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The Newsletter of NJAWWA

Letter from the Chair

by Stacy Fysz

It is an honor to move into the Chair position and serve the Section on yet another level. Chris Andreasen and those before him have left me with very large shoes to fill. While they are tough acts to follow, I know that I learned from the best and hope that you are, as I am, looking forward to another exciting year.

As I am composing my first letter as Chair, out the window I see trees beginning to bloom and flowers slowly blossoming. The blossoming of spring reminds me of the constant cycle of life. At our Section, we, too, are involved in a cycle. Spring begins as we hold our annual conference. It is also a time when we celebrate the past year's accomplishments and set the course for the year ahead.

Our conference at Bally's was wonderfully successful. We expected no less because of the vision, dedication and hard work of our Conference Committee led by Carol Walczyk and its Subcommittees: the Technical Program Committee led by Steve Blankenship, the Vendors/Manufacturers' Associates Committee led by Tom Kuehnel, and the Registration Committee led by Tom Dawson and Ken Garrison. While, these committees and these individuals are at the heart and soul of this annual affair, there are many other individuals and committees who work tirelessly to ensure a successful conference. Thank you all for your work to ensure a successful conference!

Even before the conference began, though, we knew this conference was going to be successful. During the preparation, we achieved a significant milestone. Because of the on-line registration, a new record for pre-



conference registration was set. Those who pre-registered not only realized a savings in the fees, but pre-registering also guaranteed less wait time in line at the Registration Desk. The excellent pre-conference registration also allowed us to continue our efforts to provide superior customer service during the event. We hope that those of you who attended the conference, our exhibitors, our registrants and our speakers, enjoyed the conference and found it valuable to you and your employer. Thank you all for your participation in the Section's biggest event.

Going forward with the 2007 – 2008 year, we will continue to build on what has been successful and add two new initiatives to enhance the NJAWWA experience.

One of our successful initiatives that began two years ago was the Trustee Roadshow. The Trustees visited with public and private water utilities, regulators, and associations. The goal of the Roadshow is to receive feedback from those we visit about what we are doing well, and even more importantly, to learn what we can do better to serve you, our members. With some of the feedback we received, the Education and Professional Development Committee

sponsored the successful Management Seminar held in February. Because of the success of the initiative and the valuable feedback and insights from those we visited, we will continue this program during the coming year.

In looking back at my career, and listening to the many stories told by you, there were individuals that guided us during our careers. And if we were fortunate, some of these relationships began during our college years. Some of the stories I remembered and heard dealt with mentoring relationships. Some of the stories were about the history of the water industry in our state. The two new initiatives we will add this year will encompass both types of stories.

The first initiative is the establishment of the professional to student mentoring program. Many of the young professionals have told me about the informal mentoring relationships that developed as they ended their college careers. The establishment of the program will help many more college students realize the benefits of having a mentor. The goal of the program is to enable students who have an interest in the environmental or water professions to learn about our industry, generate excitement about the industry and provide them with information about the opportunities in becoming part of an interesting industry that has public health protection as part of its mission. Our Student Affairs Committee will take the lead with this project. If you are interested in participating in this valuable program, please contact Alexandra Wells at (973) 912-2555 or alexandra.wells@hatchmott.com for information on how you can become part of the program.

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NJAWWA's Water For People Committee Sells Out

by Chris Evans

While it is true the Water For People Committee goes to extremes to fund raise, we have not sold out morally. The sell out occurred at the 4th Annual Water For People Golf Classic. At press time the outing had 172 golfers and 50 sponsors. The committee is currently implementing a plan to allow all golfers to participate using morning and afternoon flights of golfers.

The Committee hopes to be selling tickets soon for the 2nd Annual Turning Wine Into Water event. Sandy Kutzing is leading the Water For People Wine Tasting fundraiser and her committee has narrowed the search from 70 down to 6 qualified restaurants. We plan to host a wine tasting paired with dinner at a location in New Brunswick. This event will be held on a Friday evening in October.

Selling Water For People clothing kept our committee very busy at the NJAWWA Annual Conference. Bob and Sandy McIntyre have hand crafted business casual attire that will keep you in front of the latest fashion trends. What could say Oo La La more than sporting your new Water For People logo?

Judi Kraszewski of Water For People joined us this year for the NJAWWA Annual Conference. While attending the conference Judy

and I met with leadership of the New Jersey Water Environment Association (NJWEA). NJWEA gave us a commitment to form a Water For People committee and team with NJAWWA on fund raising events. Please encourage your friends in NJWEA to help support this initiative.

Stay tuned for details of upcoming Water For People events at www.njawwa.org. For more information about participating in the Water For People Committee, please contact Chris Evans at (215) 928-2207 or evansca@bv.com.

