

NAWT officer nominations in for 2010

The Nomination Committee met in December, and has put forth the following slate of candidates for NAWT Executive Committee for the coming year. This announcement fulfills the posting requirement in the NAWT bylaws. Approval of the slate of candidates will be requested at the annual meeting held in Louisville during the Pumper and Cleaner Environmental Expo. The candidates and the office for which each is nominated are listed below. The state or province they represent is also provided.

President: Roger Winter, Ontario

Vice-President: Bruce Fox, Pennsylvania **Secretary**: Tom Ferrero, Pennsylvania **Treasurer**: Ralph Macchio, New York

Per the NAWT By-Laws Article X Section 4, additional nominations must be made in writing two weeks prior to the Annual Meeting in order for names to be placed on the official ballot. Nominations must be received in the NAWT office by February 12, 2010, and sent to:

NAWT Secretary Tom Ferrero 336 Chestnut Lane Ambler, PA 19002-1001 or by e-mail at info@nawt.org

Register now for pre-Expo inspector and O&M workshops

Join us for the two days before the Pumper & Cleaner Expo, Monday and Tuesday, February 22–23, 2010, in Louisville, Kentucky, to take part in NAWT's nationally acclaimed workshops! Once again, NAWT will offer its two-day onsite inspector training course and, for the first time at the show, its two-day, 12-hour onsite operation and maintenance (O&M) course. The one-day vacuum truck technician training course will also be held on Tuesday, February 23.

The inspector course is at the operation level. The first day covers the basics of sewage treatment and system types using a troubleshooting perspective. The second day goes through a step-by-step procedure to conduct a system inspection. It requires attendees to locate and identify all parts of the system, assess their condition, and determine if they are operating properly. Instructors for this course will be the nationally acclaimed Dave Gustafson and Jim Anderson. and Tim Frank of Tim Frank Septic Tank Cleaning, Huntsburg, Ohio. Between them, they have more than 60 years of experience with onsite treatment systems.

Running concurrently with the inspection course will

be the special NAWT Operation and Maintenance Course designed specifically for the Expo. Topics include operating and maintaining septic tanks, ATUs, media filters and drip irrigation systems. In addition to Dave, Jim, and Tim, the instructors will include Tom Frank of Tim Frank Septic Tank Cleaning, Huntsburg, Ohio, and Kit Rosefield, Accredited Septic System Monitoring of Mi Wuk Village, California. They bring their years of expertise in owning and operating businesses that operate and maintain systems.

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- 2010 Hapchuk Scholarship
- Massachusetts Title 5 continuing education credits
- **Training & certification**

Hapchuk Scholarship application deadline February 1, 2010

Contribute to this important fund; encourage students to apply

Remember to encourage high school seniors and current college students to apply for this \$1,000 scholarship that NAWT awards every year to the winner of the NAWT essay contest. Applicants must submit a 500-word essay by February 1, 2010. The application can be downloaded at www.nawt.org.

The question set by the NAWT 2010 Scholarship Committee is:

Given that more than 25 percent of households in America use septic systems as their method for waste water treatment, and there is an increasing interest to use decentralized systems, the USEPA has suggested that there is an increased need for operation and management of these systems. This coupled with the fact that a lot of new development occurs on lots that are not able to support the use

of conventional septic systems leading to the use of alternative technologies. All of these technologies require additional attention to make sure they are performing to the desired level of treatment. What roles can the pumper play in your community to ensure that these systems are operated and managed properly to ensure protection of public health and the environment?

If you or your company would like to help a young person interested in wastewater treatment get a college education, consider including a contribution to the Scholarship with your payment of dues, or contact NAWT for more information at info@nawt.org or 800-236-6298.

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Best of all, both the inspection and the O and M course will have hands-on and field opportunities through the cooperation of Bullitt County Septic Services. In previous years in Louisville, field site opportunities have been provided by Dave Ritchie of Zaring. Dave Ritchie did a great job, and we will work with Zaring again in the future. This year, Bullitt County Septic Services offers an opportunity to see a different area and to tour their unique systems south of Louisville. As always, an exam for certification will be given for both the inspection and O and M certification.

NAWT's vacuum truck technician training course is for new owners and employees who operate vacuum trucks to clean septic tanks, aerobic treatment units, holding tanks, or grease traps. It can also serve as a refresher course and overview for experienced operators. Training



Instructor Dave Gustafson leads a demonstration at last year's pre-Expo Inspector Training workshop.

includes presentations, videos, and hands-on exercises with a pump truck.

