

## **MAC Committee**

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**Mission:** To be an active voice for the service provider, consultants, and manufacturers. Provide responsible representation in areas such as standards, conference planning, sponsorship, technical session development, political action, and all other areas relevant to the ISAWWA and AWWA.

### **Goals:**

Provide responsible representation for and involvement of MAC/Associate members in ISAWWA.

Develop programs and activities for MAC/Associate Members and encourage their membership and participation in ISAWWA.

Provide policy input and develop responses and comments within the framework of ISAWWA on matters affecting MAC/Associate members.

The primary responsibility of the Illinois Section MAC Committee is the Exhibit Hall at the Watercon Conference held every March in Springfield. This includes maintaining a presence on the exhibit hall floor to ensure that it runs efficiently and without issue between exhibitors. Also, to work hard to maintain a flow of attendees through the exhibit hall to give the vendors the best return on their dollar and to give operators a great exhibit hall experience. This is why having operator members is important because operators know what will bring them into the exhibit hall and return for more.

**Why would you want to be involved with this committee?** Taking nothing away from the Water Distribution conference and T-Con, both great conferences themselves, WATERCON is essentially the highlight of the year for ISAWWA and like the Rose Bowl, the Granddaddy of them all. Our responsibility for and presence at is always a great deal of fun for the committee. We are always looking for fresh ideas to make the exhibit hall experience a memorable one for all. Sure we have responsibilities during the conference but we also have fun.

**Time commitment:** We have meetings once a month (with a couple of exceptions) on Tuesday mornings at the Section office. There is also a phone-in option for those unable to make it in person.

**Fun Facts:** Did I mention we usually have pizza at our monthly meetings in St. Charles?

We also have the honor of selecting the section John Lechner Award of Excellence winner each year. In 2013 our nominee for the National Lechner Award, Jeff Fischer was presented with that award at ACE.

### **Committee Members:**

George Argiris	John Callan
Carlos Covarubias	Tony Cuzzone
Karl D'Arcy	John Donahue
Jim Dooley	Mike Dunn
Ralph Gross	Todd Kerry
Terry Locke	Pete Lynch
Dave Moody	Mike Ramsey
Rich Ransford	Paul Schumi
Todd Schaefer	Luke Sharp
Bruce Smith	Larry Thomas
Chad Travnicek	

**Volunteer activities:** There are a number of on-site activities at WATERCON that we need help with. Feel free to contact Terry Locke or Todd Schaefer for more information.