

National Environmental Health Association

1983 Annual Conference Report

More than 700 people attended the National Environmental Health Association's 47th Annual Educational Conference in Norfolk, Virginia, July 9-14, 1983. The tenor was one of enthusiasm and the reaction to the educational program was positive.

The Virginia Environmental Health Association, Host Affiliate, was highly praised for arrangements both in the hotel and for the exciting social events enjoyed by attendees, spouses and their families. Horace Jones as general chairman and Jim English as local arrangements chairman, along with others in the affiliate, received appropriate commendations from NEHA's officers at the awards luncheon and annual banquet.

During the 1982-83 year, the six Technical Section chairpersons worked with their respective committees to develop the well-received educational program. The Food Protection Section, chaired by C. Dee Clingman of Orlando, Florida, had an ambitious program spanning three days and covering many current topics. The Air, Land and Water Section, chaired by Emil Chanlett, Chapel Hill, N.C. and the Injury Control/Occupational Health Section, chaired by Rick Smith, Phoenix, Ariz., sponsored an Indoor Air Pollution Workshop put together by Dr. Salvatore DiNardi, Amherst, Mass. Under the Air, Land and Water Section auspices, the On-Site Wastewater Management and Individual and Community Water Supplies topics received their usual high popularity.

The Environmental Management Section, chaired by Harry Grenawitzke, Monroe, Mich., featured the popular Beverly Nussbaumer with her training programs on coping with stress and management effectiveness. The General Environmental Health Section was chaired by Jim Bowman, Fairfax, Va. and covered specialty programs on swimming pools, housing, epidemiology and vector control.



Keynoter Dr. Gareth Green spoke to a large crowd at the Norfolk meeting. His remarks command serious consideration from environmental health people.

This year, NEHA's Noise Committee paired up with the National Association of Noise Control Officials for a two day session ranging from introduction to noise control to sophisticated technology. The Institutional Section, chaired by Jeffrey Cross, Big Rapids, Mich., put on a two day educational program running the gamut from energy conservation to infectious waste management.

The NEHA Uniformed Services affiliate's highly interesting technical program featured presentations from each of the military services. The Conference of Local Environmental Health Administrators gathered for an educational program focusing on managers. And, the Educational Committee of NEHA conducted the second annual forum on environmental health education, training and continuing education.

Affiliate Workers

Members of the Virginia Affiliate who are credited with detailed planning and staging the conference are Horace Jones, General Chairman; Jim English, Local Arrangements Chairman; Garland Gobble, Mark LaCroix, Jeff Graves, Ted Lohman, Ron Morton, Kathy McAllister, John Benko, Jim Johnson, James White, Sharon Prescott, Ronald Ponzan,

Paul Sandman, Susan Cooper, Calvin Jones, Lance Ostlund, M.F. Hall, Arthur Ybarra, F.R. Andrews, Richard Cantrell, Ed Newman, Oscar Godley, John Alew, Dave Jordan, George Corbett. Jim Houser is Virginia President and champion crab eater.

Board Action

Significant action taken by the Board of Directors:

1. Passed a resolution in support of a continuing strong Clean Air Act;
2. Passed a resolution offering support and endorsement of action leading to legislation that addresses the issue of Acid Rain;
3. Adopted a position statement regarding employment of qualified professionals in environmental health positions;
4. Adopted a position statement on Indoor Air Pollution;
5. Accepted a recommendation for handling of Bulk Food in Retail Food Stores, with refinement to be made by the NEHA Executive Director;
6. Voted support for continuing education and training for environmental health personnel and investigation of the feasibility of developing regional conferences to make such

education and training more accessible to the majority of environmental health field personnel;

7. Voted to move the National Council for Continuing Education in Environmental Health to NEHA headquarters;

8. Awarded the 1987 Annual Educational Conference Bid to California, with the city of San Diego as the site;

9. Created a NEHA Scholarship Fund with a 1982 donation of \$1,000 by A. Harry Bliss, LaJolla, Calif., as the initial deposit. Interest from the Scholarship Fund will be used to assist students in environmental health programs. Donations are solicited for the fund and are tax deductible. Anyone who contributes \$25 or more to the fund will be listed in the *Journal*;

