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THE CHAIRPERSON'S CORNER

I want to share my experiences at the **AWMA's 99th Annual Conference and Exhibition**. New Orleans was ready for the Air and Waste Annual Conference! I was prepared for the worst but never really saw the devastation shown by the media. Oh yes, there was a parking lot of junked cars and a section of the highway near Lake Ponchartrain where the trees were laying down, but in general, not a lot of damages in the "tourist" parts of the city. The French Quarter was the same as I had seen it 7 years ago as was the riverfront and downtown. The most noticeable difference was the lack of people. Two out of every three stores/restaurants were

CLOSED due to lack of business. This town exists on tourists and conventions. I'll be my own Chamber of Commerce and say that it's a great time to go to New Orleans. There were no crowds and the people loved us (all right, they loved our money!).

The AWMA Conference was the first event in the rebuilt Convention Center since Katrina. 3000 attendees at the AWMA Annual Conference made for multiple opportunities to connect with people from all States and Nations. Some connections were momentary, many were casual but all were unique learning experi-

ences about other places, professions and environmental issues. With over 160 technical sessions and 137 exhibit booths it was difficult to decide where to go next. As an AWMA staff volunteer, I was required to assist at four presentations over the four days. In return for my commitment, my registration fee was waived.

One of the most outstanding sessions was about the Waste Management response to Katrina. Think about what we all have stored in our refrigerators/garages/basements, multiply by 1000s and then mix with millions of



Chairperson Janet Schmidt

gallons of water to make a toxic soup.

The conference was made possible through donation of my frequent flyer miles, time off from my bosses, hotel expenses by AWMA-NFS (thanks to you) and as a staff volunteer to International. Thanks to all for the opportunity!

EDUCATION COMMITTEE NEWS

by: Charlie Porter

The Education Committee is once again moving into a new and exciting season with an emphasis on supporting the area's students and adding value to the WNY teachers. Kate Emery, the past Education Chairperson, is to be commended for her dedication

and energy to the Education Committee and the AWMA. Kate's organizational skills and attention to detail have strengthened the Education program for the future. This year Kate has accepted a new position as Liaison to the Colleges and Universities in WNY in an effort to reestab-

lish ties with the AWMA Student Chapters. When you see Kate, please thank her for her hard work and dedication.

The Education Committee will once again sponsor two (2) "Teach the Teacher"

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2005 - 2006 AWMA-NFS PROGRAM SCHEDULE

By Patrick Filey

Well, we are off to a running start for the 2006/2007 Dinner Meeting Program. In September we kicked off the program with dinner at the Naval Park catered by The City Grille. From all indication those who attended had a great time touring the Naval Park. Our speaker was the Commissioner from the City of Buffalo's Economic Development Department-Mr. Richard Tobe (thanks Bob Knoer). He addressed 64 mem-

bers and students with current/proposed projects within the City of Buffalo. It sure looks like the City is back on track with flourishing growth once again. Commissioner Tobe passed around a sheet detailing the projects within the City and the document can be found on the webpage at www.awmanfs.org.

Remember, **reservations** need to be placed **1 week** prior to the scheduled event to ensure enough food is


prepared for the evening. **Cancellations** need to be made **48 hrs prior** to the event or you will be billed.

You can save **\$5.00/program/dinner** by becoming an International Member, see the Membership column.

Thank you again to Kathy Wager for taking reservations for another year. She can be contacted at 716-542-1264.

DATE	SPEAKER	TOPIC	LOCATION
11/16/06	Mr. Robert Game Niagara Falls Water Board	Niagara Falls Predicament Joint meeting with NYWEA	Ramada Inn (formerly University Inn)
12/7/06	Reduced Stress Night	Comix Cafe	Comix Cafe
1/25/07	Mark Hans NYSDEC	NYS DEC Update-Part 360	Pettibones
2/22/07	Paul Curran	Clean Coal	Ilio Dipolo
3/22/07	NYS DEC River Keeper	TSC Joint Meeting Buffalo River Update	Shanghai Reds
4/26/07	Tour	Recycling Tour-Great Lakes MDF	Dock at the Bay
5/24/07	None	Awards & Scholarship Dinner	Tift Farms
July/August	None	Fossil Digging and Star Gazing	Penn Dixie Site

REMINDER! Please make your reservations for all meetings a week in advance. Due to escalating costs we will invoice all dinner meeting no-shows unless we receive a cancellation.




