

IWPC 2019



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FEBRUARY 11-13, 2019

ILLINOIS WASTEWATER **PROFESSIONALS CONFERENCE**

SPRINGFIELD, IL

CONFERENCE PROGRAM

TECHNICAL SESSIONS | EXHIBITS | AWARDS | SPECIAL EVENTS



PRESIDENTS' WELCOME



2018-2019 IAWPCO PRESIDENT

Rick Lallish

First, I would like to welcome everyone to the 2019 Illinois Wastewater Professionals Conference. Hard to believe the Illinois Association of Water Pollution Control Operators have reached their 84th Annual Conference. It is with great honor and pleasure to share this

event with the Illinois Water Environment Association for the third year. Both of our great organizations work toward a common goal of being stewards of our water resources. We both strive to provide fellowship and training opportunities for our members throughout the state, nation and internationally through WEF. Our industry is changing at a lightning pace; new modes of treatment constantly being introduced. We have come a long way from aqua-ducts to lagoons and now forms of activated sludge we only thought of in recent years. Our members are hungry for educational opportunities to learn these new technologies and sharpen their skills for everyday operations.

This year's conference reflects this trend; our committees have been hard at work scrutinizing and vetting speakers and presentations. The boards have been busy putting the show together to give our membership and guests a unique and rewarding experience. We have many people that have worked in the background who may never receive any gratuity for the hard work put in. I would like to thank them all personally for all they have sacrificed and time spent. This show would not be without your efforts: Thank you! We have many excellent presentations and workshops in store for whatever your needs are. The IAWPCO boards have put together a Wednesday line-up geared toward the wastewater operator; I hope we have what you want. Our lineup of products and suppliers in the exhibit hall is very wide-ranging; it seems to grow each year. I thank all of our vendors and suppliers; this is very much your show too!

This is a great chance to meet many people from both of our organizations. The opportunities to network has never been greater. Platforms such as Facebook and Twitter are fast becoming a working part of the conference; feel free to add to the discussions. We all have one thing in common: wastewater, so let us talk about it. We can all learn something from each other and help the next person down.

We are very happy you are here, if this is your first time then WEL-COME! Everyone else, I am just happy to see you again! Stop and tell the new attendees all about the conference, they are the ones who will be leading soon, that is why this organization lives and grows.



2018-2019 IWEA PRESIDENT

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On behalf of the Illinois Water Environment Association, it is my privilege to welcome you to the Illinois Water Professionals Conference (IWPC). This is our third year joining forces with the Illinois Association of Water Pollution Control Operators (IAWPCO). With IAWPCO,

the IWPC is truly the conference of the year for the water professionals. From workshops to mobile and technical sessions, and from Operators Challenge to Student Poster Competition, the 2019 program includes a broad spectrum of sessions and activities that any water professionals will be able to engage and participate.

As a proud member of the Water Environment Federation (WEF), the IWEA has always aligned with WEF's vision and values. In support of the latest WEF InFLOW (Introducing Future Leaders to Opportunities in Water) program inaugurated at the 2018 WEFTEC, the IWEA, with support of the IAWPCO, included InFLOW in this year's IWPC program. InFLOW is an initiative that strives to identify promising students from underrepresented minority groups who are interested in professional careers in the water industry. We look forward to a successful pilot year that will result in a continuation of the program to help shape the future of the water industry.

This year also marks the 40th anniversary of IWEA. We are humbled to welcome back some of the founding members to the annual conference and to witness the fruit of their hard work after all these years. Be on the lookout for the founding members throughout the conference and be inspired.

I would like to thank all the sponsors, exhibitors, and most importantly, all of you who attend the conference year after year. Your support makes the conference stronger and stronger. I would also like to express my gratitude to our partner, IAWPCO, who is willing to try and experiment new activities with us three years in a row. Many thanks also go to the Annual Conference Committee which included representatives from both organizations. Their endless effort and professionalism in organizing and in making sure of a successful conference is much appreciated. I hope you take advantage of what IWPC has to offer: learn the latest in the industry, make new acquaintances, connect with old colleagues, and most importantly, have fun!

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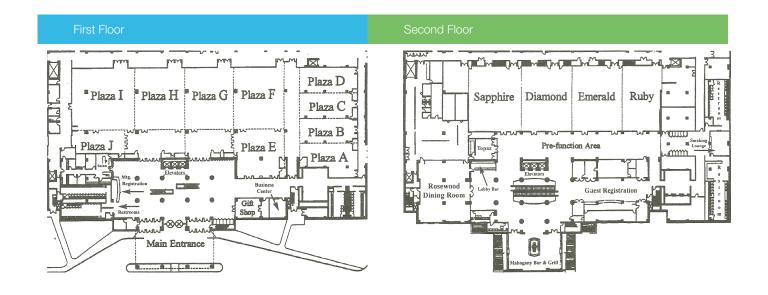
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CONFERENCE CENTER FACILITIES MAP

IWEA and IAWPCO are pleased to hold this joint conference here at the Crowne Plaza Springfield. We strive to offer attendees with a venue that provides comfort, functionality and an exceptional learning environment. We wish you the best experience at this year's conference.



SCHEDULE AT A GLANCE

TIME	EVENT	ROOM/LOCATION
8:00 am	Registration	Registration Desk - 1st Floor
8:00 am - 4:00 pm	Exhibitors Set-Up	Exhibit Hall
9:00 am - 10:00 am	IAWPCO Executive Board Meeting	Capital 1 - 3rd Floor
10:00 am - 11:00 am	Opening Conference Welcome, Dr. Krishna Pagilla	Sapphire
11:00 am - 11:30 am	Keynote Speaker, Tom Kunetz, WEF President	Sapphire
11:30 am - Noon	IWEA Annual Business Meeting	Sapphire
Noon - 1:00 pm	Networking Luncheon - All Registered Attendees Welcome	Diamond/Emerald
1:00 pm - 2:00 pm	Sustainability Technical Session	Ruby
1:00 pm - 4:30 pm	Biosolids Technical Session	Plaza C/D
1:30 pm - 4:30 pm	LIFT: Leaders Innovation Forum for Technology Technical Session	Sapphire
1:30 pm - 4:30 pm	Laboratory Workshop	Plaza A/B
1:00 pm - 5:00 pm	Technical Sessions	
2:00 pm - 3:00 pm	Young Professionals Session	Ruby
2:30 pm - 3:0 0 pm	Break	2nd Floor Hallway
3:30 pm - 4:30 pm	Posters and Beer Event	2nd Floor Hallway
4:30 pm - 5:30 pm	Young Professional Reception	Ruby
6:00 pm - 9:00 pm	IWEA 40th Annual Awards Banquet	Diamond/Emerald Ballroom

SCHEDULE AT A GLANCE (CONTINUED)

TIME	EVENT	ROOM/LOCATION
3:00 am	Registration	Mtg. Registration Desk - 1st Floor
8:30 am	Plant Operations Committee Meeting	Illinois
9:00 am - 5:00 pm	Technical Sessions and Workshops	
9:00 am - 6:00 pm	Exhibit Hall Open	
9:00 am - Noon	Safety Workshop	Plaza A/B
9:00 am - Noon	Laboratory Technical Session	Plaza C/D
9:00 am - Noon	Wet Weather Technical Session	Ruby
9:00 am - Noon	Nutrients I Technical Session	Sapphire
10:00 am - 10:30 am	Morning Refreshment Break	Exhibit Hall
10:30 am - Noon	Mobile Sessions	Exhibit Hall
Noon - 1:00 pm	Boxed Lunch	Exhibit Hall
1:00 pm - 3:00 pm	Pretreatment Technical Session	Plaza A/B
1:00 pm - 4:00 pm	Operators Challenge	Exhibit Hall
1:00 pm - 5:00 pm	Electrical & Controls Technical Session	Plaza C/D
1:00 pm - 5:00 pm	Collections Technical Session	Ruby
1:00 pm - 5:00 pm	Nutrients II Technical Session	Sapphire
3:00 pm - 4:00 pm	Afternoon Refreshment Break	Exhibit Hall
4:00 pm - 5:00 pm	Energy Technical Session	Plaza A/B
4:00 pm - 6:00 pm	Exhibitors Reception	Exhibit Hall
WEDNESDAY, FE	BRUARY 13, 2019 EVENT	ROOM/LOCATION
8:00 am	Registration Exhibitors Breakfast	Registration Desk- 1st Floor
8:00 am - 9:00 am		Exhibit Hall
3:00 am - 12:00 pm	Exhibit Hall Open IAWPCO Annual Business Meeting	Duby
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9:00 am - Noon 9:00 am - Noon	Planning Technical Session	Plaza A/B
9:00 am - Noon	Watershed I Technical Session	Sapphire
10:30 am - 11:00 am	Morning Refreshment Break	Exhibit Hall
12:00 pm - 1:30 pm	IAWPCO Annual Association Lunch	Diamond/Emerald Ballroom
12:00 pm - 1:00 pm	IWEA Executive Board and Chair Lunch/Meeting	TBD
12:00 pm - 5:00 pm	Exhibitors Dismantle	Exhibit Hall
1:00 pm - 4:30 pm	Watershed II Technical Session	Sapphire
1:30 pm - 2:30 pm	Illinois Governor's Mansion Tour (Pre-registration required)	410 E. Jackson St, Springfield
1:30 pm - 3:00 pm	Operator Certification Review Class 3 and 4	Ruby
1:30 pm - 5:30 pm	ERTC Review Classes 1 and 2	Plaza A/B
3:00 pm - 3:30 pm	Afternoon Refreshment Break	Hallway
3:30 pm - 5:00 pm	Operator Certification Review Class 1 and 2	Ruby
6:00 pm - 10:00 pm	IAWPC0 84th Awards Banquet	Diamond/Emerald Ballroom
THURSDAY, FEBR		
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SPECIAL GUEST



2018-2019 WEF PRESIDENT **Thomas E. Kunetz**Monday, February 11, 11:00 am

Thomas E. Kunetz is the 2018-2019 President of the Water Environment Federation (WEF), an international organization of water quality professionals headquartered in Alexandria, Va.

Tom is the Assistant Director of Monitoring and Research for the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago, leading the District's efforts on key strategic engineering initiatives. He has over 30 years of experience in the field of environmental engineering in both the public and private sectors, focusing on design of wastewater treatment facilities, improving the water environment, and protection of public health.

A WEF member since 1992, Tom is the past chair of the Municipal Wastewater Treatment Symposium, and served on the Program Committee, and the Municipal Water Resource Recovery Design Committee.

He was a member of the Chicago WEFMAX organizing committee, and served on the Stockholm Junior Water Prize organizing committee with the Illinois Water Environment Association.

Tom is a registered professional engineer in the state of Illinois. He is a graduate of the WEF-sponsored Water and Wastewater Leadership Center at the University of North Carolina, the 2012 recipient of the Charles Walter Nichols Award for Environmental Excellence from the American Public Works Association, and a WEF Fellow. He has served as technical advisor to the student chapter of Engineers for a Sustainable World at Northwestern University, traveling to Panama with the students.

Tom earned his B.S. in environmental engineering from Pennsylvania State University and an M.S. in water resources engineering from Villanova University.



The Water Environment Federation (WEF) is a not-for-profit technical and educational organization of 34,000 individual members and 75 affiliated Member Associations representing water quality professionals around the world. Since 1928, WEF and its members have protected public health and the environment. As a global water sector leader, our mission is to connect water professionals; enrich the expertise of water professionals; increase the awareness of the impact and value of water; and provide a platform for water sector innovation. To learn more, visit **www.wef.org.**



NETWORKING AND EVENTS

NETWORKING LUNCHES

MON, Feb 11 12:00 pm - 1:00 pm IWEA Networking Luncheon | Diamond/Emerald

TUE, Feb 12 12:00 pm - 1:00 pm Exhibitor's Boxed Luncheon | Exhibit Hall

WED, Feb 13 12:00 pm - 1:30 pm IAWPCO Annual Luncheon | Diamond/Emerald

Join us each day for lunch to network with your peers at the following events included with your conference registration:

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EXHIBITORS' GRAB & GAB BREAKFAST

WED, Feb 13 8:00-9:00 am | Exhibit Hall

Rise & Shine! Breakfast will be served in the Exhibit Hall so you can check out the exhibitors' booths before technical sessions begin. This meal is included with your conference registration.

REFRESHMENT BREAKS

Join us for complimentary refreshments throughout the conference. Take a break from the technical sessions or the exhibits and catch up with colleagues.

MON, Feb 11 2:30-3:00 pm | 2nd Floor Hallway

TUE, Feb 12 10-10:30 am | Exhibit Hall

3-4:00 pm | Exhibit Hall

WED, Feb 13 10-10:30 am | Exhibit Hall

3-3:30 pm | 2nd Floor Hallway

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IWEA ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING

MON, Feb 11 | 11:30 am - 12:00 pm Sapphire - 2nd Floor

Immediately following the keynote speakers, IWEA will be holding its annual business meeting. The brief meeting will include the election of the 2019-2020 Executive Board and an udpate on the financial health of IWEA by the Treasurer. Then, please join us at the IWEA networking luncheon in the Diamond/Emerald ballrooms. This luncheon is included in your registration.



IAWPCO ANNUAL LUNCHEON

WED, Feb 13 | 12:00 pm - 1:30 pm Diamond/Emerald Ballrooms - 2nd Floor

IAWPCO invites you to attend this annual luncheon featuring keynote speaker Robert Trueblood, Executive Director of Fox River Water Reclamation District. This luncheon is included in your registration.



ANNUAL AWARDS BANQUETS

IWEA 40th Awards Banquet

MON, Feb 11 | 6:00-9:30 p.m. Diamond/Emerald Ballrooms - 2nd Floor

Join us in celebrating IWEA's 40th anniversary. Tickets for the awards banquets can be purchased at registration desk if not purchased with your registration.

IAWPCO 84th Awards Banquet

WED, Feb 13 | 6:00-10:00 pm

Diamond/Emerald Ballrooms - 2nd Floor

Come join us for a special evening of good food, friendship and fun. Tickets for the awards banquets can be purchased separately if not purchased with your registration, visit registration desk.