10. Approved an Industry Affiliate, with membership open to Active, Life and Fellow members of NEHA who are employed by industry;

11. Established and prioritized 1983-84 Goals and Objectives;

12. Adopted a \$350,000 budget, and at the recommendation of the President and Executive Director, approved a six month reexamination of the budget;

13. Received reports from the various councils, sections and committees.

Officers

Officers elected via the 1983 Mail Ballot, certified by the Board at the annual meeting, are George Morris, Waukesha, Wis., Second Vice President; Jay Walsh, Beverly, Mass., First Vice President; and Rick Rowe, Columbia, S.C., President-Elect. Phil Kirkwood automatically moved from President-Elect to President on July 13 and chaired the Board meeting on July 14.

New Regional Vice Presidents elected via the 1983 Mail Ballot are Linda Chapman in Region 1; Dora May Coleman in Region 4; Harry Grenawitzke in Region 6. Linda is Advisory Sanitarian III with the Washington State Department of Social and Health Services in Olympia; Dora May is Scientist, Microbiology, with the Pillsbury Company in Minneapolis; and Harry is Director of Environmental Health, Monroe County, Monroe, Mich. Retiring Regional Vice Presidents were Ray

Ruff, Region 1; Del Matasovsky, Region 4; and Cliff Ripley, Region 6. They were duly recognized at the Awards Luncheon for the work they did during their three year or six year terms, receiving NEHA Certificates of Service.

Contenders for 1984

Results of the Nominating Election to establish the 1984 Mail Ballot place Michael Moon of Florida and Diane Eastman of California in contention for the Second Vice President position beginning June 1984. Other candidates on the 1984 ballot are George Morris for First Vice President and Jay Walsh for President-Elect. Rick Rowe is now President-Elect and will automatically become President at the Grand Rapids, Michigan, conference.

Administration Changes

Changes in the National Environmental Health Association's Constitution and Bylaws won approval of the membership via the 1983 Election Mail Ballot. These changes **authorize the Executive Committee, rather than the entire Board of Directors**, to approve the auditing organization, employ the Executive Director and other needed employees, establish the Association office or offices, prescribe the duties of the Executive Director and his staff and authorize a general budget for the operation of the Association office.

The Executive Committee is now responsible for developing and maintaining the Policy and Procedures manual to conduct the affairs of the Association within the framework of the Constitution and Bylaws. The Executive Committee was authorized to prepare an annual budget for Board approval, investigate violations of the Code of Ethics and to assure the integrity and moral standards of the Association. It was entrusted with authority to approve new affiliates or receive members of other organizations into NEHA. It was authorized to develop and present position papers on behalf of the Association. Further, the Executive Committee was authorized to set the time and place for the Annual Educational Conference, to fill vacancies in Regional Vice President positions for the remainder of any unexpired term vacated through death, disability or resignation, and to be included as one

of the bodies that may propose amendments to the Constitution and Bylaws, along with the Board, Affiliates, and the Constitution and Bylaws Committee.

The Executive Committee was established as the authority, within approved policies of the Board of Directors, to which the Executive Director answers in management of the Association office and other responsibilities. The Committee was also empowered to establish Councils, with concurrence of the Board of Directors, and to make appointments to such Councils and oversee their continuation.

The Association President was entrusted with the responsibility of appointing the chairpersons and members of all standing committees: Nominations, Finance, Resolutions, Constitution and Bylaws and Awards.

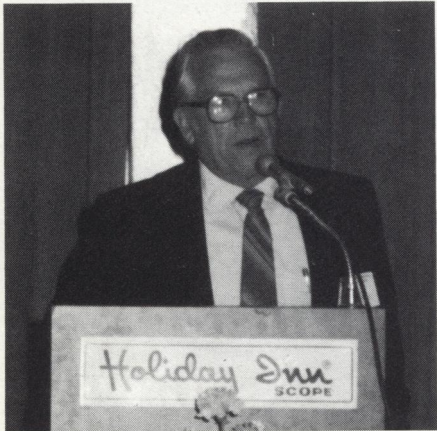
These changes are intended to expedite processes and action by the Association.

