



# Mid-Atlantic Chapter Solid Waste Association of North America

## SOLID WASTE NEWS for Waste Professionals

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### Recognition and Certification of Engineers and Scientists in Solid Waste Management

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As discussed in the last Chapter newsletter, there is now the possibility for environmental scientists, in addition to environmental engineers, to become certified in **SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT** by the American Academy of Environmental Engineers and Scientists. Applications to be in the inaugural class of Board Certified Environmental Scientists certified in solid waste management (as well as applicants for any of the other eight scientist specialties and the eight engineering specialties, the latter which also includes solid waste management) are due March 31, 2014.

If you are a scientist (or have scientists on your staff), be in the very first class of those becoming certified by AAEEES in solid waste management. Be on the "ground floor."

Certification in a specific specialty, whether you are a professional engineer or environmental scientist, by a third party is further indication to the public, your clients, and your employer of your professionalism and expertise in your field.

To see one of the flyers discussing certification by AAEEES, check out <http://aaees.org/members-recruitment.php>, or [www.aaees.org](http://www.aaees.org) to find out more about AAEEES. Also, you can contact me, as I have been certified since 1983 and was on the AAEEES Board of Trustees for six years representing SWANA, which is one of the twelve sponsoring organizations of AAEEES.

Seasons Greetings

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**"Advancing the practice of economically and environmentally sound solid waste management in North America."**

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# 2014 Event Schedule

## ◆ 2014 EPA LMOP Conference – January 21-23, 2014

- The 17<sup>th</sup> annual conference and project expo is scheduled for January 21-23, 2014 at the Hilton Baltimore in Baltimore, Maryland. For more information, see <http://www.epa.gov/lmop/workshops/17th.html> (registration is free if one does not choose the meal option).

## ◆ Spring 2014 Training Course – March-May 2014

- The training course sponsored by the Mid-Atlantic Chapter is tentatively scheduled to occur in Spring 2014. The tentative course is the Manager of Composting Systems. As more details are set, we will let you know.

## ◆ 2014 Mid-Atlantic Chapter Scholarship – May 1, 2014

- The scholarship program will continue in 2014 with a submission deadline of May 1, 2014. For eligibility, application forms and instructions, please visit the Website at [www.swana-midatl.org](http://www.swana-midatl.org) or call Mehal Trivedi at (301) 600-3043. The list of the possible scholarships include:
  - \* Graduating High School Senior: Award - \$500-\$1,000
  - \* College/University Students Entering Sophomore Year: Award - \$500-\$1,000
  - \* College/University Upper Division Undergraduate: Award - \$750-\$1,000
  - \* University Graduate Student: Award - \$750-\$1,000

## ◆ 2014 ROAD-E-O – June 6, 2014

- The event is scheduled for June 6, 2014 at the Maryland Environmental Service, Mid-Shore II Waste Disposal Facility in Ridgely, Maryland. The Mid-Shore II Facility won the 2013 SWANA “Gold” Excellence Award. There is plenty of time for the prospective equipment operators in your organization and/or for those who are willing to assist the Chapter with the event to enter and/or volunteer. As more details are set, we will let you know.

## ◆ 2014 MRN/SWANA Conference – June 19-20, 2014

- The annual conference is scheduled for June 19-20, 2014 at the Maritime Institute in Baltimore, Maryland. Over 140 recycling and solid waste management professionals registered for the 2013 Conference and two dozen exhibitors displayed new products and services.

## ◆ 2014 WASTECON – August 26-28, 2014

- The 52<sup>nd</sup> annual conference is scheduled for August 24-28, 2014 at the Gaylord Texan in Dallas, Texas. Pre-WASTECON courses and tours begin on August 24<sup>th</sup>.

# Reminders / Wanted

- ◆ **“Reporters”/writers for our Chapter newsletter.**
- ◆ **Important Websites to Remember:** [www.swana.org](http://www.swana.org), [www.swana-midatl.org](http://www.swana-midatl.org) and [www.mdrecycles.org](http://www.mdrecycles.org).
- ◆ **Training the Trainers:** Contact a Board member if interested in being trained to be a trainer for a SWANA course.
- ◆ **SWANA Web Sessions:** If your organization presents e-Sessions, make them a Chapter event so that all attendees can get CEU’s. Contact Steve Lippy, Dana Murray or Shirl Wright.
- ◆ **Job Vacancies in your Organization:** Contact [swright@nmwda.org](mailto:swright@nmwda.org) for inclusion in our Chapter newsletter and website.
- ◆ **Articles, information, recent/on-going projects of interest, active purchase orders, etc.:** Contact [swright@nmwda.org](mailto:swright@nmwda.org) to be placed in our Chapter newsletter.
- ◆ **Scholarship Sponsors:** Contact Steve Lippy, Mehal Trivedi or Hallie Clemm.
- ◆ **Name(s) of Prospective SWANA Members:** Contact either our Chapter Membership Chair, Tim Ford [tford@menv.com](mailto:tford@menv.com) or direct the prospective member to our Chapter website [www.swana-midatl.org](http://www.swana-midatl.org) or SWANA’s website [www.swana.org](http://www.swana.org).
- ◆ **Newsletter Ads:** These are business card size ads only (2” x 3.5”); \$100 for 4 issues. Send your ad in a JPG or PDF file to [swright@nmwda.org](mailto:swright@nmwda.org). Please make check payable to: Mid-Atlantic Chapter of SWANA and mail to the attention of Shirl Wright at NMWDA, 100 S. Charles Street, Tower II - Suite 402, Baltimore, MD 21201-2705.
- ◆ **American Academy of Environmental Engineers and Scientists:** If you are an environmental engineer or environmental scientist, you are eligible to become a member or to be certified in solid waste management by the American Academy of Environmental Engineers and Scientists. See [www.swana-midatl.org](http://www.swana-midatl.org) or [www.aees.org](http://www.aees.org).





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***SWANA Guiding Principle:***  
***“Local government is responsible for municipal solid waste management, but not necessarily the ownership and/or operation of municipal solid waste management systems.”***