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Kevin Sullivan — Editor

Message from the Chair

Dave Copeland

AWMA-NFS - It's a Great Organization - Get Involved

It's hard to believe that the program year is drawing to a close already and my time being Chair is almost done.

In many organizations I have been involved with in the past, the Chair and maybe one or two others do 95% of the work. This may work out for a while but eventually volunteers get burned out and things fall apart.

That's not the case with AWMA-NFS and what makes us so special is all the active members that help out to make things happen. Some are on the Board and spend countless hours in the background doing many of the mundane tasks that keeps the organization running.

Many others are folks not even on the Board who spend just as much time helping out wherever they can and are very significant contributors to the organization. They are all very reliable and consistent volunteers and by spreading the workload out by having so many helping hands it has allowed our organization to do many great things, consistently over time, especially when you consider how small the environmental profession is in WNY.

Good examples of activities so many of our members work on are;

- ◇ Great dinner meetings at great venues with great speakers that are ideal for networking and learning opportunities

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Envirun

Mike Emery/Dharma Iyer

The 26th Annual Envirun 5 kilometer (K) run will be on Saturday, April 23, 2016. We'll be at the Whirlpool State Park, which is just north of Niagara Falls along the Niagara River gorge. This is put on by our A&WMA Section to raise funds for local worthwhile environmental causes. To make the event a success we depend on volunteers from the Section and sponsors. If you can volunteer or would like to sponsor the race please contact Dharma Iyer at 716-662-4157 or Mike Emery at awmanfssecretary@gmail.com. This is a fun event on a Saturday morning to attend with family – so please mark it on your calendar and plan to attend. Click [here](#) for registration details. (cont'd on p. 4)



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NIAGARA FRONTIER SECTION

WNY's most scenic 5K Run for the Environment

Saturday, April 23, 2016 ♦ 10:30 AM

Whirlpool State Park, Niagara Falls, NY

(construction still ongoing on Goat Island)

To Register Online: Visit www.imathlete.com or www.awmanfs.org

To Mail Registration:
Print Form Here www.awmanfs.org

Contact Dharma Iyer (716)445-9684 or iegpllc@aol.com

Regulatory Changes

James Strickland

Title 6 NYCRR Part 360 - Comprehensive Revisions, Enhancements and Structure Changes

This proposed rulemaking is a comprehensive revision to existing regulations. The last comprehensive revisions to the regulations governing solid waste management in New York State occurred in 1993. In support of these regulatory changes a Draft Generic Environmental Impact Statement (DGEIS) [PDF] (292 KB) has been prepared. The revisions include technical amendments and clarifications, as well as updated criteria needed due to legal and policy developments.

The existing regulations for solid waste management facilities are currently found in [Part 360](#). A component of this proposed rulemaking is to subdivide the solid waste management facility regulations into groups that are similar in nature, such as facilities that recycle and recover materials. Therefore, the current [Part 360](#) criteria will be found in Parts 360, 361, 362, 363, 365, and 366. In addition to the solid waste management facilities and activities currently regulated under Part 360, this proposed rulemaking includes revisions to regulations governing waste transportation (Part 364) and state assistance grants to municipalities related to solid waste management (Part 369). This rulemaking will also incorporate minor amendments to Parts 621 and Parts 370-374.

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Membership

Timothy Bathory

Currently we have over 100 members of Air & Waste Management's Niagara Frontier Section with roughly a 50/50 split between international and local affiliates. To check membership status please visit the [AWMA-NFS Website](#).

Corporate memberships are valid for one year from the date of renewal while local memberships expire on August 31st annually. New members and renewal applications can be found on our website. Payment can be made either through the website or mail. Membership categories and dues are as follows:

Local Affiliate Member	\$36
Local Affiliate Member [Full-Time College Student]	\$11
International Member	\$195
International Member [Young Professional - 35 or younger]	\$98
International Member [Full-Time College Student]	\$35
Corporate Sponsor*	\$325
Web Sponsor*	\$500

* Corporate Sponsor includes an International Membership for one person and a local affiliate membership for a second person.

If you have any questions about becoming a member or renewing your membership please contact Tim Bathory at awmanfsmembership@gmail.com or 534-6885.

A list of current membership can be found on the [AWMS-NFS website](#).

