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LETTER FROM THE CHAIR

Jessica Miller

Anticipation seems to be the best word to describe this time of year. You can feel the overall excitement for fall, the rising hope for the local football teams, the holidays are right around the corner, and the Louisiana Section Annual Conference is happening in just a few weeks. Our hardworking committee has put together a wonderful conference October 16-17 at the L'Auberge Casino and Resort in Baton Rouge. This newsletter has all of the information on the conference and registration. I hope to see you there!

We also have so many things going on in the association. The Webinar committee has a great program lined up for the fall. The Freight and Environment: Ports of Entry Conference will be October 23-24 in Newark, NJ. The association's 113th Annual Conference and Exhibition will be in San Francisco, CA June 29- July 2. The theme this year is Gateway to Innovation. Abstracts will begin to be accepted very soon. Be a part of ACE 2020 by joining us for the culmination of environmental innovation!

As we move from anticipation to innovation in theme this year, we will continue to have multiple opportunities to get involved in the association. If you would like to get involved, please feel free to contact any of our Board Members listed in this newsletter. Thank you for your continued involvement with the Louisiana Section. We are looking forward to a wonderful fall!

2019 LOUISIANA SECTION
ANNUAL CONFERENCE

OCTOBER 16-17, 2019

L'AUBERGE CASINO & HOTEL - BATON ROUGE

Annual Conference

Tim Desselles, Jennifer Tullier

We are excited and expecting to see all of you at the upcoming 2019 Louisiana Section Annual Conference this October 16th and 17th at the L'Auberge Hotel in Baton Rouge. We've continually striven to improve the conference experience, and we are thrilled to be able to offer additional exhibition spaces this year, along with another slate of excellent speakers and topics.

Our Day 1 Keynote Addresses will feature the new EPA Region 6 Administrator Mr. Ken McQueen, and new VP Environmental and Legal Counsel for LCA, Tokesha Collins-Wright, and our Day 2 Assembly Address will feature our own LDEQ Secretary Dr. Chuck Carr Brown.

As our environmental profession evolves and newer, younger faces continue to join our ranks, we are honored to offer an inaugural session of "Notes to My Younger Self", where Mr. Henry Graham will impart some of the wisdom he accumulated during his long career working in the heart of many of the most intricate environmental policy issues over the last several decades.

We can't wait to see you at this year's conference, and hope that we all learn a number of new things and meet a number of new people again this year. Early registration ensures you get the best rate – to view the preliminary program and/or register please visit <https://la-awma.org/conference/>.



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SUMMER MEETING RECAP

John King

The Summer Dinner was held on July 18 at Mardi Gras World in New Orleans. We were treated to hurricanes, a film about the history of Mardi Gras, a tour of the facility, and a dinner overlooking the Mississippi River. Durund Elzey, the Assistant Deputy District Engineer for Programs and Project Management for the New Orleans District of the Corps of Engineers, provided an interesting and enthusiastic presentation about challenges posed by a river at flood stage.

Mr. Elzey indicated that precipitation in the Mississippi River Valley has caused the river to rise, and stay that way, for an extended period of time. The Bonnet Carre Spillway has been open longer this year than in any other. Inspections of potential problem areas, called 'hot spots' by the Corps, along the levee system are conducted daily, stretching the Corps' already over-taxed resources. Recent funding, though, has allowed remedial work to be performed by the Corps, reducing the 'hot spots' requiring inspection by half since 2011. The wind, rain, and storm surge anticipated from Tropical Storm Barry caused great concern about overtopping of the levees, given the high river stage. Luckily, Barry was not as strong as feared and none of the potential flooding scenarios occurred.

The river is anticipated to begin a gradual fall over the next few months, allowing the Corps to focus less on potential emergencies and more on day-to-day priorities. On that hopeful note, Mr. Elzey and the Corps were warmly applauded for their efforts.

