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Message from the President



Greetings! This installment of our Preventative Measure Newsletter brings you the latest NCAEHA news and serves to announce our 2015 NCAEHA Spring Educational Conference to be held in Washington, DC on April 30th! This conference will be a little different from our usual lineup of 6-7 presentation topics as the entire morning will

be a session on food defense with partners from the FBI, FDA, CDC and local Health Departments. I'm excited for the opportunity to hear from these subject matter experts on a very important topic and one that is especially relevant given our geographic location. For the afternoon session we'll swing back to having presentations on various food safety topics. You may find the agenda for our 2015 Spring Educational Conference on pages 9-10 for more information on our speakers and presentations. I hope that you're available to join us for our conference!

You may also recognize some new faces on our website (www.ncaeha.com). NCAEHA strives to highlight local Environmental Health Specialists (EHS) and professionals in related EH industries in the Spotlight section of the webpage, and to rotate this acknowledgment several times a year. We've recently highlighted Lois Maisel, an Environmental Health Specialist from the Fairfax County Health Department, and James M. Wordsworth, Business Owner and Restaurateur. Stop by the website to check out the hard work and accomplishments of our fellow environmental health professionals! Do you know of a NCAEHA member or local EHS or industry professional that you'd like to high-

light for a recent accomplishment, a job-well-done, or as an introduction? You may submit a candidate for the Spotlight by sending a picture and a short bio or summary to the Director of Communications at pquinonez@ncaeha.com.

Another area of focus for NCAEHA in 2015 is the professional advancement of our members. NCAEHA in collaboration with the City of Alexandria Health Department is hosting a **Certified Pool Operator Course** on May 5th and 6th at the Chinquopin Recreation Center located on King Street in Alexandria, VA. Registration is open until April 27. To register or request more information, contact Michele Howard at 703-746-4868, or by e-mail at Michele.Howard@vdh.virginia.gov. NCAEHA is also exploring opportunities to expand the benefits of membership. If you have any thoughts on how you think membership benefits could be improved, please contact Denise Lucas, our Vice President of Membership, at dlucas@ncaeha.com. We will continue to develop opportunities for our members throughout the year.

I'm looking forward to seeing many of you on April 30th for another informative conference. As always, please let myself or any member of the Board know of any thoughts or suggestions you may have on how we may better serve you.

Best Regards,

Shannon McKeon

NCAEHA President



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provides

opportunities

for Environmental
Health Specialists

and other

Environmental
Health

Practitioners to
advance their
professional
growth through
**educational
programs.**

The Association
encourages
cooperation
between

**private
and**

public sectors

in activities
directed toward
the improvement

of **public**

health and the
environment.

Active Managerial Control

The Conversation Continues

by Ron Campbell,
Senior Environmental Health Specialist

In January, I was privileged to speak at the NCAEHA Winter Conference on the topic of active managerial control (AMC). The presentation revolved around how Fairfax County Health Department was raising the awareness of operators to the AMC concept through a recognition program. There were many questions about the recognition program and how we were implementing it. There was one particular question that I heard, not at the group level, that I thought was important to address. NCAEHA has been gracious to allow me to continue the AMC conversation in their current newsletter.

The issue that was raised was that certain types of restaurants – ethnic “mom

and pop” places, for exam-

ple – would not be conducive to the recognition program. I don’t disagree. If that food service establishment has existing food safety issues, it probably would not be eligible for recogni-

tion. However, the bigger picture is this – we (food safety inspectors) have been suggesting various uses of active managerial control to gain compliance, without calling it active managerial control, for quite a long time. As much as we will raise awareness of the concept of AMC for food service operators in Fairfax County, we are also raising the awareness within our own staff of how to offer AMC as

