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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Dear Solid Waste Professionals,
I hope you all have been enjoying your summer and staying out of the heat.

I'm keeping my column short this month, but I do want to mention a few things.

First, I want to wish Deb Garrett a very happy retirement. Deb retired at the end of June from Macon County Environmental Management and she served as an At-Large representative on the ILCSWMA Board for several years. Happy trails Deb!

Second, I want to make sure everyone has our 25th Annual Conference on their calendar. See

page two of this newsletter for more details. We hope you will join us in celebrating this milestone.

Third, please consider putting your name in for consideration of an At-Large position on the ILCSWMA Board (details on page two). These one-year terms are appointed by the Board and help us accomplish all that we do each year.

Last, but not least: please nominate a fellow deserving member for an award (see below). Let's recognize those that selflessly make a difference.

Until next time....

All my best, Marlin Hartman

ILCSWMA AWARD NOMINATIONS SOUGHT

Each year the ILCSWMA Board of Directors bestows the Distinguished Service Award upon one nominee that has made outstanding contributions to the Association and the management of solid waste in Illinois.

ILCSWMA also established a new award in 2005 - the Lifetime Achievement Award. The Board may bestow this award upon one or more nominees that are retiring, or leaving the solid waste industry or Illinois, and whose work has made a significant impact on their community and the Association. This award is not necessarily given out each year.

Nominees for either award must be employed by a full or affiliate member organization. Nominations for either award should be submitted via email to Deb LeVault by September 1. No nomination forms are necessary; please submit the name and affiliation of both the nominated person and the individual submitting the nomination, as well as supporting information such as how long the nominee has worked in the solid waste field and some of their qualities and major accomplishments.

ASSOCIATION NEWS

25TH ANNUAL CONFERENCE REGISTRATION OPEN SEPTEMBER 4

ILCSWMA reminds members that our quarter-century conference will be held at the Wyndham Hotel in downtown Springfield on October 26-27, 2017.

In 1992, when dozens of solid waste management officials gathered for what would become the Association's first annual conference, no one would have guess we'd still be going strong 25 years later. The Association itself was only just an idea at the time, and wasn't incorporated until the following year. But here we are, having weathered highs and lows, but always respecting what is most important: providing our members with the information and connections they need to make their daily jobs easier.

So please mark your calendars to attend this milestone event! Registration will be open on the ILCSWMA website by September 4. If you'd like to book your lodging, you can do so now at <https://www.wyndhamhotels.com/groups/il-county-solid-waste-management-assn>.

You must book your room by October 4, in order to be eligible for the group rate. of \$70/night plus tax.

If you have questions about the conference, please contact Kerri Gale, VP & Conference Coordinator, at vp@ilcswma.org. Also, sponsorship information can be found on page three of this newsletter.

UPCOMING ILCSWMA ELECTION

The contact person at each full member organization will receive an electronic ballot by email for the election of ILCSWMA executive

officers. Every two years officer elections take place, with regional Board members elected in the years in between. The Association's bylaws state that a slate of officer candidates will be approved by the Board of Directors and presented to the membership in ballot form. Affiliate member organizations are not eligible to vote in elections.

On May 31, the Board approved the following slate of candidates for consideration by the membership:

*President - Marlin Hartman, Kendall County
Vice President - Kerri Gale, Jackson County
Treasurer - Becky Tracy, Perry County
Secretary - Jennifer Jarland, Kane County*

Mr. Hartman, Ms. Gale and Ms. Tracy have all served in their roles for the past two years. Ms. Jarland has served as an At-Large representative to the Board for the past year. The Board felt this slate of candidates offered much experience and vision for the next two years.

Spaces are available on the ballot forms for write-in candidates, as well. Any write-in candidates should be employed by a full member organization. Please take a moment to complete your electronic ballot and return it by the date indicated.

In addition, the bylaws require that two individuals be appointed to one-year terms as At-Large Board members. These individuals must also be employed by a full member organization. Any eligible individual that would like to be considered for appointment to an At-Large Board position, or would like more information, should contact the ILCSWMA President or Secretary by September 30.

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CONFERENCE SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

2017 ILCSWMA Annual Conference Sponsorship Opportunities

The ILCSWMA Board of Directors would like to invite your company to consider being a sponsor at the 25th Annual Conference. Our conference is October 26th & 27th and will be held at the Wyndham Hotel in downtown Springfield.

ILCSWMA does not include your typical exhibit hall at our Annual Conference. We partner with a select few sponsors and focus attendees' attention on them, so you are not lost in a sea of vendors.

Sponsorship Levels

\$500 Sponsorship, Includes (this level covers a morning or afternoon break for conference attendees)

- Ability to set up small display.
- Name and logo added to ILCSWMA conference webpage (sponsor provides logo to us).
- Half page ad (black and white) in conference binder and one full page ad (color) in an issue of "Illinois Solid Waste News" newsletter (sponsor provides ad to us).
- Mention by the President during conference proceedings (during Welcoming Remarks and Conference Wrap-Up, at a minimum).