ADOPT A SCHOOL Proposals

Corey Gautreaux

The primary purpose of the Louisiana Section Adopt-A-School program is to select an elementary or middle school to which the Louisiana Section will award a cash donation for use at the 3rd, 4th, 5th, 6th, 7th or 8th grade level in the area of science education. It is the Louisiana Section's desire that the funds be allocated to a specific project or purpose rather than simply becoming assimilated into the school's general fund. In addition to the cash donation, the Louisiana Section also endeavors to assist the school in its

program for the year by providing Environmental Resource Guidebooks to aid teachers by providing lesson plans geared towards environmental education. The Louisiana Section will award up to \$5,000 in grants.

Completed proposals should be received (either electronically or by mail) no later than 11:59pm on Sunday, October 13, 2019.

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**CONGRATS TO THIS
YEAR'S SCHOLARSHIP
WINNERS:**

Mae Anne Manguoil
(\$5,000)
***Undergrad in
Chemical
Engineering at LSU***

Benjamin Wolf
(\$5,000)
***Undergrad in
Environmental
Engineering at LSU***

Congratulations to both of these outstanding students! In addition to the scholarship awards, each will receive a complimentary membership to the organization. We look forward to seeing both of them at upcoming events.

Scholarship Winners

Corey Gautreaux

The Louisiana Section of the Air & Waste Management Association is proud to announce this year's scholarship recipients. Not only do these students show an interest in the environmental discipline, they must also meet the following requirements to be eligible for the award:

1. Must be a full time student during the year of the scholarship award attending a college or university or law school located within the geographical region of the section. (Louisiana and the Sabine River Region of Eastern Texas)
2. Must be at least a Junior and no higher than Master's level graduate student during the year of the scholarship award (Fall 2019 and Spring 2020).
3. Must have at least two semesters (or three quarters) of schooling remaining at the time of the award (Minimum Fall 2019 and Spring 2020).
4. Must be pursuing a bachelor's or master's degree with the major in engineering, physical or natural science, or public health. (Note: Those pursuing a degree in computer science are not eligible.) Students pursuing a law degree are eligible. Doctoral candidates are not eligible.
5. Must show through course work, projects, personal interest, etc., a desire to promote air pollution control and/or solid or hazardous waste management.
6. Must have at least an overall 3.00 or higher on a scale of 4.00 including all coursework through the last completed semester.
7. Must be interviewed by Louisiana Section representatives.

Young Professional Golf Tournament Proceeds

Caitlin Morrison

The Louisiana Young Professional group hosted its 9th Annual Young Professionals Golf Tournament at Pelican Point Golf Course and raised just under \$10,000. It was the first-time tournament sold out of sponsorships and player spots! Proceeds were used to sponsor two young professionals to attend the Annual Conference and Expo (ACE) in Quebec City, June 25 through 28, 2019. Bethany Frink (Trinity Consultants) and Lisa Rosensteel (Westlake Chemical) were the two sponsorship recipients. They provided their thoughts on attending ACE as YPs while representing the Louisiana Section:

“I thoroughly enjoyed attending ACE 2019 in Quebec City. The YP events made the large conference seem a little smaller, allowing me to make lasting connections. The YP networking events and socials gave me the opportunity to see friendly faces. The YP events, and conference in whole, provided professional training, networking, and of course, learning. I would highly recommend everyone who is eligible to apply for the YP sponsorship through their local section and attend if possible. You won’t regret it!” -Bethany Frink

“I would say that the conference was especially valuable from a networking perspective. I was able to meet many other young professionals, like myself, and learn about their career paths as well as their job responsibilities. We were able to share our own experiences and knowledge of any challenges we have faced in our jobs. It was nice to see such a wide variety of attendees, from all different backgrounds coming together to learn about a common theme. Thank you A&WMA LA for giving me such a wonderful opportunity!” Lisa Rosensteel

Without the support from our generous sponsors we would not be able to support the YPs that put so much time and hard work into the Louisiana section keeping it alive and ever evolving. The tournament also raised \$500 from mulligans that was used to support a Louisiana science teacher to buy bird feeders for the windows outside of the classroom. The goal with the feeders will be to teach the students about the beautiful birds that live and travel through Baton Rouge. Thank you to our competitive golf teams and unsure golfers who donate to support a local teacher and their passion for environmental education.

On the Move

- Did you recently move companies?
- Does your company have any exciting mergers or relocations to share?
- We want to know about it – email the committee to have your new position announced!