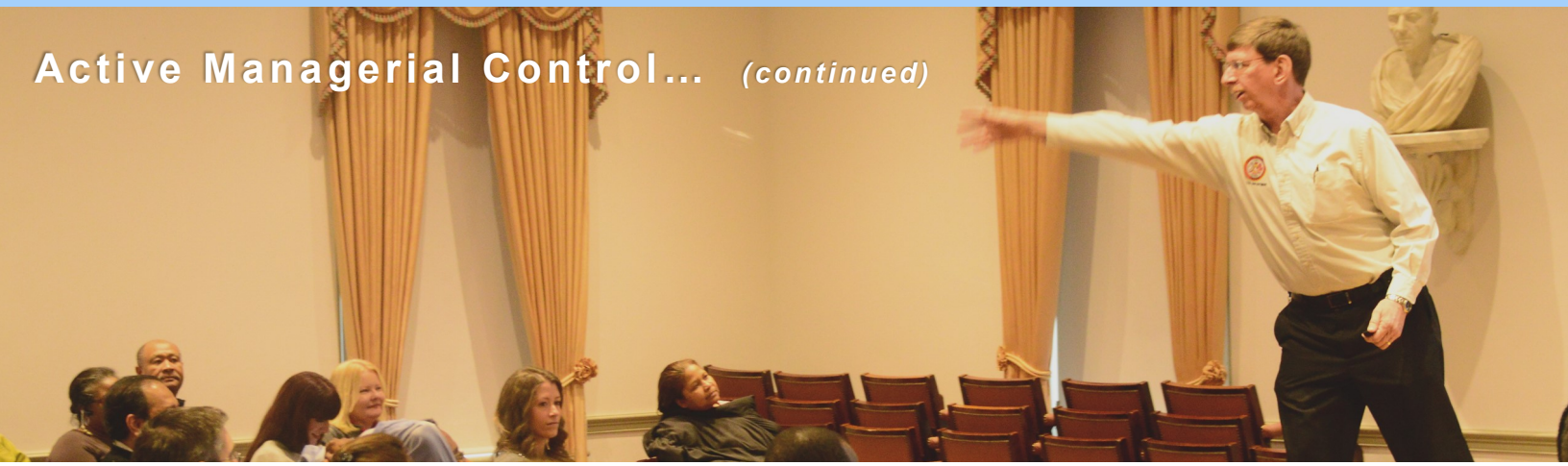
a compliance tool...and call

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it active managerial control! When we ask someone to use a temperature log for their food along the prep top, why not frame that in the con-

text of active managerial control? Even the “mom and pop” can benefit from using a temperature log if the situation warrants it. One very interesting comment that I heard at the Winter Conference was from a gentleman who was very familiar with active managerial control. He said that his company explains it as a means of “sharing responsibility.” In its purest form, perhaps that is what active

Active Managerial Control... (continued)



managerial control really is. The owner/manager is training staff to be responsible for certain food safety policies and has a verification and corrective action process in place which may allow him to rely on staff to be completely responsible for a particular risk factor intervention. Again, I would suggest that even a “mom and pop” could benefit from some “shared responsibil-

ity.” That is just a good business practice. Can we frame it that way?

So, while much was made of the recognition program in Fairfax County, a side benefit to the food safety program is that we have brought to the fore another tool for staff to use to gain compliance. While there may not be many food service facilities being recognized initially, it is only logi-

cal that staff would take any opportunity to offer AMC as a means of addressing a compliance issue. The recognition award can be used as a carrot for the food service operator, but the bigger reward is that through AMC an out-of-compliance issue has been addressed and the EHS may not have to address the issue again in the

future. Active managerial control is a useful tool and will work whether it is tied to a recognition program or not. I hope you will continue the AMC conversation in your own jurisdiction.



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Scholarship and Awards

James M. Wordsworth Scholarship

The NCAEHA James M. Wordsworth Scholarship program was established to encourage early commitment by students to a career in environmental health and to stimulate professional growth in current environmental health professionals in pursuing graduate or postgraduate studies in environmental health sciences and/or public health. Applications with original documentation must be received by **May 1, 2015**. See page 8 for the application.

Jerrold M. Michael Award

Do you know of a professional who has contributed greatly to the environmental health profession? If so, nominate the individual for the 2015 Jerrold M. Michael Environmental Health Professional of the Year Award by **May 1, 2015**. The application is available on page 7.

Certificate of Merit Nomination

Each affiliate is invited to designate one of its members to receive a Certificate of Merit from NEHA, thereby nationally recognizing one of their own for outstanding contributions to the profession of environmental health. Nominate an environmental health professional by submitting a summary of their achievements to smckeon@ncaeha.com by June 1, 2015.

Recipients are announced during the AEC awards program and in the *Journal of Environmental Health*.