Earth Day Grants

Dave Copeland

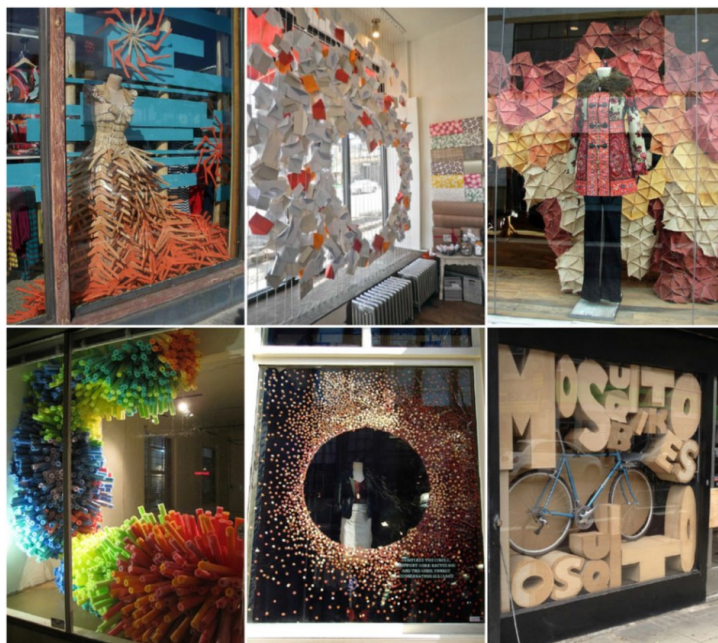
We had 4 winning Earth Day Grants this year for \$500 each! A summary of the 4 projects are:

The Green Window City Project - GWC is a collaborative effort to build art installations in shop windows with upcycled elements diverted from the waste stream, creating a popup gallery walk atmosphere. It provides a novel approach to educating our community on sustainability and environmental awareness in Buffalo.

This year, they continue toward the goal of conscious, creative waste diversion by moving the project to Allentown, greatly expanding involvement and impact.

The project will demonstrate reclaimed materials' form and function, while increasing awareness of reuse opportunities, local businesses, and artists. It is a synergistic opportunity to reconsider waste, from both a personal and entrepreneurial angle.

GWC is a two week show, anchored around Earth Day until First Friday May. Its preferred location is a neighborhood shopping district, piloted in Buffalo by Elmwood Village and this year moving to Allentown.



Reuse window examples. (upper-left) hangers at Anthropologie, (upper-center) envelopes by Sarah Montgomery, (upper-right) fabric remnants at Anthropologie, (lower-left) pool noodles by Olga Lah, (lower-center) corks at Anthropologie, (lower-right) inventory boxes at Mosquito Bikes

2016 Erie County Envirothon - The Envirothon is being held on March 31st, 2016 and April 28th, 2016 at Village Green Park in Elma, New York. The program is done in two parts, Workshop Day and Competition Day. On Workshop Day students learn about environmental topics firsthand from local professionals from NYSDEC, Natural Resources Conservation Service, NYSFWS, Earth Spirit Educational Services, and University at Buffalo's UB Green Department. On Competition Day high school teams gather once again to compete to achieve the highest scores in the categories of forestry, soils, aquatics, wildlife and a current environmental issue, *2016 Topic: Invasive Species*. This provides a very unique, positive program that expands students' classrooms and enriches our community by advancing youth education and environmental stewardship.

Alkaline Battery Recycling and Education - In this project by the Coalition of Positively Charged People, students in grades 5-12 in Casey Middle School and Williamsville North High School will be taught about alkaline battery recycling in New York, and encouraged to participate in the battery recycling project through collecting spent batteries for recycling.

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Education, Scholarships, and Grants

Eric Warren

School Scholarships

A&WMA-NFS will be awarding one or more scholarships to High School Seniors and College students in amounts ranging from \$500 - \$1,000. Applications are due by **April 13, 2016**.

For further information on these Scholarships and grants, please visit the **Education section of our website by clicking here**.

Envirun (cont'd)**Mike Emery/Dharma Iyer**

Envirun 5K - April 23, 2016

ENVIRUN'16 ♦ Saturday, April 23, 2016 ♦ 10:30 AM
Whirlpool State Park, Niagara Falls, NY



Course is
 Certified
 and
 Event is
 Sanctioned
 by USATF



Registration is now open and includes a technical t-shirt and post race party with awards, food and live music. The run will be along the closed portion of the Robert Moses Parkway starting at the Whirlpool State Park. Race details are available at our [website](#). There are two ways to register: download a paper application from our [website](#), or online through:

imATHLETE.com.

Message from the Chair (cont'd)**Dave Copeland**

- ♦ A great annual seminar
- ♦ Envirun Road race and its corresponding donations
- ♦ Sending kids to DEC Environmental Camp every year
- ♦ Earth Day Grant program
- ♦ High School and College Scholarships
- ♦ Future Cities — UB Student Chapter

With all the these events and activities it takes active members to keep them going and we do want to do more such as:

- ⇒ Getting other student chapters going again (e.g. Buffalo State, ECC etc..)
- ⇒ Getting more YP events

Additionally we are always looking for new ideas, especially those that come from a suggestor that will help make it happen. To all those very active members that help make AWMA-NFS the great organization it is, I send a BIG Thank You for all your time and efforts. For those not so active members I encourage you to become more involved and help AWMA-NFS become even better.

Save the Date – Our next dinner meeting will be on April 21st at the Ramada Hotel and Conference Center on North Forest in Amherst. Students from the UB AWMA Chapter will present some of their Senior Design Projects. Registration will open soon!

