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President's Corner - Building Sustainable Communities – 2008 *by Jeff Burkhardt*

WELCOME TO another activity packed FWQA year. "Building Sustainable Communities" is our theme for 2008. Our guest lecturers and out reach efforts will focus on broadening our individual understanding and involvement in the promotion of local and global sustainable awareness, programming and actions. Building on last year's leadership and successful events our membership is committed to the continuation of our extension into the community sharing our collective expertise and efforts in a quantifiable manner.

This holiday addition of our Newsletter is packed with a few of the many highlight activities that has keep our membership hopping, both as leaders and participants in both local and national events since 1 September.

The first quarter included kicking off the implementation of our 2007-2008 year including: Congressional Breakfast and Briefing with Congressman Bolard - Jack K Kooyoomjian and Ken Kirk, NACWA's Clean Water America Gala – Ken Kirk and Dawn Kristof/Champney; our FWQA Annual Scholarship Golf Tournament Ken Kirk and Dawn Kristof/Champney; everyone's final preparation and attendance at WEFTEC including workshop management - Jim Wheeler and Tim Schmitt; House of

Delegates meeting – Mike Sullivan; presentations - Jim Wheeler, Tim Schmitt and Jeff Burkhardt and the many national committee meetings - et al. The "Water is Life", "Water for People" and the "Liquid Assets" programs all hold special opportunities for our members in 2008. San Diego also afforded our Officers the opportunity to formally sign the FWQA – Chesapeake Section Memorandum of Understanding.

Approaching quickly are the following program events:

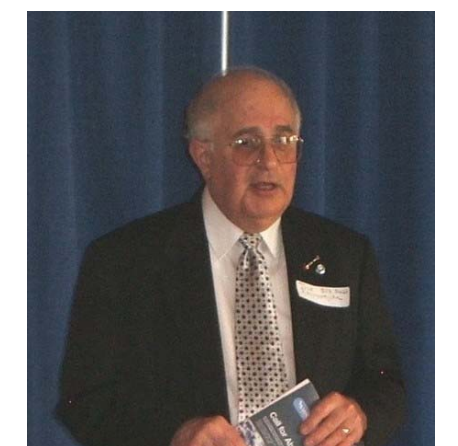
- Jerry Johnson, General Manager of DC WASA, January 17th
- Tracy Mehan, February 14th
- Future City Competition - National Finals Washington, DC
- Uwe Brandis, Urban Land Institute & Wendy Goldsmith, Pres. Bioengineering, March 20th
- Susan Adams, Weston Solutions, April 17
- Awards luncheon @ National Press Club – May 22
- Annual Picnic – Annapolis - June 15
- National World Water Day – FWQA & Water For People Workshop

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Rick Thoesen's Presentation to FWQA was Well Received *by K. Jack Kooyoomjian, Ph.D*

On November 29, 2007 at the Channel Inn/Pier 7 Restaurant on the Anacostia Waterfront in Washington, DC, the FWQA membership got to hear a talk which focused on the FWQA's theme of this year focusing on "Building Sustainable Communities." Rick Thoesen, Deputy General Manager of Loudoun County's Sanitation Authority (LCSA) was right on the mark with his presentation entitled "Water and Sewer Sustainability in a Competitive Economic Corridor: Loudoun County's Challenge for the Future." Rick, has 40 years of diversified practice in environmental and civil engineering specializing in the water and wastewater disciplines. His current professional experience includes providing water and sewer service in one of the fastest growing areas in the nation.

Rick clearly explained how Loudoun County is coping to provide water and sewer service to new businesses and thousands of new homes, while at the same time planning for the future and protecting public health and the environment and dealing with the Chesapeake Bay cleanup initiatives. Rick's presentation clearly focused on how the LCSA is balancing sustainable growth with operating a utility in a highly competitive economic corridor in Northern Virginia. He provided insights into the numerous challenges facing the LCSA, and the rest of the rapidly growing Northern Virginia communities, but with an emphasis on how Loudoun County's land uses, with its predominantly rural character, is also being respected while they deal with the challenges of growth.



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Clean Water America Gala – Clean & Safe Water for Future Generations *By Adam Krantz Managing Director of Government & Public Affairs National Association of Clean Water Agencies (NACWA)*



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The inaugural *Clean Water America Gala – Clean & Safe Water for Future Generations*, held on Sept. 18, 2007 in Washington, D.C., was a huge success. NACWA took the lead in organizing the Gala, which was attended by approximately 450 people and provided a unique opportunity for organizations to spotlight their support for clean and safe water. With the 35th anniversary of the Clean Water Act as a backdrop, the *Clean Water America Gala* served not only as a celebration of the tremendous record of achievement in the clean and safe water arena, but also as the launching point for new, robust, and collaborative alliances between all clean and safe water stakeholders to address the daunting challenges of the 21st century.

The Gala's honorary chairs were former Senate Majority Leader and chief of staff for President Ronald Reagan, Howard Baker, Jr. (R-Tenn.) and Rep. Eddie Bernice Johnson (D-Texas), Chair of the House Water Resources and Environment Subcommittee.