Exhibits Educational

Exhibitors made an unusually interesting contribution to the annual educational conference, and attendees found much information in the exhibit hall. In addition to the companies and organizations that manned full booth spaces, NEHA organized and manned the ever-growing Book Exhibit and the new Literature Exhibit.

An innovation this year was the opportunity for companies to sponsor various segments of the conference. The children's program was sponsored by Dan River, Inc., Danville, Va.; M.C. Nottingham Co. of California; Nottingham Pacific, Paramount, Calif.; and Red Lobster Inns of America, Orlando, Fla. The Awards program was sponsored by Dan River; the General Program by A. Smith Bowman Distillery, Sunset Hills, Va. Door prizes were contributed by Gold Kist Peanuts, Suffolk, Va.; Planters Peanuts Division, Nabisco Brands, Suffolk, Va.; Dominion Aquatics, Springfield, Va.; F.R. Andrews, Portsmouth, Va.; and Health Point Golf Course, Norfolk, Va. Mars Air Doors, El Segundo, Calif. supplied zippered portfolios for attendees. National Sanitation Foundation hosted the pre-banquet cocktail hour.

BANQUET HIGHLIGHTS DEDICATION



John Fish spoke from the banquet podium asking affiliates to nominate their qualified Mangold Award potentials.

Walter S. Mangold Award

No presentation was made for the National Environmental Health Association's highest honor to be made to a member—the Walter S. Mangold Award—because suitable nominations were not received from the affiliates who are responsible for the presentations in accordance with criteria set forth in the Guideline for Nominations to the Walter Mangold Award. As stated by the Mangold Award Committee, a document must be prepared in accordance with the guidelines and must reflect the quality of professional comparable to the late Walter S. Mangold who was a pioneer in the field, a founder of a profession and professional organization, and professor at the University of California. A new deadline—March 1, 1984—has been set for receipt of nominations for next year. John Fish, Special Assistant to the Vice President for Health Sciences, University of Washington SC-61, Seattle, WA 98195 is chairman of the Award Committee. Please contact him for instructions on preparing and submitting a document on your candidate for the 1984 Mangold Award.

Walter F. Synder Award

John R. Bagby, Ph.D., Professor and Head, Department of Microbiology and Director, Institute of Rural Environmental Health at Colorado State University, Fort Collins, is recipient of the National Sanitation Foundation/National Environmental Health Association jointly sponsored Walter F. Synder Award for 1983. The recipient is awarded a certificate and handsome clock.

John Bagby was selected by the Snyder Award Committee as the nominee who embodied the qualities set forth as criteria of outstanding accomplishment in the field of environment, for notable contributions to public health and the quality of life, for demonstrated capacity to work with all interests in solving environmental problems, for knowledge and proficiency in utilizing voluntary standards to obtain environmental objectives, and for leadership in securing action on behalf of environmental goals.

John Bagby has led CSU's graduate and undergraduate environmental health curricula to accreditation, and the Rural Environmental Health Institute, under his direction, has attained wide recognition for program excellence, particularly in the fields of epidemiology and industrial hygiene.



Dr. John Bagby graciously accepted the Snyder Award presented by Dr. Nina McClelland.

John has been an advisor to the National Aeronautics and Space Administration since 1964, focusing on contamination control problems associated with space exploration. He is also advisor to the World Health Organization, the U.S. Public Health Service, and to the Jet Propulsion Laboratory in California. He has lectured at Emory and Harvard Universities.

Dr. Bagby is a member of a number of professional organizations and was recently appointed to the Colorado State Board of Health. NEHA congratulates Dr. John R. Bagby, Jr. on this important award in recognition of his professional excellence.



As an expression of appreciation to Ida Marshall, Rick Rowe presented a gold necklace on behalf of NEHA's Executive Committee.



Dr. Trenton Davis, right, received a plaque from Mark Nottingham on the occasion of leaving the office of NEHA president.

Past Presidents' Award

The Past Presidents of the National Environmental Health Association and its predecessor, the National Association of Sanitarians, annually recognize a person who has acted in behalf of the Association and its members in a significant manner. This year, this group gave its acclaim to Nina I. McClelland, Ph.D., president of the National Sanitation Foundation.