Renew your Membership

Complete the following application to renew your membership for 2015. Mail the completed application with the appropriate membership fee (payable by check or money order to NCAEHA) to:

Bruce Flippens, Treasurer
National Capital Area Environmental Health Association
2020 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW #361
Washington, DC 20006

Or renew online using paypal at www.ncaeha.com

Name: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Contact Telephone: _____ Email: _____

Employer: _____

Membership & Credentials – Check all that apply

NEHA Member? Yes ___ No ___

REHS/RS ___ CFSP ___ CEHT ___ RET ___ RHSP ___ RHSS ___ OTHER: _____

Employer – Check one

Academia ___ Industry ___ Private Consultant ___ Retired ___ Student ___

State Government ___ Local Government ___ Federal Government ___

Classes of Membership – Select one

___ Regular (\$15)

Any person who is actively employed in the field of Environmental Health as an environmental health specialist, sanitarian, or industrial hygienist or who is interested in the field of Environmental Health.

___ Honorary Lifetime (\$0)

Past NCAEHA Presidents, Jerrold M. Michael Award recipients, or any person for unusually distinguished achievement or service in the Environmental Health field as conferred by the Board of Directors. Members in this class shall not be required to pay dues.

___ Supporting* (\$150)

Any company, corporation or association with a general interest in and desire to contribute to the objectives of the Association. Members in this class shall not have voting rights.

___ Student (\$5)

Any student working towards a degree in Environmental Health or a related field.

___ Silver (\$5)

A retiree from active employment in the field of Environmental Health

NEHA INDIVIDUAL MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Yes! I'm joining NEHA today. My dues payment is enclosed.

Please send me more information on (please check all that apply):

- ☐ NEHA The following NEHA credential applications and information:
☐ NEHA E-News ☐ REHS/RS (Registered Environmental Health Specialist/Registered Sanitarian)
☐ NEHA's upcoming AEC & Exhibition ☐ CP-FS (Certified Professional - Food Safety)
☐ NEHA Publications ☐ CEHT (Certified Environmental Health Technician)
☐ NEHA Workshops ☐ RET (Registered Environmental Technician)
☐ Becoming a SUSTAINING MEMBER ☐ RHSP (Registered Hazardous Substances Professional)
☐ Becoming an EDUCATIONAL MEMBER ☐ RHSS (Registered Hazardous Substances Specialist)
☐ Food Safety Training Materials (NEHA Food Safety Training) ☐ NEHA National Radon Proficiency Program

1. CONTACT INFORMATION:

Name: _____ Title: _____
Organization/Company: _____
Address: _____
City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____
Daytime Phone: () _____ Fax: () _____
Area of Expertise: _____ E-Mail: _____
Referred by (if applicable) _____ Membership ID # _____

2. MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION:

Enclosed is \$ _____ for one year's dues as an INDIVIDUAL MEMBER of the National Environmental Health Association.

[Dues: Individual, \$95 per year (U.S. & Canada) and International, \$125 per year. All memberships begin when payment is received and are renewable each year.]

3. METHOD OF PAYMENT:

☐ Check enclosed

☐ Mastercard or Visa

Card # _____

Exp. Date _____

Signature _____

4. FAX OR MAIL TO:

National Environmental Health Association

720 S. Colorado Blvd., Ste. 1000-N

Denver, CO 80246-1925

Phone: 303-756-9090 Fax: 303-691-9490 E-Mail: staff@neha.org Internet: www.neha.org



National Capital Area Environmental Health Association

NOMINATION FORM: JERROLD M. MICHAEL AWARD (ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH PROFESSIONAL OF THE YEAR)

NOMINATED BY:

Name: _____

Job Title: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

E-Mail: _____

NOMINEE:

Name: _____

Job Title: _____

Employer: _____

Please attach a brief (one page or less) explanation of the reasons you believe that the above named individual should be selected as this year's Jerrold M. Michael Award recipient. Specifically describe how this person has contributed to his or her employer's environmental health mission, to the goals of the National Capital Area Environmental Health Association, and to the advancement of the environmental health profession.

THE NOMINATION COMMITTEE MAY CONTACT YOU FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION.

Nominations may be sent either by postal service or email to the NCAEHA President and must be received by May 1, 2015.

