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BY MICHAEL EMERY



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Welcome to 2009! It may be a new year on the calendar, but it is the middle of our business year with the busiest months to come!

First, the DEC camp scholarship, Dave Sauer Memorial College Scholarship, and high school scholarship applications are due Monday, February 2, 2009. The applications are available on our website, www.awmanfs.org.

Second, Steve Drozowski and the Seminar Committee are planning the April 22nd Seminar, and Dharma Iyer and the Environ Committee are planning the April 25th Environ 5K race.

Third, for the dinner meetings, we have the DEC speaking at the January meeting, in February we may hold a joint meeting with NYWEA, and the Technical Societies Council (TSC) Joint Meeting is in March, but I don't have to tell you this because it is on our calendar.

Moving on, financial transparency is not only an issue in the investment and financial sectors it is also emphasized by the IRS for tax exempt organizations. As we continue plugging away on the federal tax exempt application in our 'spare time' we are also developing a Conflict of Interest Policy which the IRS strongly encourages each organization to adopt and follow. I anticipate attaching our Conflict of Interest Policy to our By-Laws once it is approved by the Board and we are issued a 501(c) tax exempt status by the IRS. As part of our financial transparency I've included a summary of the adopted 2008-09 budget in this newsletter.

Did you know that SOLAR 2009 will be held in Buffalo from May 11-16, 2009 and that NFS-A&WMA is a Sponsoring Organization? SOLAR 2009 is America's leading conference on the emerging trends, technology, and opportunities shaping the new energy economy. SOLAR is presented by the American Solar Energy Society (ASES), a non-profit organization dedicated to increasing the use of solar energy, energy efficiency, and other sustainable technologies in the U.S. As a Sponsoring Organization you, our membership, are eligible pay the member registration fee, a \$75 savings, when registering for the Conference, www.ases.org

Next Meeting

Date: January 22, 2009

Pre-Dinner Tours:

Southtowns

Botanical Gardens

5:00-6:00 PM

Social Hr. @ Curly's: 5:30-6:30

Dinner: 6:30-7:30

Speaker: Mark Hans

Topic: New York State Solid Waste Management Plan

Place: Curly's

647 Ridge Road

Lackawanna, NY

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2008-09 BUDGET SUMMARY

MIKE EMERY

Below is a summary of our budget for this business year. The income and expenses for each category do not balance out because some activities support others. For example the Membership and Seminar income funds the scholarships and grants awarded by the Education committee, and the Program is subsidized by the Treasury. If you have any questions about this please contact me, Dominic Buccilli or Hal Pierce.

	Income	Expenses
Education	\$3,250	\$11,725
Envirun	\$13,000	\$12,300
Insurance	\$500	\$1,375
Interest	\$130	\$0
Membership	\$7,425	\$5,465
Newsletter	\$0	\$0
Operating Expenses	\$0	\$3,110
Professional Outreach	\$100	\$750
Program/Dinner Meetings	\$13,350	\$15,950
Seminar	\$21,150	\$11,000
Student Chapters	\$0	\$250
Treasury (cash)	\$3,020	\$0
Total	\$61,925	\$61,925

Note from Dominic: We have a lot of money.

2009 SEMINAR UPDATE

STEVE DROZDOWSKI

The **2009 Annual Enrichment Training for Environmental Professionals** will be held **April 22, 2009** at the **Hearthstone Manor in Depew, New York**. Please mark your calendar now and plan on attending this invaluable educational training and networking opportunity! We couldn't have picked a better date for the seminar as April 22, 2009 is the 40th Earth Day. Earth Day is meant to be a day dedicated to the environmental health of our planet, with programs designed to educate people about Earth's environment and threats to the environment. On the first Earth Day in 1970 I remember collecting bottles, cans, and newspapers for recycling and picking up trash. So if you aren't collecting recyclables or picking up trash on **April 22, 2009** learning about environ-

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2009 PROGRAM SCHEDULE

BY RANDY RAKOCZYNSKI



We have put together the following 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>
January 22, 2009	New York State Solid Waste Management Plan Update	South Park Botanical Gardens and Curley's Restaurant
February 19, 2009	David Flynn, Esq., Senior Counsel Phillips Lytle, LLP "Wind Power Transmission Impacts"	Marinaccio's 5877 Main Street, Williamsville, NY
March 17, 2009	Teach the Teacher Air Pollution	BOCES West Seneca
March 26, 2009	Joint Meeting with TSC Empire State Development Corp.	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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mental issues AND solutions at our Annual Enrichment Training Conference would be a worthwhile way for you to spend the day AND contribute to the success of the 40th Earth Day.

We intend to again have 14 concurrent environmental, health and safety sessions to choose from including some with Professional Development Hours (PDHs) and Continuing Education credits. Topics will range from Solid Waste & Air Toxic Regs, Brownfields Redevelopment, Part 375 Regs and Landfills, Carbon Sequestration & Capture, Great Lakes, Biodiesel, Alternate Energy, Wind/Solar Power and Global Climate Change. Conference speakers will be from industry, consultants, legal, academia, NYSDEC, NYSDOH and USEPA. Over \$11,000 was raised last year for student scholarships and environmental causes and we look again to meeting or exceeding our goal in 2009 on the 40th Earth Day!

If you would like to speak we still have an opening or two: if you would like to donate a door prize, be a sponsor or an exhibitor, or assist with the conference please contact Steve Drozdowski, Seminar Chairman at 716-821-0091 or sdrozdowski@osea.com or check the latest TSC Calendar of Events for additional contact info. If you just want to attend and need more info about AWMA please visit our website www.awmanfs.org.