Nina McClelland was recognized by NEHA past presidents for her dedication and efforts on behalf of NEHA's mission and goals. Harry Steigman was the delighted presenter.



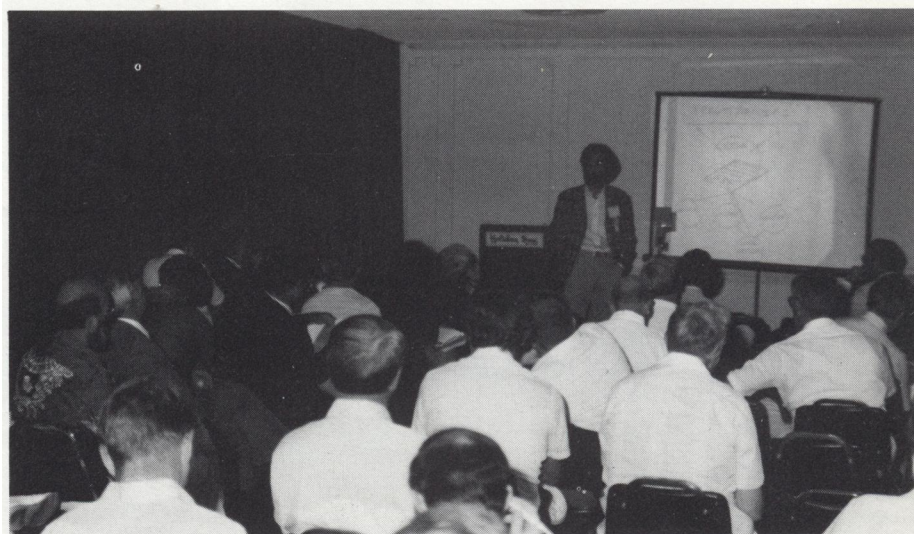
Ninety children attended the AEC with their parents and were treated to a movie and videogame room which drew their rapt attention. Poolside afforded some gleeful activity.



Food protection workers crowded the sessions to hear new topics and innovative ideas for solving everyday problems.



The well-attended Indoor Air Pollution workshop was expertly conducted by Dr. Salvatore Di Nardi, University of Massachusetts professor involved in monitoring home air.



Jeffrey Cross, Ferris State College, Big Rapids, Mich., spoke to an attentive group of educators and employers regarding educational offerings, continuing education and a professional services division of NEHA.

AWARDS LUNCHEON

Association members gathered at the Awards Luncheon to recognize volunteers who work for a better profession, organization and Journal.



Certificates of Merit

NEHA Certificates of Merit are given annually to recognize persons who have meritorious contributions within the individual affiliates. The awardees are named by the affiliates and recognition is made through a certificate presented to the awardee or a representative from the affiliate at the awards luncheon. Persons who received the Certificates of Merit in 1983 are: Diane Evans, California; George Calkins, Connecticut; Frank Staffenson, Minnesota; Larry Mitchell, Montana; Edward Terrell, North Carolina; Lt. Peter N. Williams and HMC David Fitzpatrick, Uniformed Services Affiliate.

Editors' Award

The *Journal of Environmental Health's* A. Harry Bliss Editors' Award is given when warranted to a person who has contributed significantly of time, effort, and expertise to improvement of the Journal. The Award was given at the 1983 Awards Luncheon to David E. Hartley, a long time reviewer, author, and a member of the Journal Advisory Board since its inception in January 1978. Dave has been an active member of NEHA for many years and has participated in committee work as well as his meritorious contribution to the Journal. Dr. William G. Walter, Editorial Director, made the presentation.

