



HEARTLAND NEWS

THE HEARTLAND CHAPTER OF THE ACADEMY OF CERTIFIED HAZARDOUS MATERIALS MANAGERS

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November Meeting

Date:

Wednesday
November 28, 2007

Location:

Swagat Indian
Restaurant

Zona Rosa
7407 NW 87th St
(816) 746-9400

Cost: \$20/person

Speaker:

Richard Cartwright
"History of Hazardous
Materials Management"

Time: 5 pm
Board Meeting

6 pm
Dinner and Program

RSVP by Nov 26th to
Ben Gudde
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A Message from the President

Our Chapter has been very busy over the past few months. A lot of time and effort went into formulating a bid package for the 2008/2009 ACHMM Leadership Workshop. I must thank Laura and Venessa for helping me put this package together in a professional manner and submit it on time for consideration from the ACHMM National Professional Development Board. There were four chapters that submitted bids to host this workshop. Unfortunately for us the Wisconsin Chapter was awarded the bid for 2008. However, the good news is that the National PDB could not decide between the St. Louis Chapter, the Michigan Chapter and our Heartland Chapter on who will host the 2009 workshop. Accordingly, they have asked all three chapters to resubmit our bids with some additional guidelines that they will be providing by mid-December. So we are still in the running! I am asking all of you for suggestions on where we can host the Leadership Workshop that will provide the most value to conference attendees. Apparently the Westin was too expensive! More information about this event will be forthcoming.

I had the distinct pleasure to be able to accept the Champion of Excellence Awards on behalf of Laura Splichal and Phil Dula at the ACHMM National Conference held in Washington, DC in August. These two individuals were honored at the Awards Meeting that was attended by over 700 CHMMs from around the nation and the world. The Conference was first rate and there was a lot of great information on a variety of topics presented. Heartland Chapter members that attended the conference included Venessa Pottie, Jim Brunson, Mike Sieczkowski, Greg Lemke, Michelle Toelkes and myself. We had a great time together, and Venessa even taught us the finer things about good wine selecting and eating lobsters! We also made some great contacts and recruited some new members to our Heartland Chapter. I hope that all of you get an opportunity to attend one of these National conferences in the future. You will find it very worthwhile!

I want to also take time to congratulate Mike Sieczkowski for submitting his name for the ballot for the ACHMM National Board of Directors. I haven't heard what the results were but I hope that you all voted for Mike! It would be a tremendous plus for our chapter to have someone from our group serve at the national level. We have already reaped some excellent benefits by having Bill Conkling serve on the national awards committee.

Our annual golf outing on September 21st was an outstanding success. We raised \$2,840 for our college scholarship fund (See Phil's *The Results* article below). Fantastic work by Phil Dula in putting this event together, and thanks to all who participated and donated items for the event! By the way, my team came in last place so I think we should have received at least an award for that achievement! Applications for our Chapter scholarships will be coming out soon, so please don't miss the opportunity to compete for this free money if you or a family member are attending college!

Our September meeting at the KC Southern Railroad Headquarters was very well attended. I hope that each of you enjoyed the presentation and the lunch that was served as much as I did. Thanks go to Venessa for organizing this event. If you missed the presentation from Dennis Murphey, Chief Environmental Director for the City of KCMO, on the city's climate protection plan, his presentation has been posted to our chapter's website at <http://www.kumc.edu/hcachmm/>.

I hope to see all of you at our next Heartland Chapter meeting on November 27th. Be safe and keep charging!
Brian

2007 Golf Tournament Scholarship Fund Raiser The Results!

Submitted by: Phil Dula

Our 5th Annual Golf Tournament was the most successful yet. Many thanks are in order to our generous sponsors as without their support we would be unable to have a successful scholarship program. This year we were able to raise \$2,840! The CHMM Heartland Chapter is fortunate to have these firms' support.

Sponsor	Contribution
Hallmark	Gold - \$300
Ash Grove	Gold - \$300
Hulcher	Gold - \$300
Shaw E&I	Silver - \$200
Veolia Environmental Services	Silver - \$200
Philips Environmental Services	Bronze - \$100
CDM	Bronze - \$100
TekLab	Bronze - \$100
ATC	Bronze - \$100
Envirosolve	Bronze - \$100
Burns & McDonnell	Bronze - \$100
Tetra Tech, Inc	Bronze - \$100
MCE	Bronze - \$100
Test America	Bronze - \$100
Remediation Services Inc.	Beverage Cart - \$300

This year's event was held on September 21, 2007 at Falcon Valley. We had a picture perfect day as 51 golfers took to the fairway in pursuit of lots of fun and camaraderie. We had some top notch foursomes and some very skilled individual golfers. Winners of the individual contest holes were:

