWMA seminar committee has put together what we think will be an excellent opportunity for all environmental professionals to learn about the latest in regulations or technology, gather literature and business cards from the various attendees, sponsors and exhibitors, or network with fellow environmental professionals. Topics include: 18 Mile Creek RAP, Marcellus Shale, Biomass, Tonawanda Air, Solar Energy, Lakeside Commerce Park, Climate Change, Green Remediation and many more educational sessions.

Although this is an AWMA sponsored seminar, it is open to anyone interested in environmental issues, compliance, programming, etc. If you know of any person, company or organization that is not an individual or corporate member of AWMA and believe they could benefit from our seminar please take the time to invite them to our annual “Training for Environmental Professionals” seminar. The TSC Calendar of Events, upcoming AWMA newsletters and meeting announcements, and our website will provide further details. We would like to see all AWMA-NFS members attend and/or support this seminar. Please consider sponsoring, exhibiting and/or attending our seminar on this the 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Earth Day! Remember, the profits go towards funding environmental scholarships, projects and other worthwhile causes!

***Steve Drozdowski***

*AWMA Seminar Chairman*

The image shows the Facebook logo, which consists of the word "facebook" in white lowercase letters on a blue rectangular background.

The Niagara Frontier Section of the Air & Waste Management Association is now on Facebook thanks to the efforts of our historian, Elsa Schmidt. We can be found by typing AWMA-NFS in search box on Facebook.



***Saturday, April 24, 2010***

AWMA's 20<sup>th</sup> Annual 5K run for the environment will be here in a little more than a month. April 24 promises to be a cool, sunny day. We need your help in a big way as we try to push beyond the 420 runners and walkers we had last year, and double the money we raise for environmental causes in the community. Funds from Envirun '09 were awarded at the January meeting. A check for \$2,000 was presented to Julie Barrett O'Neill, Executive Director of Buffalo-Niagara RiverKeeper. The money will be used for sampling equipment for their newly donated boat. In addition a \$1,000 check was presented to Carmen Presti and Hal Pierce's niece, Kristen Handley. They are from the Primate Sanctuary in Niagara Falls where Kristen is a board member and Carmen is the vice president. See photos on this page, and check out their websites: [www.bnriverkeeper.org/](http://www.bnriverkeeper.org/) and [www.thekaratechimp.com/primatesanctuary.htm](http://www.thekaratechimp.com/primatesanctuary.htm).



We'd also like all of you to consider becoming corporate sponsors, donors, volunteers, runners and/or walkers. The race will be held on Goat Island, Niagara Falls, NY. The race route, certified by the USATF, is the same, however, this year it will begin and end on Goat Island near the Canadian Falls. Parking will be free, there will be music provided by Paul Kranz and his band "8 o'clock Friday. Food and drinks will be served. So please mark your calendar, and come enjoy ENVIRUN '10 on a beautiful spring day with family and friends. Register for the race at [www.active.com](http://www.active.com) or mail in an application. Contact Dharma Iyer (445-9684 or [iegpllc@aol.com](mailto:iegpllc@aol.com)) for more info.



## **2010 PROGRAM SCHEDULE**

**BY BRUCE WATTLE**



We have put together the following 2010 program for your enjoyment. I would like to remind members to please help support AWMA by cancelling reservations if you are unable to attend, as AWMA is charged for all reservations not cancelled.

<b>Date</b>	<b>Topic</b>	<b>Location</b>
March 25, 2010	Technical Societies Council Joint Meeting "Innovation- You can do it with Six Sigma"	Salvatore's Depew, NY
April 22, 2010	Mobile Source Air Pollution	Pearl Street Brewery Buffalo, NY
April 24, 2010	<b>20<sup>th</sup> Annual Environ</b>	Goat Island Niagara Falls, NY
April 28, 2010	Annual Seminar	Hearthstone Manor Depew, NY
May 20, 2010	Annual Awards Dinner	Beaver Island Casino Grand Island, NY
Jun/Jul/Aug 2010	Summer Social / Picnic	Cave-of-the-Winds Niagara Falls, NY

## **2010 High School**

### **Essay Contest**

Energy and the Environment: Changing Our Communities, Our Schools, and Our World



Calling all high school students! A&WMA is asking students in grades 9-12 nationwide to share their thoughts on environmental issues and to win great prizes. Students should choose ONE of the following subject areas as the focus of their essay: (1) alternative fuels, (2) greenhouse gas management, or (3) fossil fuels. The essay should discuss how this topic is changing the environment of their community, school, or a particular industry. Essays can be up to six pages in length and must be submitted to [awmaessay@gmail.com](mailto:awmaessay@gmail.com) by Earth Day, April 22, 2010.

The author of the best essay will receive a \$400 prize and a first place certificate, and will have an excerpt from his or her essay published in *Environmental Manager* Awards will be announced at the Student Award Ceremony during ACE 2010.

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