EXHIBITORS RECEPTION

TUE, Feb 12 | 4:00 pm – 6:00 pm **Exhibit Hall**

Join us on Tuesday for a casual TOGETHER FOR CLEAN WATER Exhibitors Reception. It's a great way to meet colleagues, network and visit with all of the vendors. Use your drink tickets and sample some complimentary appetizers. Cash bar also available.





YOUNG PROFESSIONALS EVENTS

POSTERS AND BEER

MON, Feb 11 | 3:30-4:30 pm Ruby Room - 2nd Floor Hallway Outside Ruby Room

Sponsored by: Walter E. Deuchler Associates, Inc.

STUDENTS & YOUNG PROFESSIONALS RECEPTION

MON, Feb 11 | 4:30-5:30 p.m. Ruby Room - Second Floor

Student and Young Professionals

Fostering Future Industry Professionals

The Student and Young Professionals Committee plans and hosts networking activities and events for students and YPs. The committee encourages student and YP participation in water related degrees and professions and in the Illinois Water Environment Association and Water Environment Association, IWEA's parent organization. Young professionals are defined as those individuals with up to ten years work experience in the industry and less than 35 years of age. Students are defined as those individuals who are enrolled in a minimum of 6 credit hours in an accredited college or university. Learn more about the committee at our events during the conference or visit IWEA's website for more information.

Student and Young Professional Poster Competition

The 2019 Student and Young Professional Poster Competition is intended to provide students and young professionals the opportunity to present their research and/or design project. Students and young professionals will be showcasing their work on a 48" x 36" poster and will be competing for cash prizes. Please join us for Posters and Beer — a great networking event that allows you to meet fellow SYPCs, enjoy your favorite brew and informally discuss the projects with students and young professionals.

Students and Young Professionals Reception

Following the Posters and Beer event, you are invited to attend the Students and Young Professionals Reception. All IWEA members and registered attendees are welcome to attend this event. Registered students and YPs will receive two free drink tickets with their name and badge.

This will be a fun-filled evening and a great casual networking event with peers and "seasoned" professionals. No pre-registration required. We look forward to seeing you there!

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The Water Environment Federation (WEF) successfully introduced the WEF InFLOW (Introducing Future Leaders to Opportunities in Water) program at WEFTEC 2018, in New Orleans, Louisiana. This program is an initiative that strives to identify promising students from under-represented minority groups and expose them to professional careers in the water industry. InFLOW is a scholarship program, which invites college students to attend the conference to solidify their interest in working in the water sector and help foster a network within the organization and water sector to increase probabilities for employment and long term success.

We are excited to introduce the InFLOW program at this year's IWPC 2019. Minority students from Lincoln Land Community College, Loyola University, Southern Illinois University Edwardsville - Environmental Resource Training Center and University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign have been invited to participate at the conference at no cost.

The InFLOW student itinerary includes participation in Technical Sessions, Student and Young Professionals activities, Mobile Sessions in the Exhibit Hall, Operations Challenge and various networking opportunities throughout the conference.

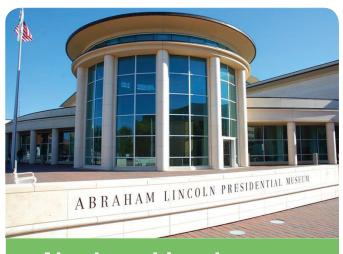
Please join us in welcoming our 2019 InFLOW students to this year's conference!

INFLOW is sponsored by:

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IWPC 2019 SPOUSE PROGRAM

IWPC 2019 TOUR



Abraham Lincoln Presidential Library

TUESDAY, February 12, 2019

Meet in hotel lobby at 8:30 a.m.

All are welcome!

On Tuesday February 12th the Spouse Program will be holding their **Spouse Day Out**. This year the participants will be meeting in the lobby of the hotel at 8:30am. We will be spending the day at the Abraham Lincoln Presidential Library and Museum.

For lunch we will be heading over to the **Osaka Japanese Restaurant** for an hibachi lunch. We should be heading back to the hotel around 2 p.m.

Past Spouse Program Outings:

2016 Visit Dana Thomas House, Lunch at Obed & Isaac's Microbrewery, Mani or Pedi at local spa

2017 Visit Abraham Lincoln Tomb, Lunch at D'Arcy's Pint, Visit to Sheel's Sporting Goods

2018 Visit Abraham Lincoln's New Salem, Lunch at Chesapeake Seafood House



Illinois Governor's Mansion Tour

WEDNESDAY, February 13, 2019 **1:30 p.m. to 2:30 p.m.**

410 E. Jackson Street, Springfield, IL 62701

Pre-registration and Government Issue Photo ID Required

The Illinois Governor's Mansion is the official residence of the Governor of Illinois. It is located at 410 E. Jackson Street in the state capital, Springfield, Illinois. The Italianate-style Mansion was designed by Chicago architect John M. Van Osdel with a modified 'H' shaped configuration with a long central section, and the front and back on the sides of the 'H'. The 16-room manor was completed in 1855 and was first occupied by Governor Joel Matteson, who held the official grand opening on January 10, 1856. It is one of the oldest historic residences in the state of Illinois and one of the three oldest continuously occupied governor's mansions in the United States. In 1898 alterations to the exterior added neoclassical elements. In 1972, the Illinois Governor's Mansion Association was founded as a charitable corporation to assist in the maintenance and programming at the mansion. The Mansion was added to the National Register of Historic Places in 1976. The Mansion recently went through a complete restoration.

KEYNOTE SPEAKERS



PROFESSOR AND ENVIRONMENTAL ENGINEERING PROGRAM DIRECTOR, UNIVERSITY OF NEVADA-RENO. DIRECTOR OF NEVADA WATER INNOVATION INSTITUTE

Krishna R. Pagilla, Ph.D., P.E., BCEE, IWA Fellow, WEF Fellow MON, Feb 11, 10:00 am

Dr. Krishna Pagilla is a Professor and Environmental Engineering Program Director at the University of Nevada, Reno. He is also the Director of Nevada Water Innovation Institute, a university-utility collaboration to meet local water technology and development needs, and drive innovation in the water sector. Dr. Pagilla's expertise is in the field of water quality, water resource recovery, indirect potable water reuse, and environmental biotechnology. He has over 200 publications including peer-reviewed papers and conference proceedings. His research group at the University of Nevada, Reno consists of 9 PhD students, 5 MS students, 3 BS students, and a research associate professor, and the research focus is on indirect potable reuse, human health effects of water reuse in agriculture, N pollution control, density-biomass function relationships in biological processes, P recovery, and water-economy nexus.

Among his numerous awards for professional achievements, he received the Thomas R. Camp Applied Research Award (2013) and Fair Distinguished Engineering Educator Award (2013) from the Water Environment Federation (WEF). He received Harrison Prescott Eddy Medal for Outstanding Applied Research on Wastewater Principles and Processes (2011) from WEF and the Bill Boyle Outstanding Educator Award (2012) from the Central States Water Environment Association. Dr. Pagilla was inducted into the Illinois Select Society of Sanitary Sludge Shovelers in 2011.

Dr. Krishna Pagilla is the Chair of the USA National Committee (USANC) of International Water Association (IWA) and serves as a member of the Governing Assembly of IWA. He has served on the Executive Board and was President (2012-13) of the Illinois Water Environment Association. Dr. Pagilla is President-Elect of Nevada Water Environment Association (2019-20). Dr. Pagilla is a Fellow of both WEF and IWA. He serves as an International Juror for the Stockholm Junior Water Prize Competition conducted by the Stockholm International Water Institute.

Dr. Pagilla has a PhD degree in Civil/Environmental Engineering from the University of California (Berkeley, CA) and MS and BE degrees in Civil/Environmental Engineering. Dr. Pagilla is a Registered Professional Engineer (PE) in Illinois and California, and Board Certified Environmental Engineer (BCEE) of the American Academy of Environmental Engineers.



EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF FOX RIVER WATER RECLAMATION DISTRICT

Bob Trueblood

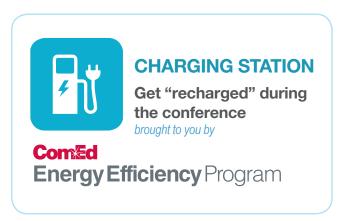
Bob Trueblood
WED, Feb 13, IAWPCO Awards
Luncheon

Bob Trueblood is the Executive Director of the Fox River Water Reclamation District in Elgin, Illinois, serving

approximately 220,000 customers. He has been in the water/wastewater utility business for more than 40 years.

His career has involved working for the City of Indianapolis in the Department of Public Works for 16 years and has been with the FRWD since 2006. He has also managed utilities in Indiana, Colorado and Illinois. Bob earned his degree in Business Administration from the Indiana Institute of Technology.

At Wednesday's luncheon he will be discussing the District's compliance challenges with 3 treatment plants, 3 different NPDES permits and 1 sewage sludge land application permit. While the focus will be on phosphorus, mention will be made regarding each plant's own specific compliance issues.





PROGRAM TRACKS

BIOS	Biosolids Management
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CLSS	Onerator Review Class

COLL Collection Systems

ELEC Electrical

ENRG Energy

LAB Lab

LIFT Leaders Innovation Forum Technology

NRR1 Nutrient Removal and Recovery 1

NRR2 Nutrient Removal and Recovery 2

OPS1 Plant Operations 1

OPS2 Plant Operations 2

PLAN Planning

PRET Pretreatment

SUST Sustainability

SHED1 Watershed Management 1

SHED2 Watershed Management 2

WET Wet Weather

STORM Stormwater Management

YP Young Professionals

WKSP Workshop

COURSE SCHEDULE

MONDAY, FEBRRUARY 11 ROOM				
1:00 pm - 4:30 pm				
LIFT	Leaders Innovation Forum	SAPPHIRE		
BIOS	Biosolids Management	PLAZA C/D		
1:00 pm - 2:00 pm				
SUST	Sustainability	RUBY		
1:30 pm - 4:30 pm				
WKSP	Lab Workshop	PLAZA A/B		
2:00 pm - 3:00 pm				
YP	Young Professionals	RUBY		

TUES	DAY, FEBRUARY 12	ROOM		
9:00 am – Noon				
WKSP	Safety Workshop	PLAZA A/B		
LAB	Laboratory Operations	PLAZA C/D		
WET	Wet Weather	RUBY		
NRR1	Nutrient Removal and Recovery 1	SAPPHIRE		
1:00 pm - 3:00 pm				
PRET	Pretreatment	PLAZA A/B		
1:00 pm	- 5:00 pm			
ELEC	Electrical & Controls	PLAZA C/D		
NRR2	Nutrient Removal and Recovery 2	SAPPHIRE		
COLL	Collection Systems	RUBY		
4:00 pm - 5:00 pm				
ENRG	Energy	PLAZA A/B		

WED	ROOM		
9:00 am -	Noon		
OPS1	Plant Operations 1	RUBY	
PLAN	Planning	PLAZA A/B	
SHED1	Watershed Management 1	SAPPHIRE	
1:00 pm – 4:30 pm			
SHED2	Watershed Management 2	SAPPHIRE	
1:30 pm - 4:30 pm			
OPS2	Plant Operations 2	RUBY	
1:30 pm - 5:00 pm			
CLSS	Operator Certification Review Classes	PLAZA A/B	

TECHNICAL PROGRAM

Conference Courses

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 11

ROOM

1:00 pm - 1:30 pm

Understanding the Sensing Capabilities of Microbial Electrochemical Cells Presenter: Roland D. Cusick, Ph.D., Assistant Professor, Department of Civil and Environmental Engineering, University of Illinois **SAPPHIRE**

This talk will focus on leveraging the current produced by electro-active biofilms to monitor and improve the performance of

aerobic and anaerobic wastewater treatment technologies.

BIOS

Mitigating the Unintentional Consequences of Biological Phosphorus Removal at MWRD, Colorado Presenter: Blair Wisdom, Technology and Innovation Officer - MWRD (Denver)

PLAZA C/D

Waste sludge from biological phosphorus removal systems has been associated with negative impacts to anaerobic solids digestion and dewatering processes. Ahead of instituting a large-scale full plant biological phosphorus removal process, Metro Wastewater Reclamation District in Denver, CO, conducted in-depth pilot-scale investigations of WAS release pretreatment and post-digestion phosphorus recovery technologies as possible approaches to mitigate undesirable effects of Bio-P on the facility's solids treatment and handling processes. Results from these evaluation will be presented to show impact to nuisance struvite production in the anaerobic digesters and downstream infrastructure, impacts to total biomass for dewatering and hauling, and dewaterability.

Sustainability Introduction Roundtable

RUBY

Presenter: Dominic Brose, Environmental Soil Scientist; Barbara Scapardine, Environmental Specialist, MWRDGC; and Chris DeSilva, Professional Engineer, Greeley & Hansen

1:30 pm - 2:00 pm

Installation and Performance Review of the First Permitted Algae Based Treatment System in Illinois Presenter: Daniel Johnson, Chief Technology Officer, OneWater, Inc.

SAPPHIRE

Illinois permitted its first algae-based wastewater treatment facility for construction in January of 2018 and bids were accepted for the project at the end of July. Construction on the project was initiated in September of 2018 with a start-up goal of November 1, 2018. The project is a 30,000 gpd surface discharge system near Gardner, Illinois which services a premanufactured housing community. The Plant discharges into the Mazon River and must comply with a 10 CBOD5, 12 TSS, and 0.9 NH3 permit limit.



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MONDAY, FEBRUARY 11

ROOM

1:30 pm - 2:00 pm

BIOS

Energy Efficiency and Nutrient Reduction Through Process Optimization in Aerobic Digester Presenter: Payal Shah, Process Engineer - Xylem, Inc.

PLAZA C/D

Digesters in wastewater treatment plant is the second most energy consuming unit next to biological treatment. If not used properly, it can increase nutrient loading by up to 50% in main stream secondary process via recycle. Poorly operated system can lead to treatment instability and high chemical consumption. This abstract explains the basis of Aerobic Digestion Process and emphasis on how to optimize energy, reduce nutrient recycle and chemical consumptions in design and operation.