Longest Drive: Greg Sharp

Longest Putt: Tom Gilroy

Closest to Pin: John Williams

Our top foursomes and team scores were:

Team	Score	Prize
1st Place Tetra Tech: Chris Wallace, Robert Freeman, John Stafford, and Rick Hernandez	57	4, \$25 Best Buy Gift Certificates
2nd Place Pace Analytical Services: John Williams, John Gerken, Don Girard, and Jack Clay	58	4, \$20 Best Buy Gift Certificates
3rd Place (tie) Heritage Environmental Services: John Woolcott, Shane Munsch, Mike Smith, and Mike Downing	59	4, \$15 Best Buy Gift Certificates
3rd Place (tie) Tetra Tech EMI: Ted Faile, Lynn Parman, Jeff Pritchard, and Greg Sharp	59	4, \$15 Best Buy Gift Certificates

The tournament concluded with a traditional barbeque, awards ceremony, and company promotional item give a ways. Special thanks to Vince Lange of Lockton, Insurance and Risk Management Specialists who brought gift certificates from Kathy Farina, Event Coordinator for McCormick and Schmick's of Kansas City, MO. Thanks to Timberlyn Smith of MEC for serving as our event photographer, and her assistance at registration. Thanks to Ben Gudde of Hallmark and Laura Splichal of CDM for their assistance at registration. Laura promises to join a foursome in next year's event (Secretary's Note: yeah, right. Thanks Phil!).

See you all out there next year. If you are interested in assisting with next year's event or have some recommendations for future events please contact me at: pdula@hgl.com.

2007 Golf Tournament Winning Team Photos



1st Place Team: Rick Hernandez, Robert Freeman, John Stafford, & Chris Wallace



2nd Place Team: John Gerken, John Williams, Jack Clay, & Don Girard

IHMM Introduces a New Credential for Hazmat Workers

Experienced *non-degreed* hazardous materials workers can now earn recognition for their expertise by obtaining the Certified Hazardous Materials Practitioner credential (CHMP, pronounced CHaMP). Developed and administered by the Institute for Hazardous Materials Management (IHMM), the CHMP certification validates the knowledge gained through hands-on workplace experience. In contrast to the Certified Hazardous Materials Manager (CHMM®) exam, the CHMP exam focuses more on front-line work areas and less on management.

Please pass this information along to your colleagues who may benefit from this certification.

Candidates for CHMP certification must pass a written multiple-choice examination professionally developed by IHMM and administered via computer-based testing. To qualify, a candidate must document five years of relevant work experience or an associate's degree in the field from an accredited college or university and three years of relevant experience.

The areas most extensively covered in the exam will be hazardous materials identification, handling and shipping in compliance with U.S. federal laws and regulations. Other exam topics include site investigation and remediation; sampling and analysis; emergency planning and response; and program/project management.

More information is available at the IHMM Web site (www.ihmm.org) or by calling (301) 984-8969.



3rd Place Team (tie): Greg Sharp, Ted Faile, Lyn Parman, & Jeff Pritchard



3rd Place Team (tie): John Woolcott, Mike Downing, Mike Smith, & Shane Munsch



And . . . the illustrious Golf Tournament committee chair, Phil Dula, and his golfing partners, John Stzuro and Blane Wood

THANK YOU EVERYONE FOR PARTICIPATING IN THIS FUN AND WORTHWHILE EVENT!

Interesting Information on Vapor Intrusion Issues

- excerpted from EDR Insider, September 2007

Pollution Engineering: "Vapor Intrusion Issues"

Because ASTM E-1527 is ambiguous about the inclusion of vapor intrusion assessments in the scope of a Phase I ESA, the indoor air quality issue has been causing major difficulties for property owners, lenders and environmental professionals alike, but a new standard written by ASTM may solve this industry wide problem. Read the entire article at:

http://www.pollutionengineering.com/CDA/Articles/Feature Article/BNP_GUID_9-5-2006_A_10000000000000133328

Scotsman's Guide: "Vapor Intrusion: Assessing the Situation"

Today, vapor intrusion complicates real estate deals and puts property owners and lenders at risk. This article details how states have responded to the vapor intrusion crisis and describes how a new standard being written by ASTM will impact property transactions in the future. Read this article at: <http://www.scotsmanguide.com/default.asp?ID=2280>

And one more interesting tidbit on the new environmental buzzword SUSTAINABILITY!