Send complete nominations to:

Shannon McKeon
Fairfax County Health Department
10777 Main Street, suite 111
Fairfax, VA 22030
smckeon@ncaeha.com



National Capital Area Environmental Health Association

James M. Wordsworth Scholarship Application

Name (Last, First, Middle Initial): _____

Permanent Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Telephone Number: _____

E-mail Address: _____

Are you an active member of the National Environmental Health Association (NEHA)? YES/NO

Are you an active member of the National Capital Area Environmental Health Association (NCAEHA)? YES/NO

Education (list most current first)

| School | Major | Dates | Degree |
|--------|-------|-------|--------|
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Year and date of expected graduation from current program: _____ GPA: _____

Employment history (list present employer first):

| Employer | Job Title | Years Employed |
|----------|-----------|----------------|
| 1. | | |
| 2. | | |
| 3. | | |

Write a short summary of your professional achievements, including any major contributions you have made that resulted in the increased protection of human health and the environment. (Not to exceed one type written page, attach additional page if necessary)

List civic groups and other community activities of which you are a member. Also, note any special honors received. (Attach additional page if necessary)

Send completed application by May 1, 2015 to: Fairfax County Health Department, Attn: Shannon McKeon, 10777 Main Street, suite 111 Fairfax, VA 22030, Fax: 703.653.9448,
Email: smckeon@ncaeha.com

**NCAEHA 2015 SPRING
EDUCATIONAL CONFERENCE AGENDA
THURSDAY, April 30, 2015**

*DC Department of Health
899 North Capitol Street, NE
Washington, DC 20002
Room 406/407*

MORNING SESSIONS

Food Defense Workshop

- 8:00AM – 9:00AM** **General Registration and Continental Breakfast**
- 9:00AM – 9:20AM** **Welcome and Opening Remarks**
*Denise T. Lucas, NCAEHA Vice President of Membership
Shannon McKeon, NCAEHA President*
- 9:20AM – 10:05AM** **FBI Commercial Facilities Food Defense Initiative**
*SA Aidan Garcia
WMD Coordinator
FBI, Washington Field Office*
- 10:05AM – 10:20AM** **Morning Break**
- 10:20AM – 11:05AM** **FDA Food Defense Initiatives in 2015 and Beyond**

*Robert J. Durkin, Esq., M.S., R.Ph.
Director, Food Defense and Emergency Coordination Staff (acting)
Office of Analytics and Outreach
Center for Food Safety and Applied Nutrition
Food and Drug Administration*
- 11:05AM – 12:00PM** **Food Defense Case Study and Expert Panel Discussion**
*SA Aidan Garcia
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*Ivory Gene Cooper, CP-FS
Sanitarian
Health Regulation License Administration*

DC Department of Health

*Sasha McGee, PhD, MPH
CDC Epidemic Intelligence Service (EIS) Officer
DC Department of Health*
- 11:50PM – 12:50PM** **LUNCH (On Your Own)**

AFTERNOON SESSIONS

- 12:50—1:10PM** **NEHA Updates**
Shannon McKeon, President
National Capitol Area Environmental Health Association
- 1:10PM – 1:55PM** **HACCP Plan Review and Approval processes**
Jeffery Lewis, RS
HACCP Specialist
Prince George's County Health Departemnt
- 1:55PM – 2:10PM** **Afternoon Break**
- 2:10PM – 2:40PM** **Recognizing Specialized Processes in the Field**
Laura Wildey, CP-FS, CPO
Sanitarian
Health Regulation License Administration
DC Department of Health
- 2:40PM – 3:25PM** **Egg Safety and Salmonella entertidis**
George Zameska, RS, MS, CP-FS
Vice President of Regulatory Affairs
Paster Training, Inc.
- 3:25PM – 3:45PM** **Special Announcements and Closing Remarks**
Denise T. Lucas, NCAEHA Vice President of Membership

Conference Fee: NCAEHA members - \$15.00 and non-members \$30.00
(Payment accepted onsite – Cash, Check, Credit Card)

(5 contact hours available for full day attendance.)



Upcoming Event

- **April 30, 2015**
NCAEHA Spring Educational Conference
Washington District of Columbia
- **July 13-15, 2015**
NEHA Annual Educational Conference & Exhibition
Orlando, Florida

**Mark your
calendars!**

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