MEET YOUR REGULATOR - Maggie Turner

Ashley Viator

Read below to “Meet Your Regulator”, where we will introduce you to various staff you may encounter through the Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality. Our latest interviewee is Ms. Maggie Turner, Air Enforcement Manager in the Office of Environmental Compliance (OEC) / Enforcement Division.

How long have you been with the agency, and in what capacity?

11 years. My career at DEQ began in 2008 when I worked for four years as a Water Enforcement Environmental Scientist (ES), two years as an Air Enforcement ES, five years as a multi-media Enforcement Supervisor (hazardous and solid waste, underground storage tanks, and radiation), and I was recently promoted to Air Enforcement Manager.

Name functions/circumstances where you interact with members of the regulated community.

In Enforcement, we directly assist facilities in returning to compliance when violations have been identified through inspections, file reviews, self-reporting, etc. We also work with facilities to address penalties for these violations, when warranted. We communicate through written correspondence, phone calls, and emails, and often participate in meetings to discuss issues that have been identified.

What do you enjoy most about your job?

I find it very interesting to learn about the different types of industries we work with, and I enjoy seeing the benefits to the environment and communities that are made through our work.

Most interesting little known fact about yourself:

I love to garden and enjoy canning the vegetables from my garden and making jams and jellies.

If you could be anywhere in the world right now, where would you be?

In a cabin on a quiet lake with my husband and two children, some place where the temperature is less than 80 degrees.

Give us your best advice for young professionals:

Get involved in the “extra” stuff; volunteer for the committee, take the class that isn’t required, join the task force, etc. Important connections are often made while working on these projects, and people remember who they worked with on the “extra” things.



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The Louisiana Section is one of nearly 140 geographical member units of the Air & Waste Management Association. As such, we plan, organize and present activities that focus on local and regional environmental issues. This includes holding luncheon and dinner meetings, technical seminars, annual conferences, workshops, continuing education courses, and social outings. We publish a newsletter, launch outreach activities and provide funds for scholarships. For more information about the A&WMA, [visit the A&WMA website](#)



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**PRELIMINARY PROGRAM
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SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 16, 2019

OPENING SESSION

- 7:30 REGISTRATION & BREAKFAST**
SPONSORED BY: 
- 8:30 WELCOME & OPENING REMARKS**
 Jennifer Tullier & Tim Desselles, Conference Chairs
- 8:45 KEYNOTE ADDRESSES**
 Ken McQueen, EPA Region VI
 Tokesha Collins-Wright, Louisiana Chemical Association
- 10:00 BREAK SPONSORED BY:** 
 Engineering Progress
- 10:30 AIR PERMIT DIVISION ADMINISTRATOR BRIEFING**
 Bryan Johnston, LDEQ
- 11:00 CANCER INCIDENCE AND MORTALITY RATES IN LOUISIANA'S INDUSTRIAL CORRIDOR**
 Lauren Maniscalco, Louisiana Tumor Registry
- 11:30 LUNCH SPONSORED BY:** 
LA SECTION BUSINESS UPDATES
 Jessica Miller, LA Section Chair

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

- 1:00 AIR QUALITY REGULATIONS: UPDATES AND RULE REVISIONS***
 Dr. Shagun Bhat, Geosyntec
- 1:30 TEXAS AND LOUISIANA'S STRUGGLES WITH RECENT NSR POLICY CHANGES***
 Joe Ibanez & Laura Blohm, Tricord Consulting
- 2:00 KEY DEVELOPMENTS IN ENVIRONMENTAL ENFORCEMENT***
 Boyd Bryan, Jones Walker
- 2:30 EARLY REFINERY SECTOR RULE IMPLEMENTATION LESSONS***
 Gary Daves & Larry Poche, Tricord Consulting
- 3:00 BREAK SPONSORED BY:** 
- 3:30 USING MERPS GUIDANCE FOR OZONE + PM_{2.5} PERMITTING***
 Christine Haman & Shreyas Erapalli, Trinity Consultants
- 4:00 EXTREME WEATHER: PLANNING FOR THE NEW NORMAL***
 Sue Kemball-Cook, Ramboll
- 4:30 ADJOURN FOR SOCIAL**

LOUISIANA SECTION OCTOBER SOCIAL

Heavy hors d'oeuvres and drinks served at **EDGE** beginning at 4:30pm.