Building's "Green Rating" Gets Attention of Investors

With emphasis on sustainable real estate principles escalating in the corporate and commercial real estate sectors, environmental professionals may not be far away from a market that demands information about a property's energy efficiency rating in the course of due diligence. Back in the mid 1990s, Phase I ESAs were conducted to provide rating agencies with a means to assign CMBS pools with higher value and lower risk to investors. There is already speculation that green mortgage-backed securities may provide the same benefits over the next five years by carrying a higher rating based on higher financial performance and marketability than conventional buildings.

Poodwaddle Clocks

What's a poodwaddle clock, you may be asking? Check out their website to find out: www.poodwaddle.com/clocks.htm. They have "clocks" for all kinds of things including times at cities around the world, as well as population statistics, crime rates, and all kinds of stuff.

Thank you Timberlyn for submitting this info for the newsletter!

New Member Corner

Welcome **Dan Thompson** and **Randy Seamans** from Teklab! Dan and Randy are new associate members. Be sure to greet them at the next meeting or event!

And now from our Regulatory Specialist Ben Gudde

October 11, 2007

OSHA has announced it will conduct no-notice "Swept Up in Safety Weeks" during its fiscal year 2008 campaign to curb construction-related fatalities in the southeast part of the nation.

OSHA's fiscal year 2007 "Swept Up in Safety Weeks" campaign helped reduce fatalities at construction sites overseen by federal OSHA offices by 10.4 percent compared to fiscal year 2006, according to the agency. During the four designated safety weeks in fiscal year 2007, OSHA conducted 2,086 compliance inspections, while conducting 1,294 on-site interventions where no inspection was performed.

Did You Know

Used oil from one oil change can contaminate 1 million gallons of fresh water - a year's supply for 50 people!

More Emission Reduction Legislation

Whether you think climate change is real or perceived, a natural phenomenon or the result of man-made industrial activities, you will soon be faced with requirements to adjust your facility operations and reduce greenhouse gas emissions with more regulations on the way.

There are five comprehensive climate change bills pending in the U.S. Senate that are representative samples of the types of initiatives likely to be considered by the full Congress:

- Climate Stewardship and Innovation Act of 2007 (S.280) – Lieberman (I-CT)/McCain (R-AZ)
- Global Warming Pollution Reduction Act (S.309) – Sanders (I-VT)/Boxer (D-CA)
- Electric Utility Cap and Trade Act of 2007 (S.317) – Feinstein (D-CA)/Carper (D-DE)
- Global Warming Reduction Act of 2007 (S.485) – Kerry (D-MA)/Snowe (R-ME)
- Discussion Draft of Global Warming Legislation – Bingaman (D-NM)/Specter (R-PA)

There are substantially similar companion bills pending in the House of Representatives, such as the "Climate Stewardship Act of 2007" (H.R. 620), Olver (D-MA)/Gilchrest (R-MD), as well as many other bills addressing subsets of issues related to climate change (e.g., bills proposing to conduct a 50-state survey of possible sequestration sites, to limit new construction of conventional pulverized coal plants, and to conduct periodic assessments of U.S. vulnerability to global climate change). If the House and Senate agree individually to climate change legislation, a conference committee comprising members from both bodies of Congress will negotiate to reconcile any differences between the relevant bills prior to a vote and passage by Congress.

CHANGE A LIGHT, CHANGE THE WORLD
Missouri Citizens Can Save Money, Energy and the Environment
With the Twist of Energy Efficient Light Bulbs

JEFFERSON CITY, MO, OCT. 2, 2007 -- The Department of Natural Resources' Energy Center, eight Missouri utilities and 58 retailers have joined the 2007 "Change A Light, Change The World" campaign to help Missouri customers save money and energy with a twist of an ENERGY STAR qualified compact fluorescent light bulb (CFL). It's a quick and easy solution to lowering utility bills in addition to saving energy and protecting the environment.

Coordinated by the Midwest Energy Efficiency Alliance (MEEA), the Missouri program is being held in conjunction with the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and U.S. Department of Energy's (DOE) national "ENERGY STAR Change a Light, Change the World" campaign.

From October 1 through December 31, 2007, sponsors are encouraging Missouri residents to "Change the World" one light, one step at a time by replacing their home's five most frequently used light fixtures, or the bulbs in them, with ENERGY STAR qualified CFLs. In the average home, the most frequently used fixtures are: kitchen ceiling dome light, living room table lamp, living room floor lamp, bathroom vanity light and outdoor porch or post lamp. By making this change, a household can save at least \$60 a year in energy costs in addition to protecting the environment.

The Energy Center and other sponsors are helping Missouri residents make the simple switch to energy-efficient lighting by offering \$2 instant rebates on ENERGY STAR qualified CFL purchases while supplies last. With the instant rebates, the CFLs will sell for as little as \$0.99 at select retail locations.