Chris Evans is a Project Engineer with Black & Veatch and Chair of the NJAWWA Water For

Videographers Needed

The Section is developing a Living History Program. The program is being lead by the Retired Professionals committee under the leadership of Mike Opaleski and by John Civardi. One of the first initiatives will be interviewing some of the legends of the Water Industry in New Jersey. The Section is seeking members who are skilled in videography to assist in this endeavor. If you are interested please contact Mike Opaleski at (732) 238-3557 or mjo-llc@comcast.net or John Civardi at (973) 912-2418 or john.civardi@hatchmott.com.

NJAWWA Bylaws and Board Changes

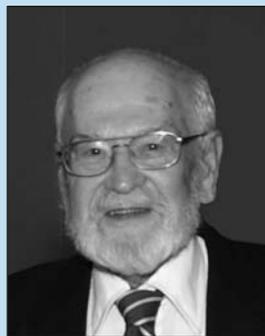
by Stacy Fysz

During the annual conference business meeting, part of the agenda focused on the recommended changes to our Bylaws and changes to the Board. Briefly stated, two additional Trustees would be added to the Board, bringing the total number of Trustees from two to four. Each Trustee would serve one three-year term. The second recommendation would change the way Trustees move to the position of Vice-Chair and Chair. No longer would Trustees automatically follow a path to the chair-personship. Once a Trustee or Secretary-Treasurer served two years of a three-year term, they would be eligible for the position of Vice-Chair. If selected, the Trustee or Secretary-Treasurer would then move on to Vice-Chair and then Chair. However, Trustees or Secretary-Treasurers not selected to immediately move to the Vice-Chair position would be moved into a pool of eligible candidates for future Vice-Chair positions. After the explanation and discussion, those present voted to make these changes to the Bylaws and the Board. If you would like more detailed information on the changes, please visit our website at www.njawwa.org.

The next step in changing the Bylaws was to have these changes submitted to AWWA's Administrative Policy Committee (APC). With the successful vote at our Business Meeting, we immediately submitted the results so that the request for changes to the Bylaws would be placed on the APC Docket for its April meeting. I am happy to report that on April 19, 2007, AWWA's APC voted to support these changes. We await the final review by the National Directors at their June meeting during the Annual Conference and Exposition in Toronto. We expect that they, too, will support these changes. And, if so, the changes will go into effect with the next nomination process that will begin in the Fall.

Stacy Fysz is a Management Specialist at Trenton Water Works and is Chair of the Section.

In Memory of Edward D. Bastian



We were sincerely saddened to hear of the passing of Edward D. Bastian, retired Chief Engineer and Vice President for Middlesex Water Company (MWC) and AWWA life member. Ed was an active New Jersey water utility leader during his career in the 1960's and 1970's, providing strong leadership as the "Chief" for MWC, including the creation of a new Raritan Basin surface water supply for the fast growing region in central NJ.

Many of us more recently have come to know Ed, and his wife Lois, for their charm and visibility at our annual conferences, still 25 years after his retirement. He was a strong supporter for NJAWWA and encouraged participation in the Section as a resource for education and collaboration on water related issues. He was usually found in the front row of technical sessions, seeking the latest information, and asking questions. In 1984 he was recognized as the Section's Fuller Award recipient.

Ed is survived by his wife, Lois, and all of us in this next generation of water professionals who have been inspired by his spirit and dedication to the drinking water industry.

New Trustee: Laura Cummings

by Margie Gray



Laura Cummings, an NJAWWA member since 1989, is the Passaic Valley Water Commission's Little Falls Water Treatment Plant Superintendent, responsible for Production, Laboratory, Transmission and Maintenance Departments. She formerly worked for MWH in their Applied Research Department where

her work focused on drinking water related research. She received her BS in Civil Engineering from Texas A&M and her MS in Environmental Engineering from the University of Cincinnati. She is a licensed Professional Engineer and T-4 Water Treatment Plant Operator.

Laura has served AWWA on both the local and national levels. At the local level, she has served on the Education and Professional Development Committee, both as a member and as Chair. She has also more recently been a member of the Strategic Planning Committee. At the national level, she has served on various Technical and Professional Advisory Committees for AWWARF projects and as an alternate member of the Standards Committee on Activated Carbon. She has also

served as a member of the California-Nevada Section's Research Committee. Laura says that the committee work with AWWA has provided her with an excellent forum for developing a substantial network of dedicated professionals throughout the United States and abroad.

Laura is very appreciative of being provided the opportunity to serve on the Board. Her specific interests for the Section center mostly on educational and professional diversity. She says that her focus will be on expanding the educational programs to address the diverse backgrounds of professionals in the field.

Margie Gray is an Engineer with Hatch Mott MacDonald and Chair of the Publications Committee.

New Secretary-Treasurer: David Ern

by Margie Gray



David Ern is Vice President and General Manager of Gordon's Corner Water Company, which serves 15,000

customers in Marlboro and Manalapan Townships in Monmouth County. He has been a member of NJAWWA since 1996 and is also an active member of the New Jersey Chapter of the National Association of Water Utilities (NAWC-NJ) and the New Jersey Utilities Association (NJUA). He is currently Vice Chair of NAWC-NJ and a member of the Board of Directors of NJUA.