1:30 pm - 4:30 pm

WKSP

Lab Workshop PLAZA A/B

2:00 pm - 2:30 pm

ΥP

The Value of Participation in Professional Societies: How to Maximize the Benefits of One's Experience

RUBY

Presenter: Dan Collins, Retired, Formerly of MWRDGC

LIFT

Digital Water: Treatment Plant Operational Improvements Enabled by Machine Learning Presenter: Andrew Chastain-Howley, Director of Water Solutions, Atonix Digital

SAPPHIRE

Treatment Plants are complex facilities which require experienced operators to keep them running. However, there are many basic tasks and analyses which can take up significant parts of the working day and can reduce the time spent on truly running the plant and the effectiveness of those operations. This presentation will outline some of the automation, data management and machine learning techniques being developed to remove those repetitive tasks and to allow operators and management alike to concentrate on running the plants more effectively. Pumping efficiencies can be gained by constant feedback on flow dynamics and efficiency, process improvements can be better understood if the masses of time-series data are able to be automatically monitored and visualized, and regulatory requirements can be improved with online analyzers and alerting when trends (as defined through machine learning) predict future issues. Each of these features and benefits will be discussed, outlining real world data and applications from water and wastewater utilities in North America and Asia.

BIOS

A Survey of WRRF Biosolids: Identifying the Parameters Affecting Dewatering from Bio-P and THP $\,$

PLAZA C/D

Presenter: Jeff Nicholson, HRSD Intern, Graduate Student, Virginia Tech

Improving the dewatered cake solids of biosolids at water resource recovery facilities (WRRF) is important in order to control costs of fuel for hauling or incineration, tipping fees for landfilling, or real estate and structures dedicated to onsite storage. A survey of biosolids from Bio-P and non Bio-P plants were analyzed and dewatered to identify the primary parameters controlling dewatering. Reactor studies were also conducted in order to evaluate the effects of removing phosphorus from a Bio-P waste activated sludge (WAS) and the effects of thermal hydrolysis pretreatment (THP). The effect of THP on the anaerobic digestion and dewatering of separated primary and WAS biosolids was also investigated.

2:30 pm - 3:00 pm

ΥP

The Value of Mentorship: How to Identify and Learn from More Experienced Engineers Presenter: Lynn Kohlhaas, Senior Civil Engineer, MWRDGC

RUBY

3:00 pm - 3:30 pm

LIFT

Emerging Water Reuse Frameworks for Military Sustainment and Resiliency Presenter: Dr. Martin Page, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers

SAPPHIRE

This presentation will provide an overview of water reuse frameworks and technologies being evaluated by the US Army Engineer Research and Development Center. Frameworks under investigation include building scale non-potable reuse, building scale direct potable reuse, gray water recycling, and centralized direct potable reuse. Technologies being demonstrated include intermittent biofiltration, membrane bioreactors, membrane filtration, and advanced oxidation processes. Associated health risk and life cycle cost analyses will also be discussed.

BIOS

A Story of Biosolids Autocatalytic Pyrolysis: Process Scalability and Biochar Applications Presenter: Dr. Zhongzhe Liu, Research Assistant Professor, Marquette University

PLAZA C/D

Improving on-site energy generation and recovering value-added products are common goals for sustainable used water reclamation. A new process called autocatalytic pyrolysis was developed and validated to greatly enhance energy recovery from biosolids on a bench scale, sub-pilot scale, and pilot scale. The biosolids autocatalytic pyrolysis process can be coupled with other existing technologies and applications to simultaneously enhance energy recovery, minimize adverse environmental impacts, and generate value-added products from wastewater.

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 11

ROOM

3:30 pm - 4:00 pm

LIFT

A Pilot Scale Evaluation of MABR Technology for BNR Process Intensification

SAPPHIRE

Presenter: Leon Downing, Principal Process and Innovation Leader, Black & Veatch

Membrane Aerated Biofilm Reactors (MABRs) hold promise to revolutionize the delivery of oxygen for biological treatment in Water Resource Recovery Facilities (WRRFs), The MABR combines the benefits of process intensification (i.e., increased loading capacity and reduced footprint), with aeration efficiencies up to 2 times higher than fine bubble aeration, as reported by the manufacturers. For the retrofit of an activated sludge basin, a hybrid process is typically employed, where both the suspended sludge and MABR participate in biological treatment. Pilot testing results will be presented for the MABR from a research collaboration led by Black & Veatch in California.

BIOS

Marketing of the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago's EQ Compost Presenter: Dominic Brose, Environmental Soil Scientist, MWRDGC

PLAZA C/D

In the fall 2018, the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago (MWRD) was requested by the associate vice president, marketing and communication for Loyola University Chicago to present to a marketing class an overview of the EQ Compost program. The class was broken into several groups and each group will develop a marketing plan to address the needs identified in the MWRD's presentation. The winning team will present the marketing plan to the MWRD Board of Commissioners. This talk will provide an overview of current marketing efforts at the MWRD for EQ Compost, present the elements of the winning marketing plan developed by the Lovola University students, including target markets and outreach strategies, and discuss how those marketing elements will be incorporated into future efforts.

4:00 - 4:30 pm

BIOS

Capture Phosphate by Designer Biochars Produced from Biosolids: A Win-Win Strategy Presenter: Dr. Wei Zheng, Senior Research Scientist/Adjunct Faculty, NRES Illinois Sustainable Technology Center PLAZA C/D

This presentation is to illustrate designer biochars that can effectively adsorb dissolved phosphorus. The designer biochars were generated from biomass pre-treated with lime sludge collected from water treatment plants. The use of the designer biochars to capture phosphorous could be a win-win strategy, which converts waste biosolids to valuable products and reduces nutrient losses.



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MONDAY, FEBRUARY 11

ROOM

SAPPHIRE

1:30 pm - 2:00 pm

LIFT

Introducing the First Full-Scale Membrane Aerated Biofilm Reactor

Presenter: Amy Underwood, Walter E. Deuchler Associates, Inc. and Cyrus McMains, PE, Yorkville-Bristol Sanitary District

Yorkville-Bristol Sanitary District (YBSD) is subject to complying with a Total Phosphorus (TP) effluent limit compliance schedule under their National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit. In addition, local industries were planning to send waste streams with a high organic loading relative to their hydraulic discharge. This impending higher organic load coupled with implementing Biological Phosphorus Removal (BPR) by converting aeration tanks to anaerobic tanks will significantly reduce the existing treatment capacity. The existing treatment plant site is built-out and any increase in conventional treatment will require a separate treatment plant on adjacent property, which will be a large capital expenditure. In conjunction with Biological Phosphorus Removal (BPR), YBSD elected to install a Membrane Aerated Biofilm Reactor (MABR) system to increase organic treatment capacity and meet the new TP limit without construction of a separate treatment plant.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 12

ROOM

9:00 am - 9:30 am

LAB

Regulatory Update

PLAZA C/D

Presenter: Scott D. Siders, Director of Quality Assurance, PDC Laboratories, Inc.

WET

Cost-effective Combined Sewer Overflow Long-term Control Plan

RUBY

Presenter: Jennifer Anders, Senior Client Manager, Vice President, Woodard & Curran and Andrew Jackson, Public Works Director, City of Monmouth, IL

Case study for the revision of a Combined Sewer Overflow (CSO) Long-Term Control Plan (LTCP) for the City of Monmouth, Illinois will be presented in order to understand the challenges, opportunities, constraints, costs and benefits for a small community to cost effectively address CSOs. The presentation will focus on the City's historical improvement projects, coordination efforts with Illinois Environmental Protection Agency (IEPA), flow monitoring, hydraulic modeling, and recommendations to provide the City with a cost effective upgrade to their existing end of pipe CSO management system and drive to achieve compliance with a 2008 IEPA Compliance Commitment Acceptance Letter.

NRR1

Balancing Operations, Reliability and Costs Needed to Achieve Consistent Performance Presenter: Susan Guswa, Wastewater Practice Leader - Woodard & Curran

SAPPHIRE

Total phosphorus removal has long been required by many water resource recovery facilities (WRRF) that discharge to inland waters. In recent years, more and more facilities are being required to meet effluent total phosphorus limits of 0.1 mg/L or lower. Meeting these limits typically requires a balance of capital improvements, 0&M costs and an investment of human resources. This presentation will provide an overview of how WRRFs can implement proven and evolving technologies to provide a balance between these investments. The presentation will include case studies that have implemented combinations of technologies and operational measures to achieve consistent performance.

9:30 am - 10:00 am

LAB

The Importance of Proper Sample Collection

Presenter: Justin Monroe, Environmental Chemist, MWRDGC

PLAZA C/D

There are several users of data provided by a wastewater treatment facility. With so many depending on reliable data, it is paramount that the results of analyses are accurate and precise. The collection of samples has a significant impact on the accuracy and precision of analytical results. Sample contamination, improper containers/labels, and lack of documentation are potential causes for inaccurate data. Implications of using inaccurate data can range from improper plant process adjustments to receipt of noncompliance fines from the Environmental Protection Agency. This informative presentation will be of value to entry level treatment works employees as a training tool.

WET

Green Infrastructure and Its Economic Impacts

Presenter: Paul E. Hurley IV, EIT, ENV SP, Greeley & Hansen

RUBY

Green Infrastructure is a growing trend in stormwater management, and while many are familiar with the concept, the details are still obscure. The term Green Infrastructure (GI) describes structures or practices that manage stormwater using natural processes to treat and control runoff. While these can be aesthetically pleasing and energy saving, an understanding of GI principles is crucial to the value added engineering that creates healthy urban landscapes. The goal of this presentation is to provide background on common GI installations and practices, assess how effective they are, and discuss the common challenges that municipalities face when incorporating GI.

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NRR1

Phosphorus Influent Reduction Measures

Presenter: Chris DeSilva, Professional Engineer - Greeley & Hansen

SAPPHIRE

Water resources recovery facilities (WRRFs) are seeking cost effective approaches to reduce their total phosphorus effluent concentrations. Effluent phosphorus levels can be reduced by using phosphorus removal technologies at the WRRFs and by using influent reduction measures. A key step in reducing influent phosphorus load is understanding the current phosphorus levels of these sources and implications on phosphorus reduction of proposed reduction measures. Quantifying the impacts and implementing influent reduction measures can be a challenging task, but a potentially cost effective component of an overall phosphorus removal strategy.

9:00 am - Noon

WKSP

Safety Workshop

PLAZA A/B

10:30 am - 11:00 am

LAB

Ammonia Measurement by Ion Selective Electrode Presenter: Eric Link, LabtronX PLAZA C/D

WET

Intelligent Odor Warning System at an MWRD Reservoir

RUBY

Presenters: Nina Kshetry, President - Ensaras, Inc. and John Mulrow, Ph.D. Candidate in Environmental Engineering - University of Illinois at Chicago

Data analytics and Intelligent Water Systems are poised to play major roles in addressing operational challenges of utilities in the future. We will present our work on using advanced analytics combined with artificial intelligence for developing an advanced warning system for odors at the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago's (MWRDGC) Thornton Composite Reservoir (TCR). More broadly, we will summarize some key steps wastewater utilities can take to better position themselves for readily deploying advanced analytics and intelligent water systems.

NRR1

Doubling Down on Phosphorus?

Presenter: Rachel M. Lee, P.E., Sales Manager - Ostara Nutrient Recovery Technologies, Inc.

SAPPHIRE

The Madison Metropolitan Sewerage District (MMSD) installed Ostara nutrient recovery system including Pearl and WASSTRIP at their Nine Springs plant in 2013. The system started up well and achieved several benefits for MMSD; however, the phosphorus recovery for the system fell short of expectations. In recent years, Ostara and MMSD collaboratively tested several strategies with goals of improving recovery and reducing fines loss. Efforts have yielded twice as much phosphorus recovery increasing the average monthly Crystal Green production from 1 ton/day to 2 tons/day and they have reduced the fines loss from around 60 percent to less than 30 percent.

11:00 am - 11:30 am

LAB

Understanding Oil and Grease

Presenter: David Smith, Technical Director, Environmental Express

PLAZA C/D

Oil and Grease is a fairly common parameter for environmental compliance monitoring. As a method defined analyte it is limited in the amount of flexibility given to adapt the analysis to various circumstances. Understanding what is happening during the analysis will help the analyst make better decisions in working with difficult samples and deciding how to best approach the procedure. We will discuss the two most common variations, liquid-liquid extraction and solid phase extraction, as well as the advantages and disadvantages of each method.

WET

Biological High-Rate Clarification with Use of Existing SBR

Presenter: Paul Wood, Associate - Lockwood, Andrews & Newnam, Inc.

RUBY

The City of McHenry, IL recently installed a Biological High-Rate Clarifier system to treat wet weather flows up to 10 MGD for BOD and TSS removal. The plant also installed an SBR system to treat everyday flow. The design was set up so that one of the SBR basins would automatically become the biological contact tank for the Biological High-Rate Clarifier during a wet weather, high-flow event. By having fresh process water in the largest basin in the system, the start-up time of the Clarifier is reduced by roughly 75% during a rain event.



IWPC 2019 Mobile Session

TUESDAY, February 12, 2019 10:30 - Noon

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•	Paul Yost	Xylem Flygt	Intelligent Wastewater Pump - The New Pump
			Industry Breakthrough
•	Cassie Carroll	U of I	Energy Assessment Program
•	Don Kramer	Energenecs	Aeration Efficiency
	Jordan Lind	CLEARAS	Advanced Biological Nutrient Recovery
			(ABNR) Technology
•	Ross McArthur	Sonar Technology	3D Underwater Mapping of Lagoons

ROOM

NRR1

Tons of Green: Algae-Based Nutrient Recovery

Presenter: Leo Kucek, Project Engineer - Applied Technologies, inc.

SAPPHIRE

PLAZA C/D

Nutrient-rich surface waters across our region teem with uncontrolled algae. However, algae can also be harnessed to drive a "green" economic and environmental future via nutrient recovery. To meet ultra-low phosphorus limits, two facilities evaluated various technologies, including algae-based advanced biological nutrient recovery (ABNR), ABNR pilot tests confirmed that these systems could consistently meet effluent phosphorus concentrations below the detection limit (0.02 mg/L). At each facility (2 and 5.5 mgd), these systems are expected to generate millions in annual revenues, offering a sustainable waste recovery process. Results will be presented from two facility plans wherein algae-based ABNR technology was evaluated.

