



2008 William Hapchuck Memorial Scholarship

The National Association of Wastewater Transporters, Inc., board of directors has again authorized funding for the \$1,000 William Hapchuck Memorial Scholarship. This scholarship is for college students attending full-time as of fall 2008. Applicants must write an essay of 500 words or less, responding to the question, *"How can the pumping industry help communities understand that use and management of onsite systems provides a long-term solution for their sewage disposal problems while helping to strengthen the community?"*

Applications for the scholarship must be completed and returned to the NAWT office no later than

February 10, 2008. Essays will be judged on originality, clarity and composition. The NAWT Education committee evaluates and scores the essays. The scholarship will be awarded at the Pumper and Cleaner Environmental Expo International in February at Louisville, Kentucky. In addition, the NAWT representatives to the USEPA Memorandum of Understanding Partnership will read the essay to the partnership members.

An application can be obtained by calling the NAWT office at 800-236-6298, e-mailing to info@nawt.org, or downloading the application from the NAWT Web site, www.nawt.org.

NAWT presents appreciation award to Dave Kline



Tom Frank presents plaque to Dave Kline in appreciation for hosting this year's Septage/Grease Trap Waste Symposium. (Symposium story on page 2.)

The NAWT board of directors and the symposium planning committee presented Dave Kline with a plaque of appreciation for hosting this year's Septage/Grease Trap Waste Symposium. His staff created a great opportunity for visitors to view their facility and ask questions. They met the buses, ushered people through the facility, provided coffee and doughnuts and lunch, and were generally very cordial hosts. Thanks, Dave, for furthering the industry!

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Second Annual Septage/Grease Trap Waste Symposium larger and better in 2007

The second annual Septage/Grease Trap Waste Symposium was held September 12–13, 2007, in the Harrisburg-Lancaster area of Pennsylvania. This event, which got its start last year at the Tim Frank facility in Huntsburg, Ohio, was even larger and better this year.

The event is designed to give pumping professionals who feel the need to build their own treatment facility an opportunity to learn about solutions to their disposal problems. The symposium offers case histories of companies that have established treatment facilities along with descriptions of the processes they follow, what regulatory issues they encounter and how they overcome them,



Overview of Kline facility grounds with vendors set up for demonstrations.

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NAWT partnership MOU promotes national presence

NAWT is a participant in the USEPA Memorandum of Understanding Partners. As a result, NAWT has a presence in the MOU Partners booths at onsite conferences. During October, this means participating in the Water Environment Federation Technical Exhibition and Conference (WEFTEC) conference and the American Society of Agricultural and Biological Engineers conference, two events that are national in scope and important

to bringing the message to persons in the regulatory, engineering, and academic fields about the activities and initiatives on the part of practicing professionals.

One exciting venture for NAWT is the joint sponsorship with Cole Publishing of four onsite wastewater treatment process and system installation workshops presented by Tetra Tech (an EPA consultant) on four

islands of Hawaii. This sponsorship involves the use of NAWT training materials for the presentations and an example of how, through the MOU cooperation, we are expanding the reach of the NAWT education efforts.

For more information on the session contact Barry Tanning of Tetra Tech at: Barry Tanning, Associate Director, 859.585.0370 Fax: 703.385.6007 barry.tanning@tetrattech.com.

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who designs their systems, and what are the economics of their choices.

The two-day event was set up with classroom-style case history presentations and vendor presentations on the first day, followed on the second day by a tour of an operating treatment facility and demonstrations by vendors. The event was organized in this manner because case studies involving different kinds of facilities, accompanied by explanations of equipment choices and of how the economics of the facilities work, can help participants decide what kind of facility fits their particular needs. By the second day, the participants should be able to choose which treatment facility is right for them; this allows them to select the equipment they want to examine more closely.

An important presentation was made about how to convince a lending institution to finance processing equipment. Making the case for return on investment is an important part of lining up financing, and having financing in place is crucial to starting a business.

Fifteen vendors were on hand to display their products, and, more importantly, to offer "hands on" demonstrations of how their equipment operates and how it fits into a treatment facility. Demonstrations included various screening equipment and a variety of dewatering equipment, such as a screw press, rolloff container filters, bag filters, and rotary press.



Inside a portion of the Kline Services facility.

Because personal contact with the vendors can add meaning to the demonstrations, one-on-one contact with vendors and experienced industry professionals is encouraged at the symposium. Time was provided on the first afternoon and in the evening for this to occur.

This year, Kline's Services treatment facility in Salunga, Pennsylvania, hosted the event. Participants were able to tour a variety of operations at the facility. These included grit removal, screening, dewatering, solidification, and effluent treatment prior to discharge to the Lancaster Area Sewer Authority.

Attendance this year nearly doubled to 140 participants, as opposed to 75 last year. This is a reflection of the industry's interest in the symposium as a

good place to start if a pumper is considering a treatment facility. Jerry Thompson from Holly Hill Florida said, "The live hands-on concept at Klines' could not have been better. Congratulations to your manufacturers and their representatives on a job well done. We along with everyone who attended learned a lot on Thursday."

Tom Frank, NAWT Vice President and coordinator of the symposium, is already laying plans for a bigger and better symposium for next year. It will be held at the Dave Flagg facility in Missouri, where participants will have the chance to examine a facility with a surface discharge permit. Mark your calendar for September 10–11, 2008.

Training and certification schedule

Inspector Training & Certification

November 14, 2007—Maricopa, AZ
Maricopa Agricultural Center
One Day Inspector Recertification Training
Contact : Kitt Farrell-Poe at 928-782-3836; kittfp@ag.arizona.edu

January 28–29, 2008—Laughlin, NV
River Palms Resort & Casino,
2700 S Casino Dr., Laughlin, NV.
NAWT Inspector Training Course
Contact : Kitt Farrell-Poe at 928-782-3836; kittfp@ag.arizona.edu

February 25–26, 2008—Louisville, KY
Pumper & Cleaner Environmental Expo, Louisville, KY
Kentucky Exposition Center
NAWT Inspector Training Course
Contact: NAWT office at 800-236-6298

Installer Training

November 15, 2007—Maricopa, AZ
Maricopa Agricultural Center
NAWT Installer Training
Contact : Kitt Farrell-Poe at 928-782-3836; kittfp@ag.arizona.edu

Operation and Maintenance

November 8–9, 2007—Mill Valley, CA
Operation & Maintenance Part II
COWA
Contact: COWA office at 707-579-4882

December 4–5, 2007—Mill Valley, CA
Operation & Maintenance Part II
COWA
Contact: COWA office at 707-579-4882

Vacuum Truck Technician Training

November 16, 2007—Apollo Tarentum, PA
NAWT-PSMA
Spring Hill Suites,
Tarentum, PA
Contact: NAWT office at 800-236-6298

December 4, 2007—New Philadelphia, Ohio
NAWT-OWHA
Holiday Inn, New Philadelphia
Contact: NAWT Office at 800-236-6298

February 26, 2008—Louisville, KY
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Pumper & Cleaner Environmental Expo
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