



Iowa Chapter October 2001 Newsletter
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September Highlights

Jeff Vonk, the new Director of Iowa Department of Natural Resources, was the guest speaker in September. Though Mr. Vonk has only been there about 6 months, he provided a number of facts about the departments successes and gave incite on department goals. Though he supports the permitting activity, he doesn't support burdensome permitting. The department will be working on more permit-by-rules.

Mr. Vonk also stated that environmental improvements do not need to come at increased cost. One example provided was sediment. If sediment is not controlled at the source, the sediment gets into the rivers and streams and is often removed in the municipal water treatment system – at a cost.

Coming In March ... Best Practices On Workforce Training For Environment, Health, And Safety.

We are looking for people and/or organizations that have a training practice that they would like to share with the Chapter. This is not a request for speakers. We simply need volunteers to set up a display on their organization's EHS training. Instead of the traditional format with a sit-down dinner and speaker, the March meeting will be more informal. We will be setting up display tables with an open buffet at the Amana – Holiday Inn. We'll eat, look, and talk. We are not asking for the elaborate and we are not asking you to speak, just to share with the rest of us.

Tell us about how you identify your training needs, how training is delivered, and how you have improved training over the years. Do you have training program materials, computer based training software, videos, web-based training to share? As environment, health, and safety professionals, we are always looking for effective techniques, tools, and practices for delivering training to our employees. But we need your help to make this work. Call Jim Hodina at (319) 626-3990 if you are interested in helping.

AWMA Chapter Dues

Iowa Chapter AWMA dues are \$10. If you have not paid Iowa Chapter or national AMWA membership dues, you may mail your dues to Otto Rajtora or pay at the next meeting.

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AWMA Awards

AWMA has various awards that recognize outstanding achievement. Most nominations are due November 1, 2001. A brief description of the awards follows:

Frank A. Chambers Award	Technical achievement in science and air pollution control.
Richard Beatty Mellon Award	Civic contribution related to pollution abatement (administrative, legislative, judicial)
S. Smith Griswold Award	Government agency person who contributed to prevention and control of air pollution
Lyman A. Ripperton Award	Distinguished achievement as an educator in field of air pollution control
Waste Management Award	Achievement in certain areas of waste management
Honorary Membership	Attained distinction in field related to objectives of AWMA
J. Dane Sensenbaugh Award	Achievement in field of air pollution control or waste management.

For more information to nominate someone, contact Jim Hodina (hodinajames@stanleygroup.com) or Liane Kroemer (lkroemer@foxeng.com).

*AWMA Iowa Chapter 2001-2002
Chapter Meeting Dates and Program Topics*

Tuesday, October 9

SURFACE COATING MACT

Tour: 5:00, 1100 13th Ave., East Moline, IL

John Deere Harvester Works

Meal: 6:00 Dinner, 6511 Brady Street, Davenport, IA

Thunder Bay Grille

Evening Program: 7:00, also Thunder Bay Grille

Bryce Harthorn, Deere & Company

Scott Lesnet, Corporate Environmental Manager for HON Industries

Dinner is \$15 for members and \$17.50 for nonmembers.

Please RSVP by Thursday **October 4** to

Jim Hodina: 319-626-3990 or hodinajames@stanleygroup.com

Indicate tour, meal, or both.

Note: Cancellations are accepted through October 5 at 5:00 pm.

After that, you will be charged for the meal.

Upcoming Events (Tentative Schedule)

NOTE: The November meeting date has been changed to Wednesday, November 14!

Wed. Nov. 14: Environmental Law and Administrative Rule Making in Iowa. Speakers to include Terry Townsend, Chair of the Environmental Protection Commission, and Representative James Hahn, Chair of the House Environmental Committee. To be held at Prairie Meadows in Altoona.

Tues. Jan. 8: Title V Compliance Panel Discussion. Panel to include manufacturing industry, utility industry, small business, and IDNR. To be held at the Amana Holiday Inn.

Tue. Mar. 12: Best Practices in Environment, Health, and Safety Training. To be held at the Amana Holiday Inn.

Wed. Apr. 17: Joint workshop with IWPCA Industrial Pre-Treatment Committee. This is an all day workshop. Following workshop, there will be a university student poster session, dinner, and speaker. Speaker to be from academia. (Tentative)

Late April: Cosponsor TRI workshop with EPA Region VII.

May/June: Annual golf outing.

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