11:30 am - 12:00 pm

LAB

Quality Assurance in the Lab

Presenters: Cora Fickinger, Quality Training Officer, Teklab, Inc. and Alicia VerDuin, Inorganics Technical Manager and Microbiological Department Supervisor - Teklab, Inc.

Quality Assurance is obtained by implementing the quality controls necessary to provide reliable data. The QC requirements of some of the basic wastewater testing methods will be discussed, including where to find them and how to use them to support the validity of your lab results.

WET

Hurricane Harvey: Damage and Recovery at the Conroe Southwest Regional WWTP

Presenter: Greg Hall, Wastewater Superintendent, City of Conroe, TX

RUBY

Hurricane Harvey hit the Texas coast on August 26, 2016. The Conroe Southwest Regional Wastewater Treatment Plant (WWTP) lies south of Lake Conroe, which released water at a record 79,000 cfs. These releases swelled the downstream San Jacinto river and overtopped the levee that normally protects the Southwest Regional Plant, causing staff to be air lifted out on August 28, 2017. Through heroic efforts of the City staff, support by local vendors and repair shops, the plant was able to return to operation on August 3, 2017 three days later, and meeting permit on August 4, 2017.

NRR1

Enabling Fully Integrated Wastewater Resource Recovery

Presenter: Jordan Lind, CEO, Clearas Water Recovery

SAPPHIRE

Wastewater resource recovery lies at the heart of the global circular economy. Increasing pressure on freshwater resources for communities and industries, as well as demand for the recovery of additional value from generated waste streams benefiting the bottom-lines of cities and manufacturers, requires the advent of new biological technologies capable of performing those tasks at unprecedented levels. South Davis Sewer District is paving the way to the future with their implementation of Advanced Biological Nutrient Recovery (ABNR) technology under construction as the first commercially integrated resource recovery facility of its kind in the world. CLEARAS Water Recovery has pioneered the most effective biomechanical platform in commercial operation to date for industrial and municipal wastewater treatment, using advanced information management systems, sensor arrays, and the naturally aggressive nutrient uptake properties of microalgae to effectively remove 99.9% of excess phosphorus, nitrogen and other common contaminants from wastewater without the need for costly chemicals or acres of open raceways. The South Davis full-scale 4 MGD ABNR installation and ground-breaking was announced in May 2017, in conjunction with the construction of a regional food waste-to-energy project set to produce an amazing energy footprint offset for the district and their ratepayers. In addition to their energy savings, the District is recycling the CO2 produced from this food waste to energy or combined heat and power (CHP) operation as an essential input to their ABNR platform. South Davis and CLEARAS are a case study in the economic benefits in transitioning from traditional, linear wastewater treatment to true resource recovery facilities for businesses, communities, and the world. Once fully operational, it is expected that South Davis will produce energy savings of nearly 734 megawatt hours with 1,100 tons of dry-weight biomass per year for use in downstream industries as varied as soil enhancement to bioplastics to protein supplements.

1:00 pm - 1:30 pm

PRET

2018 US EPA Pretreatment Training Highlights and Update

Presenter: Eduardo Gasca, Senior Environmental Engineer - St. John-Mittelhauser & Associates, Inc.

PLAZA A/B

In 2018, the US Environmental Protection Agency (US EPA) sponsored a series of two-day Clean Water Act NPDES Pretreatment Training, One of this training was offered in Indiana at the Indiana Government Center on July 18-19, 2018. The main target audience was municipality representatives in charge of the Publicly Owned Treatment Works (POTW) or entity that normally enforce the Pretreatment regulations to those Industrial Users that discharge their effluent to municipal wastewater sewer and wastewater treatment works. The purpose of this presentation is to help disseminate the information presented during this training session and is a summary of the 2-day training. It includes a general overview of the Pretreatment program, regulations and standards; approaches to develop industrial user inventories and industrial users classification; resources available for industrial user inspections, reporting requirements; regulating Non-Categorical Significant Industrial Users; common deficiencies of Sewer Use Ordinances (as observed by US EPA), Enforcement Response (as presented by US EPA); when Significant Non-Compliance is reached by IUs, and constituents or parameters of concern that US EPA is studying and evaluating to include in the Pretreatment program.

ROOM

ELEC

Customizing Your Energy Mix: Can Solar Improve Plant Operations?

Presenters: William Graves - Sol Systems and Sandy Bernard, Process Engineer, American Bottoms Wastewater Treatment Plant

PLAZA C/D

With the implementation of Illinois' recently passed Future Energy Jobs Act (FEJA), solar energy is rising rapidly as a preferred source of power in Illinois. Given the potential for reduced energy costs, utilities and plant operators are reevaluating their energy mixes. This session is designed to provide plant operators with a case study containing resources and information needed to understand what solar options are available in Illinois, the impact on financial and sustainability goals, and notable challenges when pursuing solar energy.

NRR2

Thinking Differently: A Synergistic Solution for Nutrient Removal

Presenter: Ted R. Bluver, Civil Engineer - Greeley & Hansen

SAPPHIRE

As nutrient limits begin to take shape in Illinois, developing cost-effective solutions to satisfy new regulatory constraints can be challenging. The Greater Peoria Sanitary District proactively completed planning, design, construction, and commissioning of nutrient removal improvements. The thoughtful approach presented in this case study is useful to municipalities as it shows how nutrient removal improvements can be used as an opportunity to simultaneously reduce operational costs through plant-wide energy savings, address other operational challenges, and supplement the capital costs for the improvements with energy efficiency grant funding and public-private partnership.

COLL

Implementation of the Infiltration / Inflow Control Program Presenter: Michael Zigulich, Associate Civil Engineer - MWRDGC

RUBY

This presentation will focus on the requirements and progress made in the Short Term Program of the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago's Infiltration / Inflow Control Program (IICP). IICP provides a framework for asset management of separate sewer systems with the goals of preventing sanitary sewer overflows and basement backups, complying with the District's NPDES permits, including federal, state, and local regulations, and minimizing extraneous flows transported to the District's facilities due to defective system components or illegal connections.

1:30 pm - 2:00 pm

PRET

Identifying Industrial Users Within Your Service Area

Presenter: Nichole Schaeffer, Environmental Department Manager - Baxter & Woodman, Inc.

PLAZA A/B

The USEPA National Pretreatment Program Headquarters gave an estimate in May 2017 at the National Association of Clean Water Agencies (NACWA) National Pretreatment Conference that over 500 categorical industrial users (CIU) in Illinois are operating without control mechanisms and discharging unregulated categorical process wastewater to treatment facilities (WWTF). It is crucial for wastewater treatment facilities with and without pretreatment programs understand how to locate and identify industrial and commercial users in order to survey and evaluate the industrial processes, liquid chemical storage for spill potential assessment, and waste stream generation, pretreatment, discharge and or disposal.

ELEC

Energy and Cost Saving Opportunities for Wastewater Processes

Presenters: Ryan Siegel, Energy Engineer - Smart Energy Design Assistance Center (SEDAC) and Chad Kruse, Manager, Office of Energy at Illinois Environmental Protection Agency

PLAZA C/D

Energy use can significantly impact local government's annual operating budgets, especially for local governments that own and operate wastewater treatment facilities. Energy efficiency improvements can save energy and money, and provide other economic and environmental benefits for local governments. This session will focus on energy-saving opportunities at wastewater facilities, highlighting case examples from the Illinois EPA's Wastewater Treatment Plant Assessment Program, and discussing ways to overcome common implementation barriers. Available technical support and funding opportunities across Illinois will be featured to help facilities achieve energy reduction and cost-savings.

NRR2

S2EBPR Configuration for Phosphorus Removal at DuPage County

Presenters: Mark Halm, Vice President - Walter E. Deuchler Associates, Inc. and Jay Dahlberg, Chief Operator, DuPage County Department of Public Works **SAPPHIRE**

Walter E. Deuchler Associates, Inc. was retained to prepare a 'Phosphorus Removal Feasibility Plan and Discharge Optimization Plan' for the DuPage County Woodridge Greene Valley and Knollwood WWTP. The feasibility study became the basis for the design of the Knollwood WWTP. The waste was characterized and jar testing conducted to determine metal salt chemical dosages. A calibrated process model was developed and the process performance of several alternatives were evaluated. The biological process implemented at Knollwood can be configured for S2EBPR SSR, or an A0 process. Configuration and performance data will be presented from startup and operation.

COLL

Calumet Tunnel and Reservoir Plan History and Impact

Presenter: Dylan Cooney, PE, Associate Civil Engineer, MWRDGC

RUBY

The Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago (District) adopted the Tunnel and Reservoir Plan (TARP) over 40 years ago to reduce pollution and flooding from combined sewer overflows (CSOs) in the Chicagoland area. The Calumet TARP System serving the south side of Chicago and suburbs was completed in 2015 when the Thornton Reservoir was placed into operation. The presentation will describe the Calumet TARP system and its impact on the community, including reductions in CSOs and flooding protection for over 182,000 structures within its service area.

ROOM

2:00 pm - 2:30 pm

PRET

A PCI Tutorial: Everything's Going to Be All Right

PLAZA A/B

Presenter: Karen K. Clementi, Vice President - Deuchler Environmental, Inc.

Is your facility prepared for a U.S. EPA Pretreatment Compliance Inspection (PCI)? Pretreatment compliance is a renewed priority for the U.S. EPA and they will be increasing both the number and frequency of PCIs in Illinois. In June 2018, the Fox Metro Water Reclamation District (FMWRD) had their first PCI in 15 years. This presentation will focus on the recent experience during FMWRD's PCI and the U.S. EPA's specific priorities. The presentation will provide guidance on Pre-Inspection Paperwork; Format and Procedures; Interviews; Site Visits; File Review Preparation; Lessons Learned; and Tips for a Successful PCI.

ELEC

Choosing the Right Blower Technology

PLAZA C/D

Presenter: Travis L. McGrath, Product Manager - Blowers - Atlas Copco

For several decades, lobe and multistage blowers had been the tried and true blower technologies for wastewater treatment plants, and until recently there had been no major developments in this portion of the wastewater treatment process. However, over the past 15 years the demand for increased energy efficiency has led to major advances in the available equipment to provide aeration. The primary technologies developed over the last 15 years have been single-stage integrally geared centrifugal blowers, positive displacement screw blowers, and high speed direct-drive centrifugal blowers. These technologies can greatly reduce the power consumption and electricity costs of a plant.

NRR2

Achieving Stable EBPR at Gary Sanitary District

SAPPHIRE

Presenter: Anthony Giovannone, Environmental Engineer - CDM Smith

The Gary Sanitary District operates a 60 MGD design average daily flow WWTP with an effluent total phosphorus limit that is based on a percentage removal of the influent phosphorus. Biological phosphorus removal was not reliable as influent carbon was insufficient and operational conditions were not ideal for PAO growth. GSD moved forward with a HSW receiving program at the WWTP, increasing available influent carbon for EBPR and made significant operational improvement. GSD eliminated chemical use for phosphorus removal and saving \$36,000 annually while consistently meeting their effluent phosphorus limit using EBPR and without any upfront capital costs.

COLL

Keep Out the Rain - Kansas City's Private I/I Program

Presenter: Sara Goebel, Staff Civil Engineer - Burns and McDonnell Engineering

RUBY

The Private I&I Reduction Program taking place in Kansas City, Missouri includes removing rainwater from the Sanitary System. Kansas City's "Keep out the Rain" program (KOTR) has completed its second year and is well into its third year. We'll look at the set up of the Program, sources we are removing, technologies we are using for collect/manage data, also the source removal process including coordination with pre-qualified plumbers and the agreed upon unit prices. We'll also be looking at the tremendous success in cost effectiveness, staying well under the \$1.15/gpd removal goal of the program.

2:30 pm - 3:00 pm

PRET

Conducting Pretreatment Site Inspections

Presenter: Lisa G. Lucht - Baxter and Woodman

PLAZA A/B

Unauthorized wastewater discharge from industries and other non-domestic sources can cause significant problems at wastewater treatment plants, including hazardous conditions, interference of operations, and pass-through of pollutants. Site inspections are essential to fully understand an industry's process and to correctly classify an industry for both approved and non-approved pretreatment programs. This talk's focus will present guidance from the 2017 "USEPA Industrial User Inspection and Sampling Manual for POTWs", and suggestions for key questions to ask of several industrial user types for classification and confirmation of compliance.

ELEC

Managing the Migration of Outdated Programmable Logic Controllers

PLAZA C/D

Presenter: Thomas Powell, Instrumentation and Controls Group Head/Associate - Greeley & Hansen

Water and Wastewater treatment plants require many types of monitoring and control systems for automation and equipment monitoring. How systems work together and communicate defines project success. As these systems age, performance can diminish and repair costs can skyrocket. Many times the process control system is either left as originally installed or modified through multiple contracts resulting in either a hybrid system of multiple vintages and manufacturers. The method of replacement migration an outdated system can present operational, construction, and engineering challenges. An engineered migration can improve process system operation, energy efficiency, and improve information available to operators.

NRR2

Taking Biological Process Controls from Manual to Reactive to Predictive Presenter: Leon Downing, PhD., PE, Principal Process and Innovation Leader, Black & Veatch

SAPPHIRE

Biological nutrient removal (BNR) coupled with ammonium based airflow control (ABAC) provides a process configuration and control to enhance nutrient removal, provide process stability, provide selective biological pressures and aeration energy savings. This presentation will provide 12 months of startup data related to process troubleshooting, controls optimization, and performance summary from a 189 mgd facility in Texas.

ROOM

COLL

Creating Efficiencies Using Mobile GIS and Operational Dashboards for Wastewater Systems Presenter: Kyle Engelking, GIS Specialist - Symbiont

RUBY

The margin for efficient and precise record keeping is razor thin today as we are able to create and obtain data at the tip of our fingers 24/7. This has forced many utility operators to turn to a shared Geographical Information System (GIS) to help them maintain and improve their asset management systems and record keeping. This presentation will focus on several small to mid-sized wastewater utilities and their approach to using a GIS to maintain their wastewater infrastructure assets and aid in their various reporting activities.