We encourage business owners, who continually need to provide training to new employees, to consider this program. Employees

can take the on-line version of the vacuum truck technician training. Instructor for this course will be Bruce Fox, one of the course developers, and Tom Ferrero, Executive Director of NAWT.

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NAWT partners to offer Massachusetts Title 5 education credits

NAWT is pleased to team up with Massachusetts Title 5 Inspector Al Rivet to present the two-day NAWT inspection course on Tuesday and Wednesday March 16 and 17, 2010. The course will be held at the Holiday Inn in Taunton, Massachusetts. This course fully qualifies for the required 10 hours of continuing education to maintain Title 5 certification for point-of-sale sewage system inspections.

On the first day of the two-day inspection course, the basics of sewage treatment and system types are covered from a troubleshooting perspective. The second day goes through the step-by-step procedure to conduct a system inspection.

As part of the inspection training, we will actually go into the field and perform a system inspection!

Those who wish to be NAWT certified may take the exam administered at the end of the course. Contact information for inspectors who have passed the certification exam will be listed on the NAWT national website. This certification is increasingly recognized as setting the national standard for residential septic system inspections. Instructors for the workshop are Dave Gustafson, Jim Anderson, and Al Rivet.

The vacuum truck driver training is designed primarily for those new to vacuum trucks and their operation. The course will be offered on Monday, March 15, 2010, in Taunton. It is also a good refresher for experienced drivers. NAWT encourages business owners to take this course to evaluate if it helps fill their training needs for new employees.

The course is offered in classroom settings such as this and online so individuals can work through the course on their own.

Upon conclusion of the course, participants should be able to recognize trucks and their associated equipment, understand the equipment's functions, understand the vocabulary of pumping, know how to apply safety principles, how to operate the equipment safely, how to recognize which materials to avoid, how the job is regulated by government, and how to speak to customers with confidence. The instructor for this course will be Tom Ferrero, NAWT Executive Director.

REGISTRATION for NAWT Inspector (March 16–17, 2010) and Vacuum Truck Technician Training (March 15, 2010)

NAME:	COMPANY: _		
ADDRESS:			
BUSINESS PHONE:	FAX:		
REGISTRATION FEE: \$175—Vac	uum Truck Technician Training \$350	—Inspector Training	
Check enclosed	VISA MASTERCARD Car	rd Number:	
NAME ON CARD:		EXP. DATE	
SIGNATURE:			

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Training and certification schedule

Information and registration at nawt.org/training/.

Inspector Training & Certification

January 25-26, 2010 - Laughlin, NV

Riverside Resort Hotel & Casino, 1650 S Casino Dr., Laughlin, NV Register: Kitt Farrell-Poe at (928) 782-3836 or http://nawt.org/training

January 30–31, 2010 – Denver, CO

Hotel VQ call 1-800-388-5381 for lodging only; 1975 Mile High Stadium Circle, Denver, CO Register: Becky Roland at 303-551-3266 or broland@phoenix-amc.com

February 13–14, 2010 – Georgetown, DE

NAWT Inspector Recertification and Intro to Operation & Maintenance DELTECH, Georgetown, DE Register: Jerry Williams at (302) 855-5904

February 22–23, 2010 – Louisville, KY

Kentucky Exposition Center – Pumper & Cleaner Environmental Expo Register: NAWT Office at (800) 236-6298



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March 16-17, 2010 - Taunton, MA

Holiday Inn, 700 Myles Standish Blvd, Taunton, MA Register: NAWT office at (800) 236-

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Operations and Maintenance Training

February 13–14, 2010 – Georgetown, DE

NAWT Inspector Recertification and Introduction to Operation & Maintenance DELTECH, Georgetown, DE Register: Jerry Williams at (302) 855-5904

February 18–19, 2010 – Malibu, CA

Site to be determined City of Malibu, CA Register: COWA at 530-513-6658

February 22–23, 2010 – Louisville, KY

Kentucky Exposition Center – Pumper & Cleaner Environmental Expo Register: NAWT Office at (800) 236-6298

Installer Training Course Schedule

February 25, 2010 - Louisville, KY

Kentucky Exposition Center - Pumper & Cleaner Environmental Expo Register: NAWT Office at (800) 236-6298

Vacuum Truck Technician Training Course Schedule

February 23, 2010 – Louisville, KY

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March 15, 2010 – Taunton, MA

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