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2007 ANNUAL ENRICHMENT SEMINAR

BY STEVE DROZDOWSKI

The **2007 Annual Enrichment Training for Environmental Professionals** will be held **April 18, 2007** at the **Hearthstone Manor in Depew, New York**. Please mark your calendars now!

The Seminar's goal is to raise money for academic scholarships and provide funding for environmental education and protection. Our 2007 objectives include:

- Maintain/improve the quality of the program.
- Slightly increase attendance
- Increase the number of sponsors and exhibitors.
- Increase donations and door prizes to thank attendees for their time and effort.

As the committee moves forward we are always looking for ideas, suggestions, etc. for topics and speakers (including panel and keynote); contact info for potential new exhibitors and sponsors; updated mailing list infor-

mation, advertising/publicity ideas, ways to reduce expenses (mailing, printing brochures, etc); and ensuring a positive experience for all.

We have been meeting monthly since May 2006 to plan this annual event. The tentative schedule for the upcoming planning meetings are:

- November 14, 2006 at OSEA in Blasdell
- December 12, 2006 at Dupont (Tonawanda)
- January 9, 2007 at Benchmark (Buffalo)
- February/March 2007 TBD

Everyone is welcome to attend these planning meetings. You don't need to attend all meetings to help. Our 2007 Seminar Committee includes: Pat Martin, Hal Pierce, Pat Filey, Cliff Olson, Mary Christie, Scott King, Dominic Buccilli, Al Carlacci and Steve Drozdowski (Chairman). Please contact any of these individuals with your ideas or suggestions or join us at a meeting.






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MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE NEWS

By Kevin Janik

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Student Chapters

As the new season kicks off for AWMA, we encourage the students to be involved with their respective groups at Buffalo State College and the University of Buffalo. Then come join us for the bigger picture at our monthly dinner meetings and take part in other events that our organization puts on throughout the year. Our section will pick up the tab for the elected officers of the student chapters (up to 4 each) to join AWMA International. Our section also offers its members as a resource for their experience and expertise on topics that may be of interest to the students. In order to take advantage, you need to be involved. We look forward to seeing students out at our local dinner meetings. It's an opportunity to get a good meal, interesting environmental topics, and meet new friends and future business contacts.

Well it's again membership renewal time. Everyone should have received the latest application via email. However, if you cannot find it, the membership application is available online at www.awmanfs.org along with a description of the various membership levels.

A&WMA has also brought back the Introductory International Membership Special of \$100 until 12/31/06. An International Member receives all of the benefits of a Local Associate plus all benefits of the National A&WMA. This includes one journal, notification of continuing education opportunities, reduced fees

for national classes/seminars/conferences and reduced prices for meetings. The journals offered include the *Environmental Manager* with articles and updates directed to the plant and consulting professional, where the *Journal of the A&WMA* is directed to the academic community. International members are invoiced before their anniversary date, which covers their dues for a 12 month period (rolling membership). The Introductory Special is good for those who have not been an International Member during the last 12 months. If you are taking advantage of the New International Member Special, please submit an

A&WMA International application with payment to the Niagara Frontier Section. The application is available at www.awma.org. All existing International Members should renew directly with the A&WMA.

Lastly, please consider a Corporate Membership. The funds raised through the Corporate Sponsor membership is awarded through our college and high school scholarships, DEC summer camp scholarships and Earth Day Grants. The cost of a Corporate Membership is \$280 and includes an International Membership for one employee of the sponsoring organization, and a Local Associate membership for a

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BY PATRICK FILEY

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EDUCATION

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workshops on November 7th 2006 and March 8th 2007 at the Erie 1 BOCES on Harlem Road in West Seneca from 4:30 to 7:30 pm. The topic for November will focus on Air Quality issues with an overview of Non-Point Source Pollution in the Spring.

As we move into 2007 we will be focused on several areas of interest, most notably the Scholarship Program, Future Cities Competition, Engineers Week, DEC Camp and the Earth Day Grant Program.

In the coming weeks I will encourage each and every one of you to become active in the Education Committee and offer you the opportunity to share your knowledge and professional experience with the teachers and students in our area. If you need additional information and would like to volunteer, please contact me at 716-754-5400.

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