4:00 pm - 4:30 pm

ENRG

Upgrades to Secondary Treatment System to Increase Process Efficiency & Decrease Operating Costs Presenter: Andrew Deitchman, Senior Project Manager - Walter E. Deuchler Associates, Inc.

PLAZA A/B

Walter E. Deuchler Associates, Inc. collaborated with Fox Metro Water Reclamation District to improve the single stage nitrification activated sludge process to increase plant efficiency and prepare the process for future conversion to biological phosphorus removal. The improvements included air main replacement, process instrumentation addition, blower replacement, and implementation of a dissolved oxygen control system. Significant energy savings are obtained as a result of the blower replacement and air valve control scheme optimization. Data trends show the DO control curves tracking the DO setpoints. The 20-year present worth of the power savings realized by the project is approx. \$3.38M.

ELEC

GreenBush CSO Tank- Electrical Design Innovation

PLAZA C/D

Presenter: Nitika Yadav, Electrical Engineer - Greeley & Hansen and Jay Bielanski, Associate, Greeley & Hansen

The Greenbush CSO Storage Tank project provided a spark to transform the city's underutilized area and serve as a spring board for the redevelopment of the site. An electrical building was constructed to house electrical and control components. Electrical and Control Design considerations and challenges included: electric utility coordination, NFPA 820 compliance, maintenance considerations, flood risk mitigation, security, aesthetics, safety and complete automation. The Project design involved making sure the top of the tank has minimum or no electrical equipment above grade. The presentation will discuss the innovative solutions implemented for Electrical design using the project as case study.

NRR2

A Shortcut Nitrogen Removal Process for a Wisconsin WWTP

SAPPHIRE

Presenters: Bradley Lake, Project Manager - Strand Associates, Inc. and Troy Stinson, Senior Associate/Project Manager, Strand Associates, Inc.

The City of Fond du Lac, Wisconsin Regional Wastewater Treatment Facility is a 9.84 MGD (design average) conventional activated sludge plant. This facility co-digests high strength waste with excess biosolids in its temperature phased anaerobic digestion process (TPAD) to generate energy in a biogas engine. However, digestion of the high-strength waste results in large ammonia recycle loading back to the aeration tanks from the centrate generated by the centrifuge dewatering process. This facility will soon start-up a shortcut nitrogen removal process which reduces ammonia in the centrate prior to recycling to the aeration system.

COLL

Reducing Collection System O&M Costs by Eliminating Lift Stations with Deep Gravity Sewers Presenter: Jordon Thomas-Harris, Project Engineer - Lockwood, Andrews & Newnam, Inc.

RUBY

Sewage treatment services on the far west side of Houston are currently contracted with the Chelford City Municipal Utility District at an annual cost of \$600k. After performing a detailed life cycle cost analysis (LCCA) of this arrangement, the City initiated the Chelford City Diversion project to divert flow to their Upper Brays Bayou WWTP, which will eliminate annual contract costs, utilize unused capacity at the Brays Bayou WWTP, and reduce 0&M costs of operating nine lift stations. This presentation will discuss the LCCA evaluation and the design and construction challenges of the selected project.

4:30 pm - 5:00 pm

ENRG

CHP and Solar Systems in Wastewater Treatment

PLAZA A/B

Presenters: Jorge Carvajal, Mechanical Engineer - Greeley & Hansen and Nikita Yadav, Electrical and Controls Engineer, Greeley & Hansen

The City of Lafayette, Indiana, through their program Lafayette Renew, has embarked on a mission to reduce energy consumption in their wastewater treatment plant. The plant understands that while a portion of digester gas is currently used for digester and building heating, there are opportunities to further optimize digester and natural gas utilization by improving solids and waste handling processes. Additionally, the plant has long envisioned the installation of a solar field to accomplish their long-term goal of energy and carbon neutrality. Greeley and Hansen studied different scenarios and technologies to help Lafayette Renew accomplish their immediate and future goals.

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Power in Planning - Electrical Upgrades at WSSC's Piscataway WRRF Presenter: Jay Bielanski, Associate - Greeley & Hansen

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Wastewater facilities are in a constant state of change as improvements are implemented, as these improvements are implemented they compete for various resources. The competition for one resource is often overlooked, but is essential: a continuous source of reliable electrical power. Without reliable power critical wastewater treatment processes can fail and cause costly service disruptions. This paper will look at the key electrical elements that should be considered when implementing any infrastructure improvement and will present a case study discussing the challenges during the Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission's (WSSC) Piscataway WRRF Electrical Upgrades Project.

NRR2

Fermenters and Sidestream Phosphorus Treatment: Process Design and Practical Considerations Presenters: Jennifer Loconsole, Civil Engineer - Black & Veatch and Leon Downing, Principal Process and Innovation Leader, Black & Veatch

SAPPHIRE

The Fox River Water Reclamation District (FRWRD) in Elgin, IL owns and operates three water reclamation facilities (WRFs), the Albin D. Pagorski WRF (ADP WRF), the North WRF (NWRF) and the West WRF (WWRF), providing wastewater treatment services to 180,000 people within the communities of Elgin, South Elgin, West Dundee and surrounding areas in Kane and Cook Counties, including a portion of the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago (MWRDGC). The ADP WRF provides regional biosolids management for the three WRFs. FRWRD received NPDES permits that require compliance with 1.0 mg/L total phosphorus as an annual average. The District's Phosphorus Removal Feasibility Report concluded biological phosphorus removal (bio-P) to be the most cost-effective method of managing phosphorus at the three WRFs. The West WRF is already configured for biological phosphorus and nitrogen removal in a five-stage Bardenpho Process. This presentation will provide an overview of the biological phosphorus removal processes proposed to be implemented at the three WRFs, and provide details on practical design considerations required to enable the S2EBPR process while allowing process operations flexibility.

COLL

Under the River and Through the Pipelines Presenter: Greg Vaughn, Senior Project Manager, LAN, Inc. **RUBY**

This case study explores the major challenges faced during the design of a 66-inch interceptor for the City of Fort Worth within a city owned golf course. One challenge encountered was the design of a two-barrel inverted siphon with a wide range of flows that also minimized at grade impacts.

Another major design challenge was addressing a conflict between two gas pipelines and the proposed interceptor profile. This was accomplished by splitting portions of the interceptor into reduced sized parallel lines at each pipeline crossing and threading the needle between the pipelines.



ROOM

9:00 am - 9:30 am

OPS1

Do You Need a Computerized Maintenance Management System (CMMS)?

RUBY

Presenter: Bruce Butler, UCSD Maintenance/Purchasing Program and Strategies - Urbana & Champaign Sanitary District

The Urbana & Champaign Sanitary District (UCSD) has two treatment plants, twenty eight lift stations, ninety five miles of sewers, and 2200 manholes to maintain with a staff of twenty and a support staff of two. These facilities and staff serve over 150,000 customers. UCSD incorporated the use of a centralized purchasing system and Computerized Maintenance Management System (CMMS) in the mid 1980s. Although the phrase Asset Management was not a phrase commonly used back then, elements of a modern Asset Management Plan were included in the CMMS. See what UCSD does to make this system work, along with some of the many intangibles the District has to work around, and well as the always interesting lessons learned the hard way.

PLAN

Intensification: When Does it Make Cents or Sense? A Tale of Three Case Studies Presenter: Matt Sokolowski, Engineer - Carollo Engineers, Inc.

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Every year technology shrinks the world, allowing us to cram more capacity and functionality into smaller devices. The wastewater treatment industry is no different. New technologies allow us to intensify treatment, accomplishing higher performance within the existing footprint of an aeration basin or clarifier. However, like any new technology, there are both advantages and disadvantages. This presentation will review case studies of different intensification technologies and will discuss the specific advantages (when compared to conventional treatment) that led each agency to pursue or not pursue intensification. Will intensification make sense for your next facility upgrade?

9:00 am - 10:00 am

SHED1

Illinois Water Quality Standards Update Presenter: Brian Koch, IEPA

SAPPHIRE

Brian Koch has been working for the Illinois EPA for 13 years. He works in the Water Quality Standards section of the Division of Water Pollution Control. He has a B.A. and M.S. in Zoology from Southern Illinois University Carbondale, with specialization in fish biology and aquatic toxicology. His primary responsibilities at the Agency include developing

water quality standards, 316(a) and (b) review, whole effluent toxicity review, and management of the fish contaminant monitoring program.

9:30 am - 10:00 am

OPS1

Let the Water Flow: Startup of the New Aerated Grit Facility

RUBY

Presenters: Ryan Christopher, Associate - Greeley & Hansen and Paul O'Brien, Principal Civil Engineer - MWRDGC

The Imhoff Replacement Project was implemented to upgrade the primary and preliminary treatment at the Stickney WRP. The replacement project included demolition of existing Skimming and Imhoff Tanks and the installation of a new Aerated Grit Facility and nine Primary Settling Tanks capable of treating 720 MGD. The startup of a system this large requires careful planning in order to not affect the overall treatment that is ongoing and provide Maintenance and Operation staff the ability to work out challenges with the new system. This presentation will discuss the lessons learned from the startup of the 720 MGD project.

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Selection of the Appropriate SBR Process Within Existing Site Constraints

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Presenters: Todd Peek, Water Infrastructure Services Manager - Illinois - Thouvenot, Wade & Moerchen, Inc. and Chris Bergmann, Water Infrastructure Services Leader, Thouvenot, Wade & Moerchen, Inc.

Ensuring that treatment plants are continuing to meet evolving effluent standards can be challenging and costly. Upgrades must not only consider current and future limits but must also ensure continuity of operations throughout construction. The selection of a treatment process that provides proper treatment while being seamlessly incorporated into the existing plant confines requires significant planning. TWM will present case studies for various plants in which SBR technology was used to meet these effluent limits. Each plant presented unique challenges and involved some variation on the technology, ensuring operator comfort with maintenance requirements and allowing continued operation during construction.

10:30 am - 11:00 am

SHED1

Illinois Nonpoint Source Program Update

SAPPHIRE

Presenter: Chris Davis, IEPA

Chris Davis has been a project manager in the Nonpoint Source Unit, Bureau of Water, Illinois EPA for 25 years. Her Section 319 projects include watershed plan development and implementation in both urban and rural areas of the state. Prior to Illinois EPA, Chris worked in central Illinois as a Resource Conservationist for 3 soil and water conservation districts.

OPS1

Ultraviolet Disinfection: Tips, Tricks and Considerations

Presenter: Paul Wood, Associate - Lockwood, Andrews & Newnam, Inc.

Ultraviolet Disinfection is a reliable technology. The current standards for application of this technology are well documented but can be somewhat confusing. NWRI guidelines are directed at reuse and discharge standards, such as the Ten State Standards have not been updated for more than 14 years. The WEF publication Ultraviolet Disinfection for Wastewater provides guidance and rational for implementation. A case study of a current design will be provided, which shows historical plant data analyzed, and results of a collimated beam test and considerations to determine system sizing.

RUBY

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BAF vs. CAS: An Evaluation of Biological Aerated Filtration

PLAZA A/B

Presenter: Kam Law, Civil Engineer - Greeley & Hansen

The Evansville Water & Sewer Utility's (EWSU) West WWTP utilizes a unique combination of conventional activated sludge (CAS) and biological aerated filtration (BAF) for secondary treatment. BAF replaces aeration tanks and final settling tanks used in CAS, and contains the entire secondary treatment process within a single, compact structure using media-filled cells for treatment. Per EWSU's consent decree requirement which increases future peak influent capacity, an analysis was performed to evaluate the options of expanding the BAF and/or CAS system. Due to smaller relative footprint and increased loading capacity, BAF was selected for the expansion, saving millions for EWSU.

11:00 am - 11:30 am

SHED1

Illinois TMDL Program Update Presenter: Abel Haile, IEPA

SAPPHIRE

Abel Haile is the Planning (TMDL) Unit Manger in the Bureau of Water-Watershed Management Section. He has been with Watershed Management Section for almost five years working on TMDL Watershed projects in Illinois. Prior to joining Watershed Management Section, he was with the BOW/Permit Section- Northern Municipal Unit as a permit engineer and worked on NPDES Permits, Facility Plans, and wastewater treatment/transporting construction permit applications for over 23 years.

OPS1

Chemical Phosphorus Removal - Design and Operation Considerations

RUBY

Presenter: Stephen Dennison, Senior Project Manager - Engineering Enterprises, Inc.

Chemical Phosphorus Removal (Chem-P) is often required for Wastewater Treatment Facilities to consistently meet their respective permit limit. However, Chem-P systems have often turned into operations and maintenance headaches for Operators. This presentation will provide an overview of design considerations for Chem-P systems at Wastewater Treatment Facilities, including regulatory requirements, chemical options, equipment sizing, and chemical injection (discharge) point options. Practical considerations will be presented based upon lessons learned from existing systems. Furthermore, recent case studies for Chem-P systems at the Carpentersville, IL WWTF (Ferric Chloride) and Huntley, IL East WWTF (Aluminum Sulfate) will be highlighted.

PLAN

Odor Control Studies at Egan and O'Brien Water Reclamation Plants

PLAZA A/B

Presenter: Eric Compton, Environmental Engineer - CDM Smith

Odor control studies at the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District Eq.

Odor control studies at the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District Egan and Oââ,¬â,¢Brien Water Reclamation Plants are being completed - including conceptual design of odor treatment facilities. Successful odor control requires an approach that considers containment, conveyance, and treatment. To address the broader aspects of odor control, an overall project approach was developed that included multiple phases and considerations. The primary goal of the project is to reduce odors at the two plants by focusing on known offensive areas/processes, employing technologically proven, cost-effective, and maintenance and operation friendly odor treatment/minimization approaches.