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EDGE IS LOCATED IN THE BACK OF THE CASINO FLOOR

EARLY REGISTRATION INFORMATION

Early registration is completed online through October 11th via <https://laawma.wufoo.com/forms/2019-early-awma-conference-registration>. Please call L'Auberge at (225) 215-7777 and use the room block code RANWM19 for a discounted rate on hotel reservations.

			FULL CONFERENCE	SINGLE DAY	SOCIAL EVENT
MEMBER	EARLY		350	250	35
CONFERENCE PARTICIPANT	EARLY		375	275	50
EXHIBITOR ONLY			225	175	50
NON-MEMBER	EARLY		535	435	55
AGENCY & STUDENT	EARLY		80	45	10


Sponsorship opportunities are available at <https://laawma.wufoo.com/forms/2019-conference-sponsorship-registration>. Contact anyone on the committee to get involved.

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SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 17, 2019

ASSEMBLY ADDRESS

- 7:30 **REGISTRATION AND BREAKFAST** SPONSORED BY: 
- 8:30 **LDEQ UPDATE:** Dr. Chuck Carr Brown, LDEQ
- 9:15 **NOTES TO MY YOUNGER SELF:** Henry Graham†
- 10:00 **BREAK** SPONSORED BY: **OPPORTUNITY AVAILABLE**

SESSION 1: AIR REGULATORY TOPICS

- 10:30 **ASSESSING THE AFFORDABLE CLEAN ENERGY RULE***
Bliss Higgins, Ramboll
Chuck Barlow, Entergy
- 11:00 **WHAT CAN CAR FOR SOCMI DO FOR YOU***
Nelwyn Mohrmann, Tricord Consulting
- 11:30 **BFM FOR ETHYLENE PRODUCERS – THE LATEST ON THE ETHYLENE MACT***
Gary Daves, Tricord Consulting

SESSION 2: YOUNG PROFESSIONAL

- 10:30 **OVERVIEW OF CONTROL DEVICE TECHNOLOGIES**
Michael Carbon, Ramboll
- 11:00 **ALL ABOUT CEMS—PART A**
Mindi Faubion & Paul Hollis, Providence Engineering and Environmental
Brian Fowler, Environmental Systems Corporation
- 11:30 **ALL ABOUT CEMS—PART B**
Paula Metz, Alliance Source Testing
Tim Kuiken, M&C Tech Group

12:00—1:00 LUNCH

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SESSION 3: MULTI-MEDIA

- 1:00 **HOLISTIC SOLUTIONS TO MANAGING AND REDUCING PFAS***
Michael Hicks, Ramboll
- 1:30 **LDEQ ADOPTION OF THE HAZARDOUS WASTE GENERATOR IMPROVEMENT RULE**
Mike Hahn, LDEQ
- 2:00 **REFRIGERANT COMPLIANCE: HOW THIS IMPACTS EVERYONE**
Christine Haman, Trinity Consultants
- 2:30 **BREAK** SPONSORED BY: **OPPORTUNITY AVAILABLE**
- 3:00 **CAM PLANS**
Tim Desselles, SLR
- 3:30 **ODOR COMPLAINT AND MAML DEPLOYMENT**
Jason Meyers and Brian Fontenot, LDEQ
- 4:00 **ADJOURN FOR YP CONFERENCE UNWIND**

SESSION 4: YOUNG PROFESSIONAL

- 1:00 **MODELING 101**
Tim Desselles, SLR
- 1:30 **TIPS FOR LEGAL AND TECHNICAL WRITING**
Anna Scardulla, LSU Law Center
Laura Fennell, Shintech
- 2:00 **DOING BUSINESS WITH LDEQ—THE BASICS**
Cheryl Nolan, LDEQ
- 2:30 **BREAK** SPONSORED BY: **OPPORTUNITY AVAILABLE**
- 3:00 **ETHICS**
Dr. Armando Corripio, LSU School of Chemical Engineering
- 4:00 **ADJOURN FOR YP CONFERENCE UNWIND**

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All conference attendees invited.

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