Missouri utilities helping sponsor the CFL sales in their areas are Ameren UE, Aquila, Inc., City Utilities of Springfield (CU), Columbia Water & Light, Crawford Electric Cooperative, Empire District Electric Company, Independence Power & Light, Kansas City Power & Light. More information and a list of Missouri retail locations offering the in-store rebate is available on the Energy Center's Web site at www.dnr.mo.gov/energy/changealight.htm. More information on the program is also available by visiting the Web site of the Midwest Energy Efficiency Alliance at www.mwalliance.org/cal2007.

New EPA-Approved Refrigerant Substitutes

In the October 4, 2007 Federal Register EPA has approved substitutes for commonly used HCFC refrigerants, including HCFC-22, R-403B, R-5-2, and others. These new refrigerants have near-zero ozone depletion potential. Also, unlike HCFC's currently in use, these new substitutes present very little global warming potential. You may recall that the U.S. recently joined other signatories of the Montreal Protocol to accelerate the phaseout of HCFC's in the global economy. Global HCFC production will freeze in 2013 and complete phaseout is now scheduled for completion by 2020. If you are interested in reviewing the Federal Register article in greater detail (which also describes the composition of these new substitutes), go to:

<http://a257.g.akamaitech.net/7/257/2422/01jan20071800/edocket.access.gpo.gov/2007/E7-19545.htm>.

Upcoming Events

November 2, 2007 - Diesel Technologies Workshop and Equipment Expo, Wichita KS.

Kansas Small Business Environmental Assistance Program. Learn how your fleets can save money while improving Kansas air quality. Register at www.sbeap.org/workshops.php?workshop=4.

November 15, 2007 - SPCC Workshop.

Visit EPA's website at www.epa.gov/Region7/news_events/events/free_wkshp_abv_grnd_tnk.html for registration and further details. EPA has proposed amendments to the SPCC rule dated 10/16/07 that can be viewed at <http://www.epa.gov/oilspill/spcc.htm>.

November 16, 2007 - Dedication of the Lafarge Sugar Creek Cement Plant's New Alternate Solid Fuels Program. 2 - 4:30 pm.

Registration and additional information available at www.bridgingthegap.org/resources/resourcesEvent.htm#eebn.

November 23, 2007 - KC WildLands Fall Ecological Restoration Workday

Various locations in KCMO, Excelsior Springs, and North Kansas City. Visit bridgingthegap.org for more information.

December 6, 2007 - Hospitals for Healthy Environment Workshop and Trade Show, KC

Plan to attend this compliance and pollution prevention workshop and trade show. Topics will include pharmaceutical waste handling, environmental compliance, energy conservation, mercury and toxics elimination, green building, and reducing red bag and solid wastes. More information at www.iowap2services.com.

December 13, 2007 - Pharmacy Waste Web Cast, 9 am.

Long-term care and other healthcare facilities will want to listen in on this Web cast that will review concerns and regulations related to safe disposal of pharmacy wastes. Please read more about this Kansas program at <http://www.sbeap.org/publications/Pharmaceutical/index.php>. To register for the webcast, contact Joyce at jmcdiff@ksu.edu or call 800-578-8898.

January 15, 2008 - Call for Papers, Posters and Workshop Presentations

Abstracts are due by this date for the EPA Regional Wetlands & Watershed Conference (see below).

January 16, 2008 - Call for Papers for the 2008 ACHMM National Conference

Abstracts are due by this date for the 2008 National Conference in Minneapolis, MN
See www.continuinged.ku.edu/achmm/mn08/index.php for information on the 7 tracks, or categories, for papers.
Abstracts may also be submitted electronically via this website.

March 5-6, 2008 - Kansas Air Quality Seminar, Topeka, KS

SBEAP and KDHE will host a compliance, air permitting, and emissions reduction workshop that all Kansas businesses should plan to attend. More information will be coming soon at www.sbeap.org for registration information.

April 7-11, 2008 - EPA Regional Wetlands & Watershed Conference, KCI Expo Center, KCMO

Contact Mandy Whitsitt at whitsitt.mandy@epa.gov or Jeannette Kerr at kerr.jeannette@epa.gov for more information.

September 7-10, 2008 - ACHMM National Conference, Minneapolis, MN

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JULY MEETING Shawnee Mission Park



President Brian Dalby with July speaker Jennifer Logan from the Johnson County Environmental Department.

SEPTEMBER MEETING Kansas City Southern



President-Elect Vanessa Pottie thanks Dennis Murphey, our speaker at the September meeting hosted by KC Southern in KCMO. Mr. Murphey spoke on the City's climate protection plan and the initiatives the city is undertaking to reduce air emissions.

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