11:30 am - 12:00 pm

SHED1

Chloride Variance: Time-Limited Water Quality Standard Update Presenter: Lindsay Birt. Huff & Huff/GZA

SAPPHIRE

Dr. Lindsay Birt, Assistant Project Manager at Huff & Huff, a subsidiary of GZA, Inc, has extensive experience in water quality monitoring and modeling, storm water management, sustainable design and performance assessments, and watershed management. Dr. Birt completed a Ph.D. in Agricultural and Biological Engineering from Purdue University with an emphasis in Environmental & Natural Resources Engineering. She holds a M.S. and B.S. in Biological and Agricultural Engineering from Texas A&M University.

PLAN

BioWin modeling to Develop BNR Process Configuration to meet NPDES Permit Presenter: Bulbul Ahmed, Environmental Engineer/Scientist - Stanley Consultants, Inc.

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In general, the BioWin simulator is widely used to model wastewater treatment options involving physical, chemical and biological processes. BioWin is an excellent simulation tool for comparing secondary treatment options and modeling nutrient (N, P) removal efficiency of biological nutrient removal (BNR) processes. BioWin was used to develop BNR process configuration for a wastewater resource recovery facility (WRRF) expansion project challenged with limited infrastructure and capital availability. This presentation will discuss how BioWin was used to finalize the process configuration and reactor size. Additionally, steady-state simulation results for the final design will be presented.

OPS1

Process Monitoring and Control for Biological Phosphorus Removal Presenter: Mark J. Halm, Vice President - Walter E. Deuchler Associates, Inc.

RUBY

Walter E. Deuchler Associates, Inc. (WEDA) has completed several phosphorus removal feasibility studies, pilot and full-scale designs of BPR facilities in Illinois ranging from 2.44 MGD to 42 MGD. While useful, desktop models of biological phosphorus removal may not translate into successful designs and as a result there may be operational and compliance issues. The presentation will address waste characterization for design, flexibility of process design, monitoring and control. Data will be presented including design rule-of-thumb ratios for successful treatment versus actual performance. Environmental monitoring: ORP, and nitrate concentrations will be presented showing the impact of these conditions on operations.

ROOM

1:00 pm - 1:30 pm

SHED2

Illinois EPA Permits Section Update

Presenter: Brant Fleming, IEPA Permits Section

SAPPHIRE

Brant Fleming has been working in the Illinois EPA Section for over 10 years. He is a 2006 graduate of Southern Illinois University – Carbondale obtaining a B.S. in Civil Engineering, and a registered Professional Engineer in the State of Illinois. He is responsible for reviewing municipal wastewater construction and operation permits, and NPDES discharge permits.

1:30 pm - 2:00 pm

SHED2

Illinois MS4 Permit Implementation Round Table

Moderator: Dan Bounds, Baxter & Woodman

SAPPHIRE

Dan Bounds is the Infrastructure Department Manager for Baxter & Woodman and has a BS in Civil Engineering from the U. of Illinois. Dan is a recognized local and national leader in MS4 program development and implementation. He has authored MS4 implementation manuals and BMP handbooks for numerous municipal agencies, and has assisted numerous public agencies with prioritizing program elements for the best use of available resources.

OPS2

Boosting Conservation and Efficiency for Water and Wastewater

Presenter: Bob Kisler, Sales Manager - Gardner Denver

RUBY

High power usage, rising costs, and external pressure to boost conservation and efficiency are pushing wastewater treatment plants to find innovative solutions to reduce power consumption and cut costs. Multistage centrifugal blowers offer opportunities to reduce costs and energy consumption by adjusting speed and flow rate to meet demand. This can be done manually using a butterfly valve to throttle the inlet. To move away from traditional butterfly valve throttling, you can replace the valve with a VFD (Variable Frequency Drive). As Newnan Utilities discovered at its Wahoo Creek Facility, Variable Frequency Drive (VFD) technology can be extremely effective at reducing operating costs while boosting performance and efficiency. By utilizing advanced VFD technology, Newnan Utilities was able to adapt the speed of their blowers to the constantly fluctuating load requirements, minimizing energy consumption, while allowing the plant to maintain its level of award winning focus on performance and environmental efficiency. In this paper, we compare VFD technology with manual inlet valve throttling, present estimated energy and cost savings, discuss ancillary equipment that is required to successful retrofit existing aeration blowers to accommodate VFDs, and review a case study on that demonstrates successful application of advanced VFD technology at the Newnan Utilities Wahoo Creek Facility.

1:30 pm - 3:00 pm

CLSS

Operator Certification 3 and 4 Review

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The certification review classes are geared toward the operator preparing to take the Class 1-2-3-4 certification exams. The material is a comprehensive but consolidated overview of each of the classifications topics and requirements. Class 3-4 review is heavily directed to lagoon and fixed film topics and the Class 1-2 centers of activated sludge and solids handling topics.

2:00 pm - 2:30 pm

SHED2

Active Watershed Groups in Illinois

Presenter: Maggie Yarnold, Loyola University - Chicago

SAPPHIRE

Maggie Yarnold is a fourth-year student at Loyola University Chicago studying environmental conservation and restoration, environmental policy and journalism (print).

OPS2

The Real Science Behind Polymer Activation

Presenter: Bob Grundy, Regional Sales Manager - UGSI Solutions, Inc.

RUBY

The cost of polymer is frequently the third largest operating expense at many wastewater treatment plants. While higher molecular weight is required to achieve more efficient flocculation, it also pr esents technical challenges in the preparation of polymer solutions. This presentation illustrates how to maximize the value of polymer by understanding fluid dynamics and polymer chemistry. It includes different mixing technologies on the effectiveness of polymer solution. Field evaluation showed that a well-designed polymer mixing system can improve the performance of screw press and gravity belt thickener as well as lead to significant polymer savings of up to 31%.

2:30 pm - 3:00 pm

SHED2

Watershed Implementation: Streambank Restoration 2.0 (Ted Talk)

Presenter: Stephen McCracken, DuPage River Salt Creek Workshop

SAPPHIRE

Stephen McCracken works for the Conservation Foundation and is the Program Manager for the DuPage River Salt Creek Workgroup (DRSCW). He is a graduate of Queens University Belfast and holds Masters Degrees in both Environmental Science (specializing in water resources, University College of North Wales) and Applied Environmental Economics (Imperial College London). He has twenty years of project management experience gained working in Europe, Africa and North America. He has authored several papers on resource management and water pollution.

ROOM

OPS2

An Introduction to WaterOperator.org

RUBY

Presenter: Steve Wilson, Groundwater Hydrologist - Illinois State Water Survey at the Prairie Research Institute

WaterOperator.org provides free resources from over 800 organizations (federal and state agencies, technical assistance providers, associations, trainers, etc.) that serve the water and wastewater industry. It includes a national training calendar listing nearly 15,000 workshops, training events, webinars, and conferences annually. There are links to over 18,000 resources (handbooks, videos, manuals, guides, and websites) that cover every aspect of operations, compliance, capacity development, regulations, and best practices for both water and wastewater operators. All information is free and publicly available for download. Additional resources about water industry careers and source water protection for groundwater are also available through the website. This presentation will provide an overview of the resources available for wastewater operators, and explain how to get the most benefit from the website.

3:30 pm - 4:00 pm

SHED2

Nutrient Assessment Reduction Plan (NARP) Update Panel Discussion

SAPPHIRE

Moderators: Cindy Skrukurd, Sierra Club; Stephen McCracken, DuPage River Salt Creek Workgroup; Amy Dragovich, Illinois EPA Deanna Doohaluk, DuPage River Salt Creek Workgroup

A panel discussion with several stakeholders updating the audience on the topic of the Nutrient Assessment Reduction Plan (NARP).

3:30 pm - 4:30 pm

OPS2

OSHA Excavation Standard 101 & The Rules for First Responder

RUBY

Presenter: James G. Sullivan, President - Prospan Shoring

This program will provide an overview of the rules contained within OSHA Excavation Standard 29 CFR 1926.650-651. This will include protective systems, how they work and what manufacturers require. Emergency response to cave-in and what you can expect from First Responders will also be discussed. First Responders are bound by the very same rules as those in construction. Their actions, or lack thereof, may very well surprise you.

3:30 pm - 5:00 pm

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4:00 pm - 4:30 pm

SHED2

Watershed Management Open Forum

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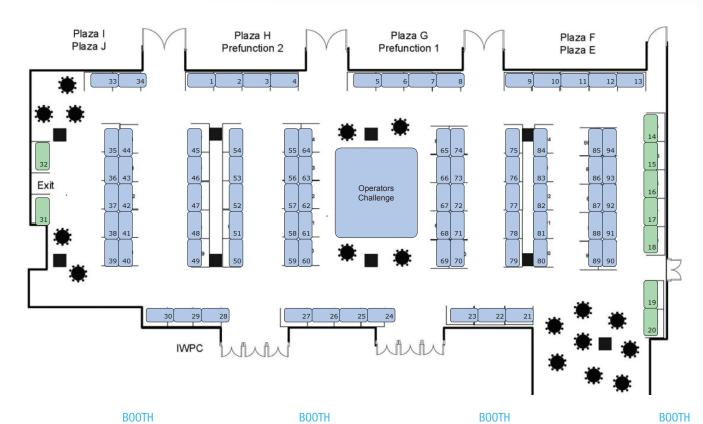
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39	Greg Piper Sales, LLC 24529 Royal Portrush Dr. Naperville, IL 60564	Represents manufacturers of manhole and pipe seals, dissimilar pipe couplers and EPP grade adjustments.	www.gregpipersales.com	
65	HMG Engineers, Inc. 9360 Holy Cross Lane Breese, IL 62230 fax (618) 594-8217	Multidiscipline consulting engineering firm with offices throughout Illinois.	https://hmgengineers. com	
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45	Marshall-Bond Pumps 118 Kirkland Circle, Suite G Oswego, IL 60543 ph. 630-319-6807	Agent of wastewater equipment	marshallbond.com	
89	MECO Engineering Co., Inc. 3120 Palmyra Road Hannibal, M0 63401 ph. 573-221-4048	Civil, Structural, Mechanical/Electrical engineering, Land Surveying		
6	Metropolitan Industries 37 Forestwood Drive Romeoville, IL 60446	Metropolitan Industries specializes in the design and engineering of complete pumping systems that solve a variety of water, wastewater and stormwater challenges in various municipal and building applications.	www.metropolitanind. com	@MetropolitanInd
38	Milliken Infrastructure Solutions 920 Milliken Road Spartanburg, SC 29303 864.503.6182	Milliken Infrastructure Solutions helps extend the life of the world's infrastructure through superior engineering support and innovative materials to help strengthen, repair, protect and rehabilitate assets with our Concrete Cloth geosynthetic cementitious composite mats.	infrastructure.milliken. com.	
44	Municipal Equipment Company 2735 Mercantile Dr St. Louis, MO 63144-2807 ph. 314-290-2977	Wastewater treatment equipment supplier including process equipment, pumps, tanks, and odor control.	www.munequip.com	
80	PDC Laboratories, Inc. 1210 Capital Airport Drive Springfield, IL 62707 ph. 217-414-7762	PDC Laboratories, Inc. is a NELAP certified environmental testing laboratory that provides analytical services throughout the environmental community.	www.pdclab.com	
68	Pedrollo Group PO Box 5263 Woodridge, IL 60517 ph. 630-478-6791	Pedrollo is a family-owned and operated water pump manufacturer in Italy. For over 40 years, its premium pump products have been sold in over 160 countries.	https://www.pedrollo. com/en/default_t1	
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56	R.E. Pedrotti 267 Wolfner Dr. Fenton, MO 63026-2801 ph. 314-577-4882	R.E. Pedrotti is a System Integrator working over 40 years in the Municipal Water and Wastewater Industries. REP specializes in SCADA, instrumentation, telemetry, controls, and service.	repedrotti.com	

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7	Shive-Hattery 316 2nd Street SE Suite 500 Cedar Rapids, IA 52401	We are a full service architecture and engineering consulting firm providing outstanding service for our clients and fulfilling careers for our employees.	www.shive-hattery.com	
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46	Spectrum Contracting Corporation 815 Beech Street Grafton, IL 63024	The upper Midwest\'s premier high-build protective and restoration coatings & linings specialist. Structural Rehabilitation, Waterproofing, Infiltration/Inflow Control, Concrete Repair & Restoration	spectrumcontracting.com	
76	Stewart Spreading 3870 N. Route 71 Sheridan, IL 60551 ph. 630-768-3085	. Route 71 Digester Cleaning & Maintenance, Mobile Dewatering and Screening, Lagoon n, IL 60551 Cleaning / Decommissioning, Vac-Truck Services, Dredging, Emergency Pumping,		
8	Suburban Laboratories 1950 S. Batavia Ave, Suite 150 Geneva, IL 60134 ph. 708-544-3260	Full service environmental laboratory analysis of wastewater, drinking water, sludge, soil and solid waste. Other services include field sampling for all Pretreatment and watershed/stream study programs.	www.suburbanlabs.com	

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42	Swanson Flo 151 Cheshire Lane N., Ste 700 Plymouth, MN 55441 ph. 763-383-4700	Providing innovative process control solutions through quality equipment and experienced application engineering and service with an unrelenting desire to create proactive customer relationships.	swansonflo.com	
87	Symbiont 6737 W. Washington Str, Ste 3440 Milwaukee, WI 53214 ph. 414-291-8840	Symbiont Science, Engineering and Construction, Inc. (Symbiont) is a full-service engineering, design-build and construction firm that collaborates with its clients to plan, design, and construct custom solutions.	http://www. symbiontonline.com/	
36	TT Technologies, Inc. 2020 E. New York St. Aurora, IL 60502 ph. 80-341-30870	TT Technologies is a leader in the water industry for over 50 years including GRUNDOMAT Piercing Tool, GRUNDORAM Pipe Ramming, GRUNDOBURST Static Pipe Bursting, GRUNDOCRACK Pipe Bursting, HDD Assist and Directional Drilling.	www.tttechnologies.com	
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3	Teklab, Inc. 5445 Horseshoe Lake Road Collinsville, IL 62234 ph. 618-920-2534	Teklab, Inc. is an environmental laboratory with a NELAP accreditation by the IEPA. Our main laboratory is located in Collinsville with office locations in Downers Grove and Springfield to better serve the entire state of Illinois.	www.teklabinc.com	
62	Tnemec / Taylor Coating 8520 Brookfield Ave Brookfield, IL 60513 fax 708-387-7941	Hi-performance protective coatings and linings	www.tnemec.com/ taylorcoating	
69	Trotter and Associates Inc 40W201 Wasco Rd Ste D St. Charles, IL 60175-8535 ph. 630-587-0470	Full service civil engineering firm established in 1999 that specializes in municipal engineering.		
77	USA Bluebook PO Box 9005 3781 Burwood Road Gurnee, IL 60031 ph. 847-377-5162	Water and wastewater MRO	WWW.USABLUEBOOK. COM	
55	VEGA Americas, Inc. 4170 Rosslyn Dr. Cincinnati, OH 45209 ph. 513-272-0131	VEGA is a global manufacturer of process instrumentation. Its product portfolio includes level measurement sensors, point level switches, pressure transmitters, and equipment and software for integration into process control systems.	https://www.vega.com/ en/home_us/	@VEGA_Americas
37	VTSCADA 718 Old Post Road Buffalo Grove, IL 60089 ph. 224-409-8221	VTScada provides control and monitoring software for Water and Wastewater treatment facilities.	https://www.trihedral. com/	