A graduate of the University of Richmond with a BS in Business Administration, David holds T-3 and W-3 State Water Licenses. He is the third generation in a family run

business and has hands on, operational experience dating back 20 years. David is happy for the opportunity to serve the Section as Secretary-Treasurer using his background in business/finance. He also thinks that he will bring a different dynamic and perspective to the Board as a member representing a medium size, family run water utility. He looks forward to interacting and working with members of the water industry with whom he has not yet had the pleasure of working.

Margie Gray is an Engineer with Hatch Mott MacDonald and Chair of the Publications Committee.

New Director: John Young

by Rich Russo

For my last article I would like to thank the section membership and officers for their cooperation and support in the past three years.

Time passed quickly, but during the past three years AWWA rolled forward with the establishment of a Strategic Plan and completion of the examination of its Structure and Governance, which resulted in major changes to its bylaws.

At the board meeting on Saturday, June 23rd, John Young will take office as your Director. John has been an

active member in the New Jersey Section for over 20 years and is a past Section Chair, Fuller Awardee, and AWWA Life Member. He also serves on the USEPA National Drinking Water Advisory Council (NDWAC).

John Young is Chief Operating Officer (COO) of American Water and holds a seat on the company's Board of Directors. He was responsible for a wide range of corporate functions, including identifying and implementing operational improvements; managing the American Water's capital program; and directing risk management in the

areas of health and safety, security and event management. He was also responsible for environmental compliance, management, and stewardship; engineering; research and technology; and assessment of commercial and growth initiatives.

John is a registered professional engineer in a number of states. He holds a BS in Civil Engineering from Duke University, and an MS in Environmental Engineering from the University of North Carolina.

Rich Russo is a Vice President with Hatch Mott MacDonald and the Director of NJAWWA.

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Highlights of the 72nd Annual Conference

by Carol Walczyk



The 2007 Conference of the New Jersey Section of the American Water Works Association was held March 27-30 at Bally's Atlantic City hotel and casino, with approximately 715 attendees and 84 exhibitors.



The Conference theme, "Changing Climate of the Water Industry," was inspired by the topic of Tuesday's Pre-Conference Workshop: Climate Change and Global Warming. Tuesday's program also included the Trustees/Business Meeting, the Opening Session, and the Meet and Greet Cocktail Reception in the exhibit area featuring the section band, Water Hammer.

During the pre-conference workshop on Tuesday and the three concurrent technical sessions on Wednesday and Thursday, conference attendees had the potential to earn up to 14 TCH's towards the continuing education requirements for New Jersey operator licenses and/or up to 7.5 TCH's towards the continuing education requirements for New York professional engineering licenses. The technical program included 65 presentations and panel discussions on topics including Regulatory, Treatment, Energy, Management, Supply, Distribution, Planning, Conservation, Utility Operations and Mentoring.

On Wednesday, the traditional 3K Fun Run/Walk was held on the boardwalk. Guests of conference attendees enjoyed lunch and a visit to the spa, organized by Pam Andreasen. The Operators' Bowl competition on Wednesday afternoon, organized by the Small Systems Committee, featured the debut of Larry Coslow as emcee. Congratulations and good luck to Carl Behrens of Cape May, Roger Budd of Barnegat, and Frank Marascia of Southeast Morris County Municipal Utilities Authority who won the competition and the ability to represent the New Jersey Section at the National AWWA Conference in Toronto this June. Also on Wednesday afternoon, Danielle Stoner and David Champion of Stevens Institute of Technology won the student poster competition. On Wednesday evening, conference attendees had the opportunity to join the Membership Committee at a comedy show at the Tropicana.

The band "He Said, She Said" and the traditional NJAWWA Year in Pictures Slideshow provided entertainment during the Annual Banquet on Thursday night, where the Chair gavel was passed from Chris Andreasen of Middlesex Water Company to Stacy Fysz of Trenton Water Works. Stacy, the Section's first female Chair, described her initiatives for the upcoming year, including a mentoring program and a program to protect and celebrate the heritage and history of New Jersey water supply facilities. Stacy also intends to continue initiatives of her prede-



cessors, including the Trustees Road Show. Thursday night's award presentations included the Fuller Award, the H.V. Florence, Jr. Meritorious Operator Award, the Next Generation Award, and the Fresh Ideas Award. Water for People committee chair Chris Evans of Black & Veatch was recognized for his nomination for the national Kenneth Miller award for his efforts for the Water for People program.

On Friday, attendees enjoyed the Section Breakfast, followed by a tour of the Atlantic County Utilities Authority's wind and solar energy facilities that provided attendees the opportunity to earn one more TCH on the way home from the conference.

The Conference Committee would like to thank the attendees, exhibitors, Board of Trustees, Section Manager,

and all of the many volunteers who put so much time and effort into organizing and running this year's conference. We have already begun planning for the 73rd Annual Conference, which will be held at Trump Taj Mahal on the Boardwalk, March 25-28, 2008. If you have questions, suggestions or comments about past or future Annual Conferences, please feel free to contact Carol Walczyk, Conference Committee Chair at carol.walczyk@hatchmott.com or (973) 912-2534.

