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February is a short month so I'll try to keep this short.

On January 20th The Future Cities competition for 7th and 8th graders took place and some of our members participated as judges. Some judged essays and abstracts, some judged presentations, and some judged the cities and students so they could awarded the Environmental Award on behalf of A&WMA-NFS. See Hal Pierce's article for more information.

Hal just purged name badges from his collection of people who are no longer members. He added 30 and removed 49 name badges. That means our membership had a net decreased of 19 members. It is still not too late to renew or join the Section or A&WMA International. Links to the applications are on our website, www.awmanfs.org.

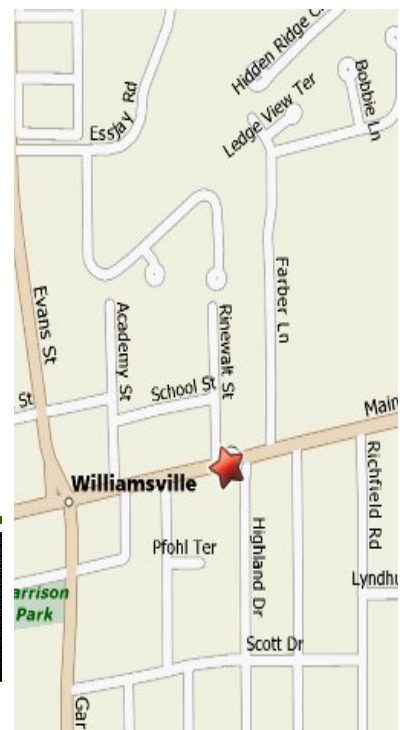
The registration for the April 22, 2009 Seminar is now open on-line, which is new for the Seminar and is expected to save about \$2000 in printing and postage! Be one of the first to sign up at www.123signup.com/register?id=zjtts

The Environ 5K registration will be available by the time you read this at http://www.active.com/page/Event_Details.htm?event_id=1681358&assetId=87f15016-2aaa-4444-a647-01cb8164cc72, ok that is a long address. You can also search for the April 25, 2009 Environ 5K at www.active.com.

Lastly, the Education Committee is organizing and reviewing all of the scholarship applications that were submitted by midnight February 2, 2009. Good luck to all the applicants! Stay warm and enjoy the snow!

Next Meeting

Date: February 19, 2009
Place: Marinaccio's
 5877 Main Street
 Williamsville, NY 14221
Social Hr. : 5:30-6:30
Dinner: 6:30
Speaker: David Flynn
Topic: Wind Power
 Transmission Impacts



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2008 FUTURE CITY COMPETITION

HAL PIERCE

This year AWMA's Pollution Prevention Award was presented to Buffalo's Elmwood Franklin School for their model entitled "City of Hydra" by judges Rick Allen, Gary LaLiberty, and Hal Pierce.

With this year's theme of the conservation, recycling and reuse of home water sources, this city developed an innovative system using a combination of zebra mussels, mechanical filters, nanofilters and ultraviolet light to clean up the water.

Their solid waste was composted to generate methane to burn for electrical generation.



Mark the date

April 22, 2009

It's **Earth Day** and it's **AWMA's 2009 Annual Enrichment Training for Environmental Professionals Seminar** at the **Hearthstone Manor** in **Depew, New York**. Our topics and speakers include **Part 231 NSR & PSD Changes** by Albany NYSDEC; **New SEQRA Requirements to Address CO2 Projects** also by Albany NYSDEC; **Wastewater Infrastructure Update** by Albany NYSDEC; **Wind Farm Siting & Design Considerations** by AWS Truewind; **The Cost of Carbon** by Knoer Group; **Stormwater Regs – New MS4 Permitting** by Stearns & Wheeler; **Brownfields Program Changes** by TurnKey Environmental; **Energy** by Leader Environmental; **and many more**. The complete program will be posted shortly on the website. As you can see our program is a mix of topics and speakers – some with **CEUs** and **PDHs** - something for everybody!

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/or need more info about AWMA please visit our website www.awmanfs.org or sign up online for the seminar at www.123signup.com/register?id=zjtts.

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>
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**

The February meeting will be a joint meeting with New York Water Environment Association (NYWEA) and the Erie-Niagara Chapter of New York State Society of Professional Engineers (NYSSPE) and will be part of the Western New York celebration of Engineers Week.

The March meeting will be our traditional Technical Societies Council (TSC) joint meeting with all of the other technical societies in Western New York. The meeting will be held on Thursday, March 26, 2009 at Salvatore's Italian Gardens. Our speaker will be a representative from the Empire State Development Corporation.

The April meeting will be a plant tour and talk about the operations of Honeywell and will take place on Thursday, April 30, 2009. The dinner meeting will be held at the Pearl Street Brewery and we hope to be able to offer a PDH credit for both the plant tour and the talk.

Our May meeting will be our traditional Awards Dinner where our scholarships and other awards are presented. We are hoping to hold our May Awards dinner in conjunction with the Solar Energy Conference that will be held at the Buffalo Convention Center in May.

The traditional summer social event will be held early in June at the Buffalo Zoo. The date and time for the event are yet to be determined. As part of the January meeting, a check for \$ 1,500 from a portion of the proceeds of Envirun 2008 was presented to the Buffalo & Erie County

Botanical Garden. I have attached a copy of the gracious thank you letter that we received from the Botanical Garden.

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