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10	WTR Solutions P0 Box 505 Earlham, IA 50072 ph. 515.240.1050	WTR Solutions provide an advance aeration technology that increases biological treatment with waste water, reduces sludge, odors and reduced electrical usage.		
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51	Wilkens Anderson Company 4525 W Division St Chicago, IL 60651 ph. 773-551-3205	We are a Chemical Lab Distributor, specializing in Apparatus, Instruments, Supplies, Chemicals and Glassware for the Water and WasteWater Industries.	www.wacolab.com	

Operators Challenge

TUE, Feb 12 | 1:00 pm - 4:00 pm Exhibit Hall

We invite all attendees to come and participate in the 6th annual Operators Challenge on Tuesday in the Main Exhibit Hall at 1:00 pm. The Operators Challenge is intended to provide a fun and educational experience that anyone can enjoy. Participants will be able to choose from any or all of the following activities:

LAB: Microscopic Examination and a Fecal Coliform analysis using the IDEXX system

SAFETY: Confined Space Entry and Chemical Identification

MAINTENANCE: SCADA system utilization and Pump Maintenance

OPERATIONS: A stunning written exam that tests your knowledge of plant operations

Each activity will be graded by a judge who will score participants based on their knowledge and procedures. Each of the four activities will be graded based on 100 points per activity for a total of 400 points. Everyone is encouraged to participate. Awards will be presented for the highest scoring individuals for each activity. An Overall Winner Award will be presented to the participant who completes all four activities with the highest overall score.

Participants may enter the contest by signing up at the registration table during the event. Pre-registration is not required.

The Operators Challenge has become a highly anticipated event so be sure to stop by, participate or cheer on your fellow colleagues.

Operators Challenge In-Kind Sponsors

We would like to thank the following companies for helping us make the 2018 Operators Challenge a success by donating their respective products and resources for use during the competitions.

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The **Shoveler award** was designed to honor those hearty individuals who strive tirelessly for the betterment of our beloved Illinois Water Environmental Association. There are those individuals who are recognized, not by the board members or executive committee, but by fellow members who work quietly and diligently on one or more committees and give freely of their time. These individuals do not seek fame or fortune or even lofty aspirations of chair or board member status. These individuals that we honor with this award expect no congratulations or acknowledgement, but revels in the feeling of a job well done. Shovelers, it is of vital importance that we, as practiced Shovelers, recognize, seek out, and nominate these shy, meek individuals. These hard working members deserve the honor of elevation to the lofty pinnacles of Mount Biosolids. We recognize these intrepid individuals and bestow upon them the honor, air, and distinction of Shoveler Status.

The I5S has made its decision using a sophisticated top secret ballet voting for new inductees into this hallowed and honored group. Inductees into this aromatic conclave are selected by their esteemed peers and usually exhibit the following characteristics:

- Selfless duty to the Illinois Water Environment Association
- Expect no accolades for their tireless duty
- Sacrifice time and effort for the common good of the committees they service.

The awarding of the coveted Golden Shovels will be presented during the Annual Awards Banquet on Monday, February 11, 2019.

2018 GOLDEN SHOVEL RECIPIENTS

-Honorary Shoveler: Ms Eileen O'Neill, WEF Keynote Speaker;

IWEA Shovelers: Mike Lutz, Farnsworth; and Dan Small, Strand Associates



WEF Service Award

Recognition of the outstanding service to the Member Association (IWEA) and the Water Environment Association (WEF). This award is given to the WEF Delegate who has just finished their three year term.

2018 Mark Halm Mary Johnson 2016

WEF Quarter Century Operators Club

Acknowledges the operators of wastewater treatment plants for their service and dedication in the water environment industry for 25 years. Applications are submitted and reviewed by the Federation Board of Directors. John Lamb

WEF Lifetime Membership

Individuals who have been a member of WEF and one or more WEF Member Association for 35 or more consecutive years, and are at age 65 or older.

2018 Terry Krause Herb Anderson

2017

William D. Hatfield

Award Acknowledges operators of

wastewater treatment plants for outstanding performance and professionalism.

2018 Sandra Matual 2017 Joel Ilsemann Brett Garelli 2015

Arthur Sidney Bedell Award

Acknowledges extraordinary personal service to a Member Association by organizational leadership, administrative service or stimulation of technical functions.

2018 Lou Storino 2017 Laurie Frieders

2016 Dan Bounds

George W. Burke Safety Award

Recognizing an active and effective safety program.

2018 Carol Stream Water Recl. Center

2017 American Bottoms **WWTP**

2015 Sanitary District of Decatur

Laboratory Analyst Excellence Award

Acknowledges an individual for outstanding performance, professionalism and contributions to the water quality analysis profession.

2018 **Bruce Rabe**

2017 Donna Coolidge



FRIDAY, June 7, 2019 10:00 a.m.

The 16th Annual IWEA Golf Outing will be held on Friday, June 7, 2019 at the Links at Carillon Plainfield, Illinois. Golfing will be followed by drinks, appetizers and awards. This is an excellent opportunity for members to get together and for businesses to market their company through hole sponsorship, interact with professionals and meet potential clients.

Proceeds contribute to the IWEA Scholarship and Charitable Giving Fund.

If you have any questions on sponsorship opportunities please contact John Lamb, IWEA Golf Committee Chair at ilamb3858@gmail.com.



PAST AWARD RECIPIENTS

Illinois Water Environment Association

IWEA AWARDS BANQUET

MONDAY, February 11, 2019

6:00 - 9:30 p.m.

Join us for the 40th Annual IWEA Awards Banquet

Crowne Plaza

Diamond/Emerald Ballroom 3000 South Dirksey Parkway Springfield, IL

- 6:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m. Cocktails and Appetizers
- 7:00 p.m. 8:00 p.m. Dinner
- 8:00 p.m.WEF and IWEA Awards and I5S Presentation

Need a ticket?

Tickets are \$75 and may still be available for purchase. Please text or call

Executive Manager Laurie Frieders 630-391-2169.

See the IWEA website Awards Page at www.iweasite.org/member_awards.php for a full listing of all past award recipients!

Kenneth C. Meridth Award

Acknowledges an individual for outstanding contributions to a wastewater treatment plant operator's professionalism.

2018 Wade Lagle

2017 Rick Lallish

Clean Water Awards

Acknowledges student winners from the Illinois Junior Water Science Fair. IWEA provided judges for water related projects.

2017 Irein Thomas

2015 Zainab Shah

Public Official Award

Presented to an elected or appointed public official that has made a documented significant contribution in the areas of clean wwater legislation, public policy, government service or another area of public prominence that resulted in improvements to the water environment.

2018 Dick Durbin, Senator, State of IL

2017 President Mariyana T. Spyropoulos

Paul Clinebell Award

Recognizes a long time member who has and continues to provide significant contributions to the Illinois Water Environment Association.

2017 Mark Halm

2016 Norm Rose

Technical Presentation Award

Acknowledges outstanding presentations at the Illinois Water Environment Association annual conference - chosen based on evaluations submitted by conference attendees.

2018 Dr. George Wells

2017 Raj Bhattarai

Illinois Stockholm Jr. Water Prize

The purpose of the SJWP program is to increase student interest in water-related issues and research and to raise awareness about global water challenges. These awardees represented Illinois in the national competition.

2018 Ashritha Karuturi

017 Irein Thomas

Sylvanus Jackson Scholarship

A \$500 scholarship acknowledging a student from the Environmental Resources Training Center through SIU-E — completing the program and pursuing a career in water operations.

2018 Sara Atwood

2017 John Greathouse

Golden Manhole Award

Recognizes a person for outstanding service in the Collections field. Selected by the IWEA Collection Systems Committee.

2018 Keith Zollers

2015 Allison Swisher

Clean Water Scholarship

A \$1,000 scholarship designed to aid students preparing for careers within the water environment.

2018 Teresa Dorado

2017 David Litwin / Chelsea Peterson

Outstanding Young Professional Award

Recognizes the contribution of young water environment professionals for significant contributions to the IWEA.

2018 Brooke Henry

2017 Kelly Lockerbie

Environmental Career Scholarship

Designed to aid science-minded students preparing for college. A \$500 scholarship to a high school student who is college bound and interested in science and the environment.

2018 Jonathan Kolweier / Jessica Shen

2017 Serena Zhu



Group 1 - Class A Plant of the Year Award

Lake County Dept. Public Works - Des Plaines

Blo-Nor Wtr Reclamation District Southeast Facility

Sang. County Water Reclamation District - Sugar Creek

Granite City Regional WWTF

Group 2 - Class B Plant of the Year Award

Lake in the Hills Sanitary District

City of Robinson Wastewater Treatment Facility

City of Pittsfield

Stookey Township WWTP

City of Murphysboro

Group 3 - Class C Plant of the Year Award

City of Oregon WWTF

Village of Banner WWTF

Village of Channahon

Village of Findlay WWTF

City of Carrollton

Caseyville Township - West STP

Lawrence Co Correctional Center

Group 4 - Class D Plant Award of the Year

Aqua Illinois - Willowbrook STP

City of Henry WWTF

Village of Stewardson WWTF

Village of Mulberry Grove

Village of Energy WWTP

Industrial Achievement Award

SWD, Inc. Addison

JBS - Swift Pork

Olin Corporation - East Alton

Operator of the Year

Janice Melton-Sheppard - City of Genoa WWTF

Dan Hughes - Jacobs - Carol Stream

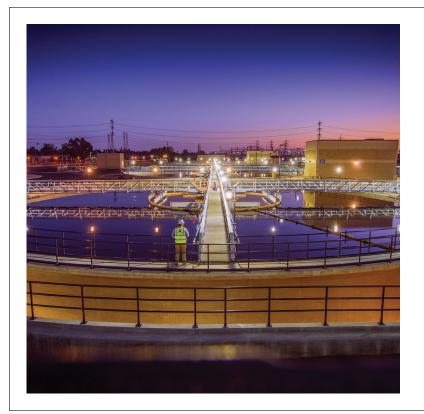
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Jake Kinkade - City of Pontiac

Tim Ferguson - American Water - Lincoln

Bill Zimmer - City of Highland WWTP

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Group 1 - Class A Plant of the Year Award

Recognizes domestic treatment facilities of 1.0 MGD and above, whose performance is indicative of extraordinary effort to properly manage, operate, and maintain their facilities to produce an exceptional effluent quality.

2017	Sangamon Co. WRD - Spring Creek
2016	American Water Oak Valley STP
2015	DeKalb Sanitary District
2014	American Bottoms Sauget
2013	Village of Hanover Park
2012	Village of Glendale Heights
2011	Rock River Water Reclamation District
2010	Urbana-Champaign Sanitary District

Group 2 - Class B Plant of the Year Award

Is all activated sludge plants below 1.0 MGD whose performance is indicative of extraordinary effort to properly manage, operate, and maintain their facilities to produce an exceptional effluent quality.

2017	Village of Mahomet
2016	United State Penitentiary - Marion
2015	City of Millstadt WWTF
2014	Caseyville Township West WWTF
2013	City of St. Charles
2012	City of Genoa
2011	Village of Davis Junction
2010	Southern Illinois University

Group 3 - Class C Plant of the Year Award

Is all biological film plants below 1.0 MGD whose performance is indicative of extraordinary effort to properly manage, operate, and maintain their facilities to produce an exceptional effluent quality.

2017	Town of Cortland
2016	Lost Lake Utility District
2015	City of Vienna WWTP
2014	Village of McNabb
2013	Village of Nokomis
2012	Village of Edinburg
2011	City of Mount Olive
2010	Village of Hutsonville

Group 4 - Class D Plant Award of the Year

Is all lagoon plants under 1.0 MGD whose performance is indicative of extraordinary effort to properly manage, operate, and maintain their facilities to produce an exceptional effluent quality.

2017	City of Bunker Hill
2016	Village of Goodfield
2015	Village of Energy WWTP
2014	Village of Dakota
2013	Village of Woodson
2012	Village of Shannon
2011	City of Breese
2010	City of Leroy

Operator of the Year Award

Acknowledges operators of wastewater treatment plants for outstanding performance and service in their community, the wastewater industry, and to the environment.

2017	Rick Lallish - ERTC
2016	Larry Stahl, Village of Hanover Park
2015	Tom Glendenning, City of Freeport
2014	Sue Baert, Wheaton Sanitary District
2013	Robert Trueblood, Fox River Water Reclamation District
2012	Fred Dale, Salt Creek Sanitary District
2011	Andrew Wamus, Village of Algonquin
2010	John LaRocca, Village of Roselle

Clarence W. Klassen Outstanding Service Award

Is presented each year by the Illinois Association of Water Pollution Control Operators, to an individual whose achievements in the wastewater field, within the State of Illinois, best exemplifies the standards of extraordinary personal service, as set by Clarence W. Klassen, former Technical Secretary and Chief Engineer of the Illinois Sanitary Water Board.