Carol Walczyk is an Associate with Hatch Mott MacDonald and is the Chair of the Conference Committee.

2007 Fuller Award Winner: Jerry Notte

by The Fuller Award Committee



2007 Fuller Award Winner Jerry Notte (center) is congratulated by past winners.

At the 2007 Annual Conference, Jerry Notte, a Vice President with MWH, was presented with the 2007 George Warren Fuller Award. The Fuller Award is conferred to a member each year for “distinguished service in the water supply field and in commemoration of the sound engineering skill, brilliant diplomatic talent, and the constructive leadership of persons in the Association which characterized the life of George Warren Fuller.” The following is an excerpt of the Fuller Award Citation read at the Annual Conference.

“The Fuller Awardee for this year is a man of many talents. He is a skilled Laboratory manager having originally earned a degree in Biology. He has T-4 and W-4 operator’s licenses and has operated one of the largest water treatment plants in New Jersey. He was an early advocate of preserving land for watershed protection and assisted in the development of watershed management regulations.

While all this was going on, he earned a degree in civil engineering and became a licensed professional engineer. Our awardee has overseen the construction of major water treatment and supply projects and now manages several offices for a major Engineering Consulting Firm.

Our awardee has been active in the New Jersey Section AWWA throughout his entire career and is a past Chairman and Past Secretary-Treasurer of the Section.

Our awardee also finds time for service to his community. He serves on the Board of Adjustment and is Chair of the Environmental Commission. He is on the Highlands Trust Advisory Board and is a Commissioner of the Two Bridges Sewerage Authority.

Our awardee takes regular skiing trips with his family and plays golf with his two daughters. He is also the New Jersey Section’s answer to Van Morrison, being the singer and guitar player for Water Hammer.”

Harold V. Florence Jr. Meritorious Operator Award: Kenneth Garrison

by The Meritorious Operator’s Committee

This year’s award recipient was Kenneth Garrison. Ken has worked in the water industry for nearly 30 years. He holds an AA in Architecture and a BS in Engineering Technology – Civil Option. He currently is the Borough Engineer for the Borough of Fair Lawn. He is a licensed Professional Engineer and holds T-2 and W-4 Water Operator’s Licenses. Throughout his career he has been active in various associations, the NJ Society of Municipal Engineers, North Jersey Water Conference and the New Jersey Section of AWWA. His dedication commitment and professional attitude is evident as he willingly shares his knowledge and skills, offering suggestions and his experiences to others concerning issues on drinking water.



Recognition Committee Chair Receives Recognition

by Nicole Wiley



The fourth annual Next Generation Award was presented to Chris Olson, a Technical Manager with Schoor DePalma, at the NJAWWA Annual Conference. The award is given to a Young Professional (35 years of age or younger) who has made significant contributions to the organization. Chris was a member of the Membership Services Committee for 3 years, the Drinking Water Week Ad-Hoc Committee for one year and the Strategic Planning Committee for 3 years. This past year he became Chair of the Recognition Committee and developed a new award for municipal officials entitled the “Municipal Leadership Award”. This

award will be given out during Drinking Water Week to recognize a municipal official that has a focus on protecting the water supply and/or promoting safe drinking water in their municipality. Chris has made it a point to attend many of the functions held by the NJAWWA over the past several years and has attended regional and national summits to try to gather ideas and information to improve the New Jersey Section. Congratulations to Chris for some well deserved recognition!

Nicole Wiley is a Project Engineer with CH2M Hill and Chair of the Membership Services Committee.

Fresh Ideas from a Fresh Face

by Nicole Wiley

The Fresh Ideas contest was established several years ago to promote and encourage Young Professionals (YPs) to present papers at the Annual Conference. All YPs that present at the Annual Conference are judged by a diverse panel of New Jersey Section members based on relevance of the topic, presentation skills and content of the presentation. The judges' scores are tallied, and the top scorer receives \$300 and an opportunity to present their winning paper as part of a poster competition at the National AWWA Annual Conference and Exposition show. This year's winner was Patrick Cole from American Water. Patrick presented a paper entitled "A Water Conservation Audit and Reuse Assessment: The Princeton Experience". For the presentation, Patrick discussed an audit that was initiated as a systematic review of water uses at the campus of Princeton University, including industrial, ornamental, athletic and residential consumption. The effort led to an evaluation of Princeton's water conservation practices, and included

suggestions for improvement based on economic feasibility. While the judges were impressed with all of the candidates this year, Patrick received consistent and high rankings from each judge across the board. Good job Patrick! We hope that this will encourage more YPs to submit abstracts for next year's Annual Conference.

Nicole Wiley is a Project Engineer with CH2M Hill and Chair of the Membership Services Committee.