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Prince Sultan Bin Abdulaziz

INTERNATIONAL PRIZE FOR WATER 2006-2008

Wessex Institute of Technology is pleased to be cooperating with the Prince Sultan Bin Abdulaziz International Prize for Water. This prestigious International Prize consists of five different awards in separate fields of water resources:

Surface Water: Topic – Sedimentation Control in Surface Water Systems

Ground Water: Topic – Exploration and Assessment of Ground Water

Alternative (Non-Traditional) Water Resources: Topic – Innovative Methods and Systems Desalination

Water Resources Management and Protection: Topic – Water Demand Management in Urban Areas

The prize for each of these fields will be around \$150,000.

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A special new **Creativity Prize**, worth more than a quarter of a million dollars has been added to the above awards.

The **Creativity Prize** will be awarded to any original work (research, invention, technique etc) which is considered a breakthrough in any water-related field. The work must be practically applicable, economically feasible and environmentally friendly.

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Winners will also receive a gold medallion, a trophy and a certificate will be presented at a special award ceremony. The Prize Council will announce the winners in September 2008.

All relevant details for nominations can be found on the Prize website at www.psipw.org. For further information contact tnolan-shaw@btconnect.com.

Nomination deadline: End of December 2007.

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- Sustainability Conference in DC sponsored by WEF & EPA June 25-27
 - Energy Conservation and Climate Change Adaptation Green Infrastructure and stormwater
 - Watershed approaches to water management

Scheduled events without confirmed dates include:

- Jeff Corbin Governor's office Virginia's State "Mid-term Report"
- Aaron Salsburg, Department of State
- Special / Embassy Events
 - o Kuwait
 - o Australian - Dr. Gorman
 - o German
 - o Canada
 - o Sweden

Stay tuned – get involved – make a difference and be a tool for positive change. Your FQWA associates are engaged – join in.

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*Merry Christmas
And Happy New
Year!*

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Senator Baker focused on the bipartisanship that led to the passage of the Clean Water Act in 1972 and Chairwoman Johnson discussed the need to reignite that kind of bipartisan to address the growing national water infrastructure funding gap.

Atlanta Mayor Shirley Franklin, in photograph to the right, was welcomed by Chairman Vincent C. Gray of the D.C. City Council and delivered a rousing keynote address. Mayor Franklin called on the federal government to recommit to clean water funding and stated that while she did not choose the title of Atlanta's "Sewer Mayor" she takes great pride in it. Mayor Franklin was also honored for her work making clean and safe water a priority in Atlanta with the Clean Water America Gala Award for Local Service.

This was a spectacular evening for those in attendance and set the stage for ongoing clean and safe water progress. The event also brought together a diverse group of association and industry leaders whose collaboration will be essential to achieving the common goal of sustainable clean and safe water for future generations.



Atlanta Mayor Shirley Franklin delivered a rousing keynote address.

2007 FWQA SCHOLARSHIPS AWARDED

by Sharon Nye

THIS YEAR four outstanding applicants were chosen by the FWQA Scholarship Committee judges on Saturday, May 5 as recipients of four scholarship awards, totaling \$7,000. A \$500 award was given to an additional winner. The judging committee consisted of Sharon Nye, WWEMA (chair), Sheila Olem (AFLAC), Barry Benroth, U.S. EPA, and Christian Davies-Venn, Peer Consultants. In total, scholarship applicants represented Washington, D.C., and surrounding areas of Maryland and Virginia. Applicants were rated on academic achievement, essay, references, extra-curricular activities related to the environment, and overall presentation. This year was truly a challenge for the judges due to the high caliber

of applicants and their environmental awareness relating to water quality.

The 2007 FWQA scholarship winners are: Peter Bojo of Thomas Jefferson High School for Science and Technology in Alexandria, VA (President's award \$2500); Melissa Tinling of Gaithersburg High School in Gaithersburg, MD (Richard Barber award \$1500); Melanie Wong of Poolesville High School, Poolesville, MD (Harvey Olem award \$1500); and Brittany Wooten of Osbourn Park High School, Manassas, VA (Gordon McCallum award \$1500). An additional \$500 check was awarded to Brian Stebner of Chantilly High School, Chantilly, VA.

FWQA's 16th Annual Golf Tournament a Swinging Success!

By Dawn Champney

September 21 was a glorious day by any measure as members and guests of FWQA converged at Bretton Woods Country Club in Germantown, Maryland, for the 16th annual Clean Water Scholarship Golf Tournament. Forty golfers took part in this year's tournament representing a cross-section of the water quality profession, from federal government personnel to consulting engineers and industry association executives.

Though none were able to master the \$25,000 hole-in-one, there were winners all around as participants won over \$5,000 in prizes during the raffle held at the reception and barbeque following the tournament.

The proceeds from FWQA's annual golf tournament fund the Association's scholarship program, supporting local area high school graduates pursuing college degrees in engineering and environmental sciences.

FWQA extends its deep appreciation to the following corporations, organizations and individuals who sponsored this year's tournament:

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