Presidential Citations

Trenton G. Davis, NEHA President for the 1982-83 year awarded five framed Presidential Citations to persons who expended extra time and effort in behalf of NEHA during his term. Diane Eastman received a citation for her efforts in reviving the Technician Certification Council and instigating evaluation of the Technician Certification Test. Phil Kirkwood, who served as chairman of the Screening Committee in selection of a new Executive Director, was duly recognized for his exhaustive efforts. Ida Marshall received Trenton's thanks for serving as Acting Administrator as well as her duties as Editor-in-Chief of the Journal during most of his term. Horace Jones was recognized for his role in planning and implementing the Annual Educational

Conference. And, finally, but certainly one of the most important, Trenton recognized the dedication and work of his secretary at East Carolina University, Hazel Lovett, who cheerfully accepted a double load of work in helping Trenton through his year as president.



Dr. Trenton Davis recognized the considerable effort of Diane Eastman, California, in revitalizing the Technician Certification Council.



Dr. William G. Walter, right, Editorial Director of the *Journal of Environmental Health*, presented the A. Harry Bliss Editors' Award to David E. Hartley, Chicago, Ill., for his work as reviewer, author and member of the Journal Advisory Board.



Phil Kirkwood, right, was recognized by President Davis for chairing the extensive search for a new executive director.

Industry Sanitarian Award

Paul Laughlin received the NEHA Food Protection Section's Industry Sanitarian Award at the Awards Luncheon on July 12. This award is made each year to a member of NEHA who is employed by the food industry in recognition for outstanding contributions to the field of food protection and sanitation.



Paul Laughlin accepts Industry Sanitarians' accolade from Joel Simpson.

Paul Laughlin retired as vice president of Nabisco in April, 1983 after a 33 year career in food protection, the

last 25 at Nabisco. He hails from California where he began his career at the University of California, moved to the Dried Fruit Association of California and joined Nabisco in 1957 as the company's first corporate level sanitarian. His final position there was Vice President, Environmental Health and Safety.

Paul has served on numerous NEHA and other organization committees, and contributed to the expansion of sanitation and environmental health in the food industry. He served NEHA in several capacities including the Advisory Committee on Role Delineation for Practitioners in Environmental Health, the Professional Examination for Registration Review Committee, was a Regional Vice President, was chairman of the Food Standards Committee and the Bylaws Committee. He has served also as parliamentarian.

Presentation of the Award was made by Joel Simpson, chairman of the Food Industry Award committee.



Two outgoing regional vice presidents, Del Matasovsky, left, and Cliff Ripley, right, are recognized by Trenton Davis for their efforts. Ray Ruff did not attend.



National Association of Noise Control Officials joined NEHA Noise Committee for a specialty program. NANCOC met during lunch.

Epsilon Nu Eta

Epsilon Nu Eta, the honor society for students in accredited colleges and universities, annually makes two awards to persons who exemplify the three qualities of a professional in environmental health—exemplary character, scholarship and service to environmental health and academics. This year, the society honored Dr. Trenton G. Davis, chairman, Department of Environmental Health, East Carolina University, Greenville, N.C. and John Fleming, retired head, Department of Environmental Quality Programs, Ferris State College, Big Rapids, Mich.

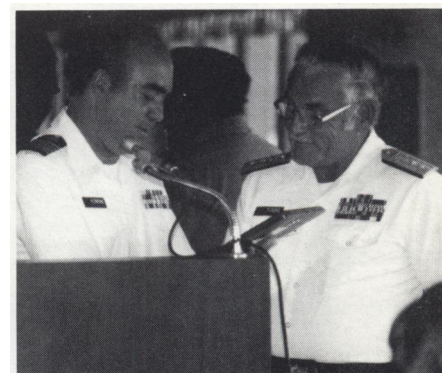


Vince Sikora, center, with two ENU Awardees, Dr. Trenton Davis, left, and John Fleming, right.

CALVIN WAGNER AWARD

The American Academy of Sanitarians' Calvin Wagner Award to a Diplomat who has achieved a status of distinction in environmental health was presented to Dr. John G. Todd, acting deputy director of the Indian Health Service, at the Annual Conference in Norfolk. The Award consists of a plaque and monetary award.

American Academy of Sanitarians luncheon meeting was well attended and highlighted by presentation of Wagner Award.



Dr. John G. Todd, acting deputy director of the Indian Health Service, was honored by the American Academy of Sanitarians and received the Calvin Wagner Award. Dr. Joe Verrone, left, did the honors.



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