From the Desk of the Small Systems and Operators Committee

by Max Huber



This year's winning Operator Bowl team (from left to right) Carl Behrens, Frank Marascia, and Roger Budd.

The annual NJAWWA Conference was, as usual, the highlight of most of the Section members' "water year". From the opening night "Meet and Greet" (with smooth music supplied by "Water Hammer") to the Awards Banquet, it was a well planned and smoothly run event.

Speaking in regards to the Small Systems and Operators Committee (SS&OC), I can say that all the committee members worked in concert to get things organized. I would like especially to thank new member Brian Carr of Schoor-DePalma for his excellent work on organizing the Small Systems table where the committee was busy 'hijacking' attendees into having their photo taken behind the committee's mascot, "Pirate, the Water Drop". The committee's highlight is of course, the "Top Operator Bowl" which was held on Wednesday afternoon. Carl Behrens of Cape May, Roger Budd of Barnegat and Frank Marascia of Southeast Morris County Municipal Utilities Authority were this year's winning team. As a reminder to all would be contestants, it is not too early to start thinking about putting a team together and studying those questions for next year!

Other Small Systems and Operator Committee news is that long time co-chair Roger Budd of Barnegat Water, stepped down from his co-chair position. While Roger could no longer be a full-time chair, he is staying

Kenneth J. Miller Founders' Award Nominee: Chris Evans

by Chris Olson



At the 2007 Annual Spring Conference, the Water For People (WFP) Committee recognized Chris Evans, the Chair of the WFP Committee, by nominating him for the Kenneth J. Miller Founder's Award. The award is classified as nationwide recognition

bestowed by AWWA National for excellence in volunteer service to the WFP foundation. The WFP foundation is an international humanitarian effort to help provide safe water to those in need.

Let us congratulate Chris on his dedication, hard work and success, and hope that AWWA National recognizes his achievements as proudly as the New Jersey Section.

Chris Evans is a Project Engineer for Black & Veatch.

Chris Olson is a Technical Manager with Schoor DePalma, Inc. and Chair of the Recognition Committee.

on as a member of the Small Systems Committee since, in his words, the meetings are "just too much fun!"

The committee welcomes as its new co-chair, Ken Ern, of Gordon's Corner Water Company. Ken has been a committee member for some time, and we look forward to keeping him busy for the upcoming year. The Small Systems and Operators Committee is looking to host some educational seminars in the coming months, and again hopes to partner

with other committee's to help host events like the recent "Bowling Night".

For more information about the committee, please contact Max Huber at (973) 989-0010, or Ken Ern at (732) 946-9333.

Max Huber is Vice President/Director of Operations of Agra Environmental & Laboratory Services and Co-Chair of the Small Systems and Operators Committee.

2008 NJAWWA Annual Spring Conference Call for Papers

by Stephen Blankenship

With a successful 2007 Annual Conference just behind us, it is already time to begin planning for the 2008 Spring Conference, which will be held on Tuesday, March 25 through Friday, March 28, 2008. Each year the Technical Program Committee (TPC) strives to provide an opportunity to present research findings, regulatory updates, treatment developments and generally share information with our fellow water industry colleagues. In addition, the TPC strongly encourages individuals who have not submitted previously or who have not submitted in recent years to consider this opportunity, especially operators. Remember that only your participation will continue to help make each conference technically stronger than the last.

ABSTRACT SUBMISSION: In order to secure the necessary Technical Contact Hours (TCHs) for the program, abstracts must be submitted for consideration by September 7, 2007. Your abstract should not exceed 300 words and the title should not exceed 10 words.

Abstracts should be submitted to the Technical Program Committee in care of:

Stephen R. Blankenship, PE
Technical Program Committee Chair

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The abstract should also clearly indicate the following information:

- Speaker name and title
- Organization
- Presentation title
- Address
- City / State / Zip
- Tel / Fax / email
- Brief biographical information including education and qualifications

Individuals interested in submitting an abstract must utilize the downloadable form found on the NJAWWA website at www.njawwa.org. Abstract submission in electronic format is required. To be considered, your abstract must be received by the TPC no later than Friday, September 7, 2007. Abstract review will commence soon after the September 7th deadline. Abstracts will be selected based on their technical merit, originality, timeliness and relevance. Abstracts received after the deadline may not be accepted.

NOTIFICATION OF ACCEPTANCE AND SUBMITTAL DATES:

Acceptance notification will be made to the corresponding author by the

end of November 2007. Submittals of all presentations will be required by February 22, 2008. Speakers are encouraged to submit a written paper as well as their presentation by February 22, 2008. Copies of abstracts, papers and presentations are normally included in the Conference Proceedings.

CONFERENCE REGISTRATION: *Speakers will be offered a complimentary one-day registration for the day of their presentation only.*

Please note that all speakers are required to cover the costs associated with attending the conference. These costs include, but are not limited to, conference registration (for days when not speaking), lodging, meals and travel.