Earthday Grants(cont'd)**Dave Copeland**

ShopCraft Earth Week Activities - Buffalo ShopCraft is the collaborative efforts of three artisans with a commitment to making sustainable, eco-conscious handmade goods. Currently operating as a pop up within Thin Ice, ShopCraft aims to provide the local community with a unique shopping experience in which consumers can make environmentally responsible shopping choices. Our vision is to provide the community with local, handmade, environmentally conscious items, educate the community on the impacts of as well as be a resource for the artisan community on ways in which they can also become more environmentally conscious.

ShopCraft would like to expand its reach to local artisans in order to provide a free workshop focusing on sustainability, ethical sourcing, and how to make your craft more eco-conscious. This workshop will encourage artisans to create in more responsible ways, while also giving the local community more opportunities to find greener alternatives to products right here in Buffalo. By providing this event for free, they hope to encourage and inspire more artisans to become educated about greener practices.

The event will take place at Thin Ice Gift Shop on Elmwood Avenue, tentatively scheduled for April 21, 2016. A guest speaker will present on best practices of creating environmentally conscious items. The event will be free of charge, allowing artists and community members alike come learn about how to make more environmentally conscious products, as well as what to look for when shopping for goods to ensure one is shopping responsibly.

Shopping locally has a positive environmental impact. As the Buffalo region continues to grow in a more cultural and creative city, it behooves artisans to practice responsible methods in creating their work. This workshop will educate the community on environmentally conscious creativity, as well as provide an opportunity for people to learn from one another where to source recycled, reused, and restored materials locally. The impact of the workshop will have a ripple effect in the handmade community, which will flow outwards into the greater Buffalo community.

A&WMA-NFS Board of Director's Elections**Mark Hans****Program Year 2016 - 2017 A&WMA-NFS Board of Director's Elections**

The Nominating Committee has proposed a slate of candidates to fill the expected vacancies on the Board of Directors for the 2016 – 2017 Program Year. The proposed slate includes:

Chair:	Mark Hans- NYSDEC retired
Vice-Chair:	Eric Warren- Nature's Way Environmental
Treasurer:	Dominic Buccilli - NYSDEC retired
Secretary:	Michael Emery - NYSDEC
Directors (3 vacancies):	Dharma Iyer – Iyer Environmental Group, LLC
	Tim Bathory - NRG
	Kathleen Moguel – Durez Niagara

All current [A&WMA-NFS](#) member (International or local) may cast a ballot. The voting will be conducting on the [A&WMA-NFS](#) website and all current members will receive an e-mail when the website is ready to accept votes. The ballot will also allow you to vote for a write-in candidate.

Regulatory Changes (cont'd)**James Strickland****Public Hearings**

Public hearings regarding the proposed regulations and DGEIS will be held during the public comment period at the following times and locations:

- June 2, 2016, 1:00 PM: Suffolk County Water Authority Education Center, 260 Motor Parkway, Hauppauge, NY 11788
- June 6, 2016, 1:00 PM: NYSDEC, 625 Broadway, Albany, NY 12233
- June 7, 2016, 1:00 PM: RIT Inn and Conference Center, Henrietta Ballroom, 5257 West Henrietta Rd., Rochester, NY 14467

Public Workshops

Public workshops will also be held throughout the State within each of the nine DEC Regions. The three hour workshops will include a brief presentation by Department staff regarding the major changes included in the proposed rule, with the remaining time allocated to answering questions by workshop participants. A partial list of workshops is below:

- Depew, NY — April 18, 2016 - 2 sessions offered: 1:00-4:00 PM and 6:00-9:00 PM
Reinstein Woods Environmental Education Center, 93 Honorine Drive, Depew, NY 14043
- Watertown, NY — April 21, 2016 - One session offered: 6:00-9:00 PM
NYS DEC Region 6 Office - Watertown, 317 Washington St., Watertown, NY 13601
- Rochester, NY — April 25, 2016 - 2 sessions offered: 1:00-4:00 PM and 6:00-9:00 PM
RIT Inn and Conference Center, Seneca Ballroom, 5257 West Henrietta Rd., Rochester, NY 14467
- Syracuse, NY — May 4, 2016 - 2 sessions offered: 1:00-4:00 PM and 5:30-8:30 PM
Syracuse Center for Excellence, 727 East Washington Street, Syracuse, NY 13244

More information can be obtained from the DEC website at: <http://www.dec.ny.gov/regulations/81768.html>

UB Student Chapter

With a total of 29 student members, the SUNY at Buffalo chapter of A&WMA reached their previous goal of gaining additional active members. After achieving this previous goal, the chapter is now focusing on community outreach as well as providing educational and professional opportunities for students. One upcoming [A&WMA-NFS](#) sponsored event includes a professional panel discussion on Wednesday, April 13th where students can gain career advice from local professionals as well as gather more information about particular career paths or local opportunities. Several of the panel members are also [A&WMA-NFS Board members](#). Other upcoming events for students include [A&WMA's annual Envirun](#) on Saturday, April 23rd and a tour of the [SUNY at Buffalo Statler Composting Center](#) on Thursday, April 21st.

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