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## THE CHAIRMAN'S CORNER

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October brings the fall colors, Halloween candy and our first tour and joint meeting of the year. Randy Rakoczynski has organized a tour of an ethanol plant with dinner to follow at the Seneca Niagara Casino Hotel. The Ontario Section of A&WMA and the Association of Facilities Engineering have been invited to join us for our October 23 meeting.

Historically our monthly dinner meetings have been on the fourth Thursday of the month. The September meeting was on the third Thursday and experienced a lower attendance than normal. This years meetings will always be Thursdays but they bounce around due to holiday's and other potentially conflicting events, so please see the updated schedule on the meeting announcement and add our events to your calendar.

The membership specials announced last month will end at our October 23 meeting. Please see the Membership Committee report for more information.

Bruce Wattle and Charlie Porter are asking for volunteers to teach local teachers about non-point pollution the evening of November 6 at BOCES in West Seneca. Typically a group of about 5 members present five existing lessons that the teachers can take back and use in class with their students. This is one of the ways we provide a benefit to our community. Bruce and the Education Committee will be posting the 2009 Scholarship Applications on the website soon.

Several people recently asked me what the Board of Directors responsibilities are. Usually only people who are invited to join the Board ask this, but it is a good question. The Board meets the second Tuesday of the month at 7 AM for a breakfast meeting, where we discuss budgets, financial requests, the Seminar, our program events, scholarships, Envirun and other relevant topics. The minutes are posted on the website if you would like to see what is happening "behind the scenes."

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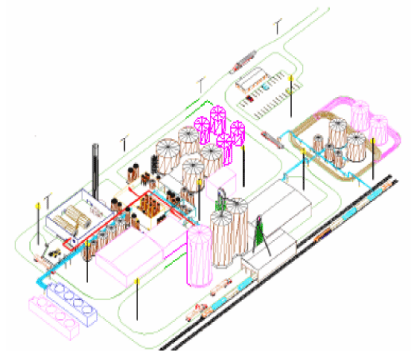
## Next Meeting

**Date:** October 23, 2008

**Place:** Seneca Niagara  
Casino  
Niagara Falls, NY

### Meeting Topic:

Ethanol Plant Tour in  
Medina followed by  
dinner in Niagara Falls  
(see meeting an  
nouncement for  
details)



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## MEMBERSHIP REMINDER

BY: MIKE HINTON, MEMBERSHIP CHAIR

The October meeting is rapidly approaching and with it the membership incentives offered by the Niagara Frontier Section will expire. The October meeting is scheduled for the 23<sup>rd</sup> at the Seneca Niagara Casino.

The Niagara Frontier Section for the A&WMA has three membership levels for you to choose from:

**Local Associate members** receive the monthly dinner meeting announcements, Section newsletters and reduced fees to local seminars and meetings. The cost of the Local Associate membership is \$20 if a new or renewal membership is received by the October dinner meeting. After the meeting the cost of membership is \$25. All Local Associate memberships will expire in September 2009.

**International members** will receive all the benefits of the local associates plus one journal (*Environmental Manager or the Journal of the A&WMA*), notification of continuing education opportunities, reduced fees for national classes/seminars/conferences and further reduced prices for local meetings. International Membership is \$180 annually for existing International members. Also, in order to become active on the Board of Directors or to be elected to any office you must be an International member. To encourage more interest in International membership, the dues for first time International members is reduced to \$100. In addition, until October 23, 2008, the Niagara Frontier Section will provide further incentives to join the International by covering \$25 of the new member fee, thereby reducing the initial cost for new International Members to \$75. To take advantage of the NFS incentive offer you must apply for International Membership by mailing an application and check to the A&WMA Membership, PO Box 384, Williamsville NY 14231-0384.

**Corporate Membership** is available that provides one International membership and one Local Associate membership in addition to providing support to the local scholarship programs for local students in environmental programs and educational outreach. The cost of a Corporate Membership is \$295 annually. To become a Corporate Member or to renew your Corporate Membership, please mail an application and check to the A&WMA Membership, PO Box 384, Williamsville NY 14231-0384.

Applications can be found at the A&WMA NFS web page at [www.awmanfs.org](http://www.awmanfs.org). Completed applications can be brought to the October 23<sup>rd</sup> meeting.

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The Air & Waste Management Association is our parent organization; I call it International A&WMA so not to confuse it with our Niagara Frontier Section which is commonly called just A&WMA. International A&WMA offers webinars to the membership. Upcoming webinars include, "Air Litigation Update" on 10/30/08, "Environmental Careers" on 11/06/08 which is geared towards students, "Air Quality Modeling: The Basics" on 11/18/08, "Revised NAAQS for Lead" on 12/11/08, and "Carbon Sequestration 101 on 01/12/09. If you are interested in hosting one of these, NFS may be able to help and will share it with our membership.

I would like to see our Section host the Environmental Careers webinar on 11/6. The problem, we need college students to attend. If you have or know someone with connections in a local college or university that could assist us please have them contact me.

## 2007-2008 PROGRAM SCHEDULE

BY RANDY RAKOCZYNSKI



We have put together the following 2008-2009 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. I would also like to thank Kathy Wager of Adirondack Environmental Services for continuing to take reservations, and Jill Banaszak of CWM Chemical Services for working the door of each meeting.

<u>Date</u>	<u>Topic</u>	<u>Location</u>
October 23, 2008	WNY Energy – Ethanol * Plant Tour (Medina, NY)	Seneca Niagara Casino (bus to plant tour)
November 6, 2008	Teach the Teacher Non Point Source Pollution	BOCES West Seneca
November 20, 2008	NYSDEC – CO <sub>2</sub> Regs * Update	Harry's Harbour Place
December 11, 2008	Christmas Social	To Be Determined (TBD)
January 22, 2009	NYSDEC – Part 360 * Update	South Park Botanical Gardens and Curley's Restaurant
February 19, 2009	Global Climate Change * Presentation	Salvatore's Italian Garden
March 17, 2009	Teach the Teacher Air Pollution	BOCES West Seneca
March 26, 2009	Joint Meeting with TSC	To Be Determined (TBD)
April 22, 2009	Annual Environmental Conference*	Hearthstone Manor
April 25, 2009	Envirun	Goat Island / Fallside Hotel
April 30, 2009	Honeywell Plant Tour *	Pearl Street Brewery
May 21, 2009	Awards Dinner	Erie Canal / Harbor Park(USS Little Rock)
June 2009	Summer Social	Buffalo Zoo

**\* denotes availability of PDH credits**

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