QUESTIONS: Please direct your inquiries to Carol Walczyk, Chair – Annual Conference Committee at (973) 912-2534 or carol.walczyk@hatchmott.com; or Stephen Blankenship, Chair – Technical Program Committee at (609) 625-1872 or srbship@htmua.com.

Stephen Blankenship is the Executive Director of the Hamilton Township MUA and the chair of the NJAWWA Technical Program Committee

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AWWA Schedules Management Institutes

The five-day Basic AWWA Water Utility Management Institute will be presented in Salt Lake City, Utah, September 17 – 21, 2007, and a second Basic Institute in Salt Lake City will be presented November 12 – 16. All sessions will be held at the Comfort Suites Hotel (near the airport) for AWWA members and water department personnel nationwide. This class brings together water company personnel from every region of the county (and Canada as well) in an atmosphere of learning and sharing important leadership principles. This affordable, top-notch training teaches practical, “real world” supervisory and management skills needed to be effective in today’s workplace. The schedule is as follows:

Day 1 – Foundations Of Leadership

Day 2 – The Leader’s Role In Performance Management

Day 3 – Managing Conflict

Day 4 – Employee Selection

Day 5 – The Leadership of Change

The Institute registration fee is \$499.00. An Advanced AWWA Water Utility Management Institute is scheduled at the same location the week of October 15 - 19, 2007. That schedule is as follows:

Day 1 – Assessment Of Leadership Vision, Values and Strategy

Day 2 – Teambuilding

Day 3 – Employment Law For Managers

Day 4 – Management Of Quality Customer Service

Day 5 – Critical Thinking Skills For Problem Resolution And Innovation

The Advanced Institute registration fee is \$499.00. Optional certification from Utah State University will be available for \$50.00 extra to members needing to meet training requirements for professional affiliations. To obtain the Basic Institute and/or Advanced Institute schedule and registration information, call Chuck Christensen at (801) 333-3779, or email him at chuckets@msn.com.

Seeking Nominations!

Please see our website www.njawwa.org for information regarding submitting nominations for the Dedication Award and other awards.

Governor Proclaims May 6 through May 12 Drinking Water Week

by Robin Casale

National Drinking Water Week kicked off in a big way with a very early (and very chilly) morning visit to the Today Show in New York City! Ten NJAWWA members were joined by a few NYAWWA members at Rockefeller Plaza on Monday, May 7 to be part of the Today Show



NJAWWA Section members visit the Statehouse to discuss the value of drinking water with NJ legislators. Pictured (left to right) Michael Acevedo, Nick DeVecchis, Jordan Volk, Stacy Fysz, Assemblywoman Nellie Pou, Mark Tompeck, William Mitchell, and Benjamin Daniel.



A little paparazzi and some major exposure for NJAWWA at the Today Show. Pictured (left to right) Chris Evans, Robin Casale, Kala Fleming, Nicole Wiley, Alexandra Wells, Lindsey Lento, and Stacy Fysz (not pictured Sonja Clark, Jordan Volk, and Mona Cavalcoli).

crowd. Clad in “Only Tap Water Delivers” T-shirts and posters in hand, our message got ‘on camera’ and we were able to provide detailed information to the Today Show staff and discuss the importance of drinking water with many people also visiting the Plaza.

The Public Information Committee, Water Utility Council, and other NJAWWA members visited the Statehouse on May 10 to promote the importance of safe drinking water in New Jersey. During the visit, the group was presented with a proclamation, signed by Governor Jon Corzine, officially acknowledging May 6 – 12 as “Drinking Water Week” and calling upon all New Jersey residents to practice wise water use and protect source waters from pollution.

NJAWWA members, including representation from Middlesex Water Company, New Jersey American Water, Trenton Water Works, Hatch Mott MacDonald, and Schoor DePalma, took the opportunity to speak with legislators about NJAWWA’s role as the premiere organization in the State dedicated to preserving public health and welfare by insuring the highest quality drinking water. Section Chair, Stacy Fysz, led the event and spoke on the importance of public and private sector water suppliers working with legislators and regulators to secure a safe and adequate water supply, which is critical to the public health and the economic welfare of New Jersey’s citizens. Each year, the state’s municipal and investor-owned utilities deliver over 500 billion gallons of water to the 7.5 million



Mona Cavalcoli embodies the message of “Only Tap Water Delivers” during the Section trip to NYC.

New Jersey residents who depend on public water supplies. New Jersey public water systems should be proud that between 2000-2006 over \$1.4 billion dollars were invested in New Jersey water infrastructure to ensure safe, reliable drinking water supply.

Other NJAWWA Section Drinking Water Week activities included a statewide student poster contest, networking events, and a fundraising event for Water for People.

For more information relating to the activities of the NJAWWA Public Information Committee, please contact: Robin Casale at (856) 309-4612 or Bernadette Sohler at (732) 634-1500.

Robin Casale is an O&M Manager with American Water and Co-Chair of the Public Information Committee.