2017	Rick Manner, Urbana- Champ. SD
2016	John LaRocca, Village of Roselle
2015	Ron Smith, Fairfield
2014	Lawrence Quick, Robinson
2013	Bruce Butler, Urbana- Champ SD
2012	Paul Shetley, ERTC
2011	David Sullivan, Pontiac
2010	Joseph Koronkowski, Champaign

Industrial Achievement Award

Is an industrial plant of any size that discharges to the waterways of Illinois whose performance is indicative of extraordinary effort to properly manage, operate, and maintain their facilities to produce an exceptional effluent quality.

2017	East Dubuque Nitrogen - East Dubuque
2016	Prairie State Generating Company
2015	U.S. Steel - Granite City
2014	Olin Corporation East Alton
2013	Peoples Gas, Light & Coke Co.
2012	Tyson Fresh Meats - Joslin
2011	Equistar Chemicals, Morris
2010	Caterpillar, Mosville
2009	Sabic Innovative Plastics, Ottawa

For a full listing of all past award recipients, visit the IAWPCO website at www.iawpco.org.

SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS & FUNDRAISERS

IWEA Clean Water Scholarship

IWEA is proud to award a Clean Water Scholarship each year to deserving college students who will be the next generation of water professionals. These scholarships are funded with your support through the popular IWEA golf outing and annual conference fundraisers.

IAWPCO ERTC Scholarship

In 1977, The Environmental Resources Training Center (ERTC) was designated by the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency (IEPA) as the Illinois center for education of personnel involved in the operation, maintenance and management of drinking water supply and wastewater treatment systems. Each year at graduation, IWAPCO presents scholarships to two graduates. Students of ERTC are not currently eligible for financial assistance through the State, so these scholarships go directly to the student to help offset the cost of the year long program.

Environmental Career Scholarship

The IWEA Environmental Career Scholarship is designed to aid science-minded students preparing for college. IWEA awards a \$500 scholarship to a high school senior who is interested in science and the environment. There are requirements and judging criteria that must be met to be considered for this scholarship.

Congratulations to Our Scholarship Winners!

2019 Sylvanus Jackson Scholarship:

Brian Hindelang

2018 ERTC Scholarship:

Brian Izatt

Bobby Wheeler



MORE GIFT BASKETS & 50/50 RAFFLE

TUESDAY, February 12 - 10:30 am - Exhibit Hall

TUESDAY, February 12 - 5:30 pm - Exhibit Hall

This year's scholarship fundraiser is a Gift Basket and 50/50 Raffle. Individual tickets are \$1.00 or \$20.00 for 25 tickets. You can purchase them at the registration desk. Gift baskets are on display in the exhibit hall and at booths of sponsoring exhibitors. Just drop your tickets in the bucket(s) in front of the gift basket(s) you would like to win.

Winners for each basket will be drawn on Monday at 5:30 p.m. and Tuesday at 5:30 p.m. The winner of the 50/50 raffle will be drawn on Tuesday at 5:30 p.m.

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What you need:

1. Twitter

What are the rules?

- 5 Points for Text Only Tweet with Correct Hashtags 10 points for Photo Tweet with Correct Hashtags
- Tuesday Surprise!
 - (Tune into @IllinoisWEA Twitter Account for bonus points!)
- Incorrect tagging and non-relevant tweets will result in tweet disqualification

What are the hashtags?

All posts must include #IWPC2019, @IllinoisWEA and @IAWPCO

Bonus Tags:

#MobileSession2019 #IWPCOpsChallenge2019

#IWPCPresenter

#IWPCExhibitor

10 points 10 points

15 points 5 points

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What is the Prize?

(1) Winner Determined by Most Points Tallied by Tuesday Night

Tag Vendors with @(correcthandle) 10 points

- (1) Raffle for all other contestants:
- 1 drawing entry for 1 tweet
- 5 drawing entries for 10 tweets
- 10 drawing entries for 25+ tweets

TECHNICAL PRESENTATION EVALUATION

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1:00 pm	- 1:30 pm								
LIFT	Understanding Sensing Capabilities of Microbial Electrochemical Cells								
BIOS	Mitigating Unintentional Consequences of Biological Phospho Removal at MWRD, Colorado	orus							
1:00 pm	- 2:00 pm								
SUST	Sustainability Introduction Roundtable								
1:30 pm	- 2:00 pm								
LIFT	Installation and Performance Review of the First Installed Algae Based Wastewater Treatment Facility								
BIOS	Energy Efficiency and Nutrient Reduction Through Process Optimization in Aerobic Digester								
2:00 pm	- 2:30 pm								
LIFT	Digital Water: Treatment Plant Operational Improvements En- by Machine Learning	abled							
вюѕ	A Survey of WRRF Biosolids: Identifying Parameters Affecting Dewatering from Bio-P and THP								
3:00 pm	- 3:30 pm								
LIFT	Emerging Water Reuse Frameworks for Military Sustainment Resiliency	and							
BIOS	A Story of Biosolids Autocatalytic Pyrolysis: Process Scalabili and Biochar Applications	ty							
3:30 pm	- 4:00 pm								
LIFT	A Pilot Scale Study of MABR Technology for BNR Process Intensification								
BIOS	Marketing of the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago's EQ Compost								
4:00 pm	- 4:30 pm								
LIFT	Introducing the First Full-Scale Membrane Aerated Biofilm Reactor								
BIOS	Capture Phosphate by Designer Biochars Produced from Biosolids: A Win-Win Strategy								

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9:00 am –	9:30 am								
LAB	Regulatory Update								
WET	Cost-effective Combined Sewer Overflow LTC Plan								
NRR1	Balancing Operations, Reliability and Costs Needed to Achieve								
9:30 am -	10:00 am								
LAB	The Importance of Proper Sample Collection								
WET	Green Infrastructure and Its Economic Impacts								
NRR1	Phosphorus Influent Reduction Measures								
10:30 am -	- 11:00 am								
LAB	Ammonia Measurement by Ion Selective Electrode								
WET	Intelligent Odor Warning System at an MWRD Reservoir								
NRR1	Doubling Down on Phosphorus?								
11:00 am -	- 11:30 am								
LAB	Understanding Oil and Grease								
WET	Biological High-Rate Clarification with Use of Existing SBR								
NRR1	Tons of Green: Algae-based Nutrient Recovery								
11:30 am -	- 12:00 pm								
LAB	Quality Assurance in the Lab								$\overline{\Box}$
	Hurricane Harvey: Damage and Recovery at the Conroe Southwest Regional WWTP								
NRR1	Enabling Fully Integrated Wastewater Resource Recovery								
1:00 pm -	1:30 pm								
PRET	2018 US EPA Pretreatment Training Highlights and Update								
ELEC	Customizing Your Energy Mix: Can Solar Improve Plant Operations?								
	Thinking Differently: A Synergistic Solution for Nutrient Removal								
COLL	Implementation of the Infiltration/Inflow Control Program								
1:30 pm - 2	2:00 pm								
PRET	Identifying Industrial Users Within Your Service Area								
	Energy and Cost Saving Opportunities for Wastewater Processes								
NBB2	S2EBPR Configuration for Phosphorus Removal at DuPage County								
	Calumet Tunnel and Reservoir Plan History and Impact								

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2:00 pm	- 2:30 pm								
PRET	A PCI Tutorial: Everything's Going to Be All Right								
ELEC	Choosing the Right Blower Technology								
NRR2	Achieving Stable EBPR at Gary Sanitary District								
COLL	Keep Out the Rain - Kansas City's Private I/I Program								
2:30 pm	- 3:00 pm								
PRET	Conducting Pretreatment Site Inspections								
ELEC	Managing the Migration of Outdated Programmable Logic Controllers								
NRR2	Taking Biological Process Controls from Manual to Reactive to Predictive								
COLL	Creating Efficiencies Using Mobile GIS and Operational Dashboards for Wastewater Systems								
4:00 pm	- 4:30 pm								
ENRG	Upgrades to the Secondary Treatment System to Increase Process Efficiency and Decrease Operating Costs								
ELEC	GreenBush CSO Tank- Electrical Design Innovation								
NRR2	A Shortcut Nitrogen Removal Process for a Wisconsin WWTP								
COLL	Reducing Collection System O&M Costs by Eliminating Lift Stations with Deep Gravity Sewers								
4:30 pm	- 5:00 pm								
ENRG	CHP and Solar Systems in Wastewater Treatment								
ELEC	Power in Planning - Electrical Updates at WSSC's Piscataway WRRF								
NRR2	Fermenters and Sidestream Phosphorus Treatment: Process Design and Practical Considerations								
COLL	Under the River and Through the Pipelines								
WED	, Feb 13								
9:00 am –	9:30 am								
OPS1	Do You Need a Computerized Maintenance Management System (CMMS)?								
PLAN	Intensification: When does it make cents or sense? A tale of three case studies								
9:00 am -	10:00 am								
SHED1	Illinois Water Quality Standards Update								
9:30 am –	10:00 am								
OPS1	Let the Water Flow: Startup of the new Aerated Grit Facility								

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WED, F	eb 13								
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10:30 am - 11:	:00 am								
SHED1 Illi	nois Nonpoint Source Program Update								
OPS1 UII	traviolet Disinfection: Tips, Tricks and Considerations								
PLAN BA	AF vs. CAS: An Evaluation of Biological Aerated Filtration								
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SHED1 Illi	nois TMDL Program Update								
UPSI	nemical Phosphorus Removal - Design and Operation onsiderations								
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1:00 pm -	- 1:30 pm								
SHED2	IL EPA Permits Section Update								
1:30 pm -	- 2:00 pm								
SHED2	Illinois MS4 Permit Implementation Round Table								
OPS2	Boosting Conservation and Efficiency for Water								
2:00 pm -	- 2:30 pm								
SHED2	Active Watershed Groups in Illinois								
OPS2	The Real Science Behind Polymer Activation								
	- 3:00 pm								
SHED2	Watershed Implementation: Streambank Restoration 2.0								
OPS2	Introduction to WaterOperator.org								
3:30 pm -	- 4:00 pm								
SHED2	Nutrient Assessment Reduction Plan (NARP) Update Panel Discussion								
3:30 pm -	- 4:30 pm								
OPS2	OSHA Excavation Standard 101 & The Rules for First Responders								
4:00 pm -	- 4:30 pm								
SHED2	Watershed Management Open Forum								

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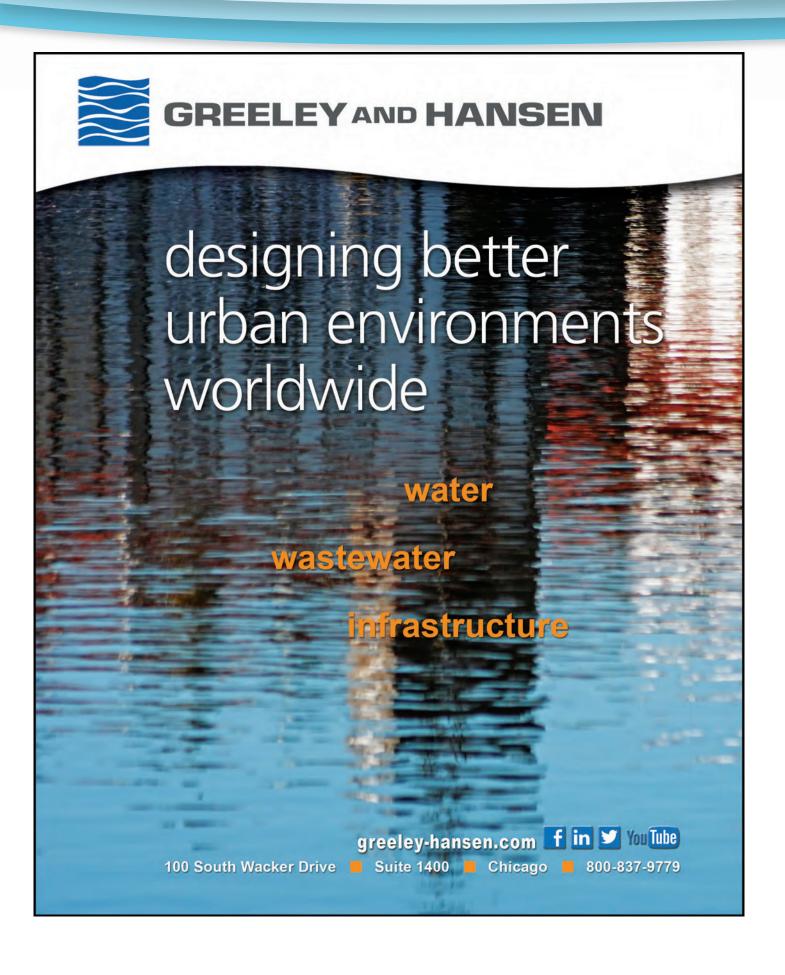




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IAWPCO & IWEA 2019 CALENDAR OF EVENTS							
Date	Meeting/Activity	Location					
FEB 20	IWEA/IWWSC Pretreatment Dinner	Ditkas, Oakbrook, IL					
MAR 7	APHA/EWR/IWEA MS4 Implementation Seminar	Chandler's Chop House, Schaumburg, IL					
APR 12	IWEA Long Range Planning Meeting	Cantigny, Wheaton, IL					
MAY 9	LIFT Innovative Technologies Tour	Gardner, IL					
JUN 7	16TH Annual IWEA Golf Outing and After Party	Carillon Golf Course, Plainfield, IL					
JUN 21	IWEA Executive Board and Chair Meeting	Starved Rock Lodge, Utica, IL					
AUG 1	IAWPCO AJ LaRocca Memorial Golf Outing	Bloomingdale Golf Club, IL					
SEP 13	IWEA Executive Board and Chair Meeting	Starved Rock Lodge, Utica, IL					
SEPT 17	IWEA Nutrient Removal and Recovery Seminar	Medinah Shriners, Addison, IL					
SEP 23-25	WEFTEC 2019	McCormick Center, Chicago					
OCT 7-10	IAWPCO 80th Annual Regional Conferences	N. East, N. West, Central and Southern IL					
DEC 6	IWEA Executive Board and Chair Meeting	Starved Rock Lodge, Utica, IL					

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