



**NAWT**  
National Association of Wastewater Technicians

# NEWSLETTER

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## Septic Smart Week 2018



### Did you know...?

Being a NAWT member gives you access to discounts to nationwide retailers such as:

- BestBuy
- Sherwin-Williams
- ADP
- AirGas
- American Express
- TRUECar
- PODS – Moving & Storage
- LegalZoom
- Windstream – Internet and Phone

And more...!

Contact our executive office at [info@nawt.org](mailto:info@nawt.org) for more information.

SepticSmart Week is an annual event that focuses on the education of homeowners and communities on the proper care and maintenance of their septic systems.

Join the effort to raise awareness by:

- [Hosting an event or training](#)
- [Sharing SepticSmart materials](#)
- [Scheduling service for your system](#)
- [Declaring a SepticSmart proclamation](#)
- Getting your local and state makers involved
- Participating in the conversation on social media **#SepticSmartWeek**

[Click here](#) to learn more about SepticSmart Week.

## 2018 Onsite Wastewater Mega-Conference

Join us as we partner with **NOWRA** (National Onsite Wastewater Recycling Association), **MOWA** (Minnesota Onsite Wastewater Association) and **SORA** (the State Onsite Regulators Association) to host the 2018 Onsite Wastewater Mega-Conference.

This year's conference will be held at:

**Doubletree by Hilton in Minneapolis**  
**October 21-24, 2018**

Conference headquarters hotel is:

**Hilton Bloomington-Minneapolis South**  
**7800 Normandale Blvd.**  
**Bloomington, MN 55437**

Room Rates

\$119 – single/double

\$129 – triple

\$139 – quad

\*14.275% local tax not included



More information coming soon!

## 2019 Hapchuk Memorial Scholarship

Are you interested in applying for the 2019 Hapchuk Memorial Scholarship?

Eligibility:

1. Must be enrolled in an accredited university offering a bachelor degree in the following fields related to wastewater transport and treatment:
  - Natural & Environmental Sciences
  - Biological Sciences
  - Agricultural & Civil Engineering
  - Management/ Business
2. Must have completed at least one year of study and have attained a cumulative grade point average above the average for the university in which you are enrolled
3. Have an interest in a career related to the management of wastewater

Please contact our Executive Office with any questions via email: [info@nawt.org](mailto:info@nawt.org) or call 800.236.6298.

**Want to make a donation?**

Mail in your donation to the 2019 Hapchuk Memorial Scholarship:

National Association of Wastewater Technicians  
Attn: Hapchuk Memorial Scholarship  
2800 W. Higgins Rd. Suite 440  
Hoffman Estates, IL 60169

Or email us at [info@nawt.org](mailto:info@nawt.org).





## Upcoming Training Courses

### INSPECTOR TRAININGS

- May 18-19, 2018 | Palestine, TX
- June 5-6, 2018 | Leadville, CO
- August 27-28, 2018 | Casa Grande, AZ
- September 7-8, 2018 | Arlington, TX
- November 15-16, 2018 | Colorado Springs, CO

## Need Training in Your State or Province?

You may now request to bring NAWT training to your state or host a NAWT Training.

Below are some requirements for hosting a NAWT Training:

- Must be in a class-room setting
- Participation should be between 10-15 attendees
- Provide NAWT Executive Office with 8 weeks minimum notice
- Schedule and provide NAWT with roster of attendees 10 days prior to course.

Please contact our Executive Office with any questions via email: [info@nawt.org](mailto:info@nawt.org) or [click here](#) to request a class online.

Classes can be scheduled for US or Canada.

## What is NAWT up to?

The NAWT Board of Directors recently participated in a strategic planning process where they examined the organization's mission statement and goals. They then confirmed that these continued to reflect the organization's views for the future.

During this process, the Board reviewed internal factors which included the following items:

- Financial
  - NAWT saw a steady financial growth in 2017. We expect better outcome for the upcoming years.
- Membership Growth
  - Total membership has steadily increased during the last four years. We have seen growth in the independent, company and association memberships.
- Member Benefits
  - The Board of Directors is currently working on improving several membership categories with incentives to join, additional benefits and more ways to communicate with the association.
- Stakeholders
  - Several types of stakeholders were identified. NAWT is working extensively to move forward with the right plan to benefit our members.
- Training Programs
  - NAWT experienced a large increase of trainings in the beginning of 2018. We are currently updating our training programs to stay up to date with the changing industry.
- Use of Technology
  - Membership database will be updated, and additional online resources will be provided for members.
- Marketing
  - Website changes are coming to NAWT's member portal. Newsletters and brochures will allow members to have more knowledge and resources through NAWT.

### Our Mission

"The mission of the National Association of Wastewater Technicians is to unify the voice of the wastewater management industry, while increasing its professionalism and public image through education of industry members and the public, and the development and national representation of individuals and state associations, allowing our industry to exchange ideas and concerns for the betterment of our members, the environment, and the general public.

To accomplish this mission, we have the following goals & purposes:

- Be the effective voice of the industry, an industry that provides essential services to maintaining a healthful environment.
- Overcome the problem that our industry has not been recognized and addressed by elected and appointed officials on all levels of government.
- Give national support for positions taken by state and local groups on legislative and regulatory issues consistent with federal standards.
- Be the information center for the industry and serve as a communication and education conduit for the gamut of people from public officials to the homeowner.
- Assist in developing, organizing, and building membership in state associations. Identify, organize, and utilize the purchasing power of the Association to the advantage of its members in the area of products and service we use.

If you would like to volunteer or be a part of a NAWT committee, please contact our Executive Office at [info@nawt.org](mailto:info@nawt.org).