A New Monet Found!

by Alexandra Wells

This spring, the NJAWWA sponsored the second annual Drinking Water Week poster competition for students in grades 1-4. Over ninety student posters celebrating this year's theme of "The Wonder of Water" were received from various parts of the state. Thank you to all of the NJAWWA members that helped to advertise the poster competition to their communities.

Seven year-old Mac Cunniff from South End School in Cedar Grove was the overall winner in the 1st and 2nd grade category. Seven year-old Jared Fagan from Tuckerton Elementary School won the 2nd place prize for his age group. Mrs. Margery Selfridge's first grade class from Tuckerton Elementary will be the lucky recipients of a classroom pizza party. In addition to the pizza party, Mrs. Selfridge will be receiving a one hundred dollar savings bond as a reward for her efforts.

Ten year-old Joshua Jiang from Hamilton School in Bridgewater Township was the overall winner in the 3rd and 4th grade category. Emily Walczyk from Lafayette Avenue School in Chatham won the 2nd place prize for her age group. Mrs. Yorke's third grade class from Washington



1st and 2nd grade category winner Mac Cunniff poses with his winning poster, father Bob Cunniff, and teacher Ms. Kania.

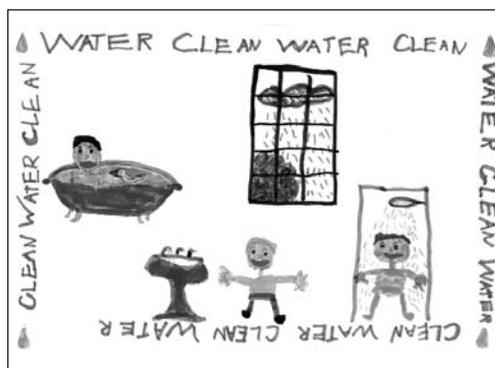
Street School in Toms River will also be receiving a pizza party.

All children are to be commended for their creativity and enthusiasm.

For a glimpse into the children's creativity, please visit www.njawwa.org where you can view some of our favorite entries from this year.



Winning posters: Joshua Jiang, 4th grade (above), and Mac Cunniff, 1st grade (below)



Alexandra Wells is a Project Engineer with Hatch Mott MacDonald and Chair of the Student Affairs Committee.

Municipal Leadership Award

by Chris Olson

The Municipal Leadership Award is presented to the mayor of a New Jersey municipality who exemplifies the effort to provide and promote clean drinking water through public policy and community involvement.

The 2007 winner is Mayor Ernest Troiano of Wildwood City, Cape May County. Mayor Troiano has instituted multiple initiatives that protect the

watershed through proactive monitoring of potential contaminants and initiatives that reduce demands placed on the challenge-stricken Cohansey Aquifer. The New Jersey Section will present Mayor Troiano this award at Wildwood's next council meeting.

The NJAWWA would like to thank all the great mayors who submitted nominations. We support your

continued dedication to drinking water. Only Tap Water Delivers! On behalf of all the residents and visitors to the state of New Jersey, we thank you all for your continued promotion of safe, clean drinking water.

Chris Olson is a Technical Manager with Schoor DePalma, Inc. and Chair of the Recognition Committee.

Local Leaks

Alexandra Wells of Hatch Mott MacDonald has earned her PE license... **Bernadette Sohler** was promoted to Vice President of Corporate Affairs at Middlesex Water Company ... **Robin Casale** of American Water was appointed to a three year term as Trustee on the AWWA Management Division and as a liaison to the Standards Council.

Got a leak? Submit news about NJAWWA members' professional and personal milestones for publication in Pipeline. See page 12 for editor contact information.

SAVE THE DATES!

NJAWWA Fall Conference

September 27, 2007

Old Orchard Country Club

Eatontown, New Jersey

NJAWWA 73rd Annual Conference
March 25-28, 2008

Trump Taj Mahal
Atlantic City, New Jersey

New Jersey Section Members Active Nationally

by Mona Cavalcoli

Did you know that many New Jersey Section members are actively involved at the national level? Section members also participate on AWWA Committees, Councils, and Divisions. They help shape standards, policies, and the vision of this Association.

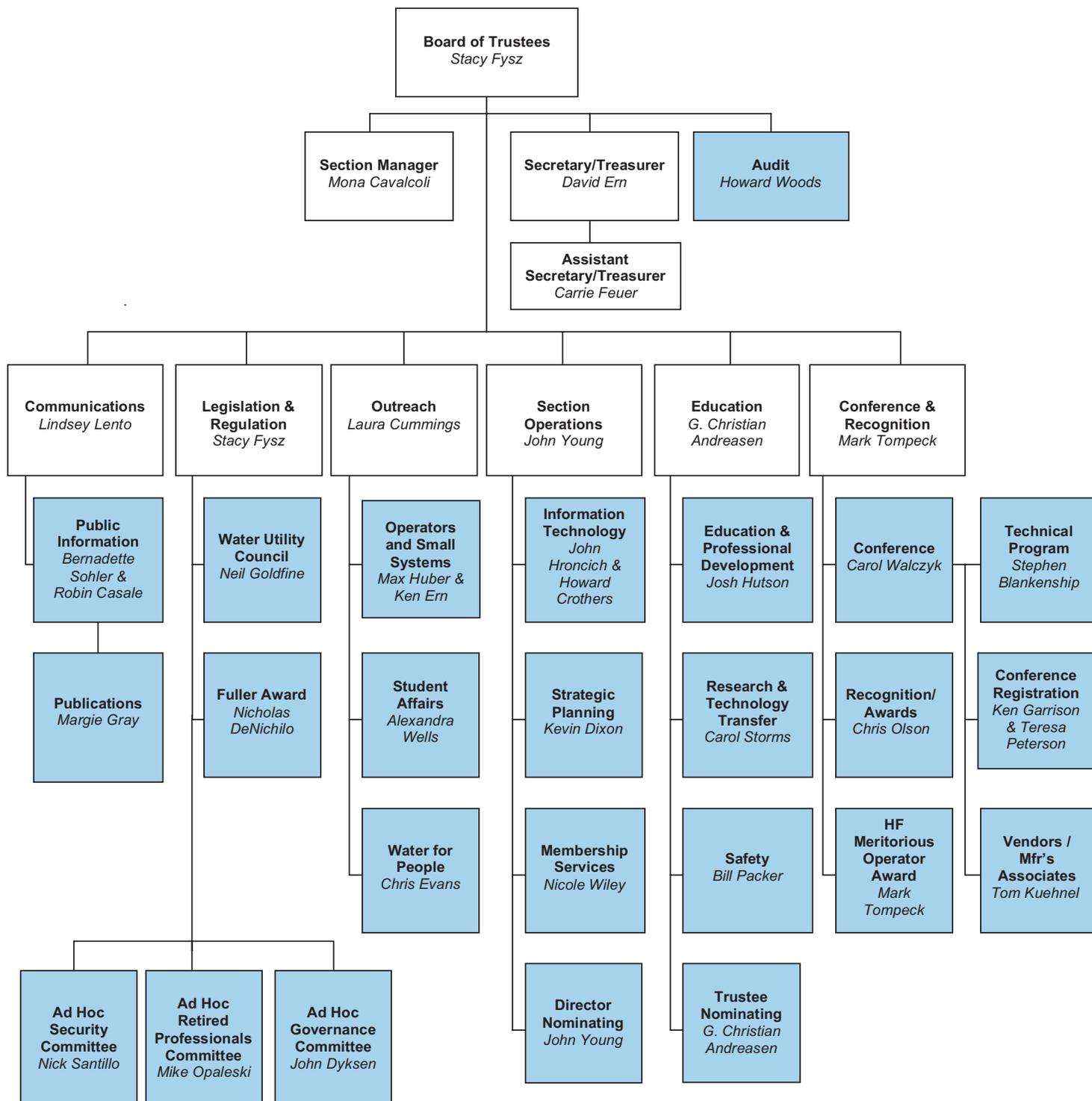
Are you interested in participating beyond the Section level? Being a part of national Committees, Councils or Divisions generally requires submitting an application. There may be limits to the number of people that can be on any

given committee, and many people from all around North America may want to participate. But don't let that discourage you! Being part of a Committee, Council or Division can be a very rewarding experience! Just ask any of the New Jersey Section Members listed below about the committee(s) they serve on!

Mona Cavalcoli is the Section Manager of NJAWWA.

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Harvey Klein	<i>Emergency Preparedness Practices, Standard Methods</i>
Wayne Laraway	<i>Polyelectrolytes</i>

NJAWWA Organizational Chart 2007-2008



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Letter from the Chair

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The second new initiative is the Living History Project. Many of us have heard stories about the many facets and individuals in our industry. Questions answered were: how things were built, why they were built, why decisions were made, and who made the decisions. Our retired professionals and experienced professionals have valuable insight and wisdom. Many of the captains of our industry have retired, and soon the captains of today will move into the ranks of retired. We need to proactively capture their stories and wisdom and preserve them as a monument to our past. This is the goal of the Living History Project. Our Retired Professional Committee, under the guidance and care of Mike Opaleski, will be reaching out to our retired professionals and experienced professionals to gather this history, and record it in one of three ways: written, oral, or video. If you would like to be part of this project, please contact Mike Opaleski at (732) 238-3557 or

mjo-llc@comcast.net or John Civardi at (973) 912-2418 or john.civardi@hatchmott.com.

As I close my first letter to you as chair, I encourage and challenge you to begin or to continue your involvement in the Section. Involvement in the Section can take many forms on many different levels. Involvement can range on a continuum from attending one of our events or educational seminars to volunteering for a committee and then rising to the level of committee chair or higher.

Experience shows that involvement will be enjoyable because you will be surrounded by individuals who share the same language and passion as you do about our industry, in which public health protection is at the forefront of our mission. I look forward to seeing you at the events and seminars and hopefully committee meetings this year. Maybe I'll even see you in Toronto! Enjoy the summer!

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