\$1,000 Sponsorship, Includes (this level covers a breakfast or lunch for conference attendees)

- Ability to set up small display.
- Name and logo added to ILCSWMA conference webpage (sponsor provides logo to us).
- Full page ad (black and white) in conference binder and a full page ad (color) in two issues of "Illinois Solid Waste News" newsletter (sponsor provides ad to us).
- Mention by the President during conference proceedings (during Welcoming Remarks and Conference Wrap-Up, at a minimum).
- **One Free Conference Registration (\$125 value)**
- **One-Year ILCSWMA Membership (\$75 value)**

\$1,500 Sponsorship includes (this level covers the networking hour or trivia night for conference attendees)

- Ability to set up small display.
- Name and logo added to ILCSWMA conference webpage (sponsor provides logo to us).
- Full page ad (black and white) in conference binder and a full page ad (color) in three issues of "Illinois Solid Waste News" newsletter (sponsor provides ad to us). Also receive a spotlight article on your organization featured prominently in an issue of "Illinois Solid Waste News".
- Mention by the President during conference proceedings (during Welcoming Remarks and Conference Wrap-Up, at a minimum).
- **Two Free Conference Registrations (\$250 value)**
- **One-Year ILCSWMA Membership (\$75 value)**

If you are interested in becoming a sponsor at the 25th Annual conference please contact Kerri Gale, Vice President, ILCSWMA, at vp@ilcswma.org or call 618-684-3143, ext. 136.

MEMBER NEWS

KANE COUNTY

The Annual Kane County Recycling Extravaganza was very well attended this year, with 1,288 residents served over the four hour event on Saturday July 8th. The event flowed smoothly and no one had to wait for more than a few minutes to have their items unloaded.

The extravaganza included document shredding, and accepted for recycling: electronics, books, paint, bicycles, fluorescent tubes, mobility devices such as walkers and wheelchairs, textiles, batteries, garden tools and Styrofoam.



“I want to thank the Kane County Office of

Emergency Management for their stellar assistance directing and managing traffic for these large events. This work is difficult and often thankless. But without them it would not be possible for residents to be able to drive as quickly and safely through the event.” said Jennifer Jarland, Kane County’s Recycling Program Coordinator and event manager. “Thank you also to all of the many old and new volunteers and also to the partners who provided excellent service! We truly could not do it with out you!”

For more information, contact Jennifer Jarland, Kane County Recycling Coordinator at recycle@countyofkane.org, or 630-208-3841.

MACON COUNTY

The unpredictability of large-scale, drop-off electronics collections is being managed through a registration system that was launched by Macon County Environmental Management. Residents who wish to drop-off electronics at the department’s 2017 events register for an appointment by logging onto an on-line system, submitting a mail-in form or calling the office. At the time of registration, a fee of \$10 for each TV/monitor is collected. In exchange for each fee, a coupon of equal value is granted for a discount on the purchase of a rain barrel from the department.

Overall, residents seem pleased with the registration system, since long lines and wait times have been eliminated at the collection events. Although not all residents were initially enthusiastic about paying fees, many have come to appreciate that their financial contributions have allowed the department to offer a greater number of electronics collections in 2017.



A large-scale two-day event was held in April along with a one day event in June. Smaller-scale events, limited to 50 to 70 registrants, were held in July and are being scheduled on a regular basis.

See more Member News on page five.

MEMBER NEWS *continued*

MADISON COUNTY

The first edition of the Madison County Planning & Development Department's "Small Green Steps" was sent in June 2017. The publication is intended for residents and provides one suggestion each month for new ways to make positive, practical changes while making wise use of resources without being overwhelmed.

Click [here](#) to learn more about June's topic - Styrofoam. The publication's distribution is open to anyone. Interested individuals should contact the Madison County Resource Management staff at kspetzing@co.madison.il.us to be added to the email distribution list.

CITY OF MONMOUTH

The City of Monmouth recently went to automated container pickup at the curb for recycling and garbage. All carts are #2 plastic and totally recyclable.



Three years ago recycling pickup went from 18 gallon bins to either a 48, 64 or 96 gallon cart supplied by Eagle Enterprises Recycling Inc. of Galva, IL. A free extra cart is available, if needed, and no limit is placed on the amount of recyclable materials set out on the bi-weekly pickup.

As of June 1st 2017 Millennium Waste from Milan Ill. Began picking up garbage in 35, 65 or 95 gallon carts.



Every home received a cart of their choosing. Extra bags will be picked up if they have a \$2.00 sticker on them. Extra carts can be rented for \$3.00 a month. The result of this switch over to total carts has meant no overweight complaints, safer conditions for the haulers, NO trash being scattered around by critters and resulting in a base limit to the amount of garbage set out weekly; if you have more, you pay more.

In other news... The City of Monmouth continues their Shred Days, holding three events a year. The most recent one was July 22nd. These events have no limit, and are open to any resident or business. Confidential Shredding collects the material and shreds it at their facility in Peoria. Using off-site shredding was chosen because their capacity is much greater and their cost is less.

See more Member News on page six.

INDUSTRY NEWS

NATIONAL PRESCRIPTION DRUG TAKE BACK DAY OCTOBER 28

The Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) has announced its second 2016 date for the [National Drug Take-Back Initiative](#). Participating law enforcement agencies will be collecting unwanted medications for disposal on Saturday, October 28 from 10am - 2pm.

During the spring 2017 event, nationwide almost 5,500 collection sites (146 in IL) took in about 450 tons -- or 900,386 pounds -- of leftover medications, including almost 22 tons in Illinois (4th most overall). Government agencies promote take-back as one of the best strategies for reducing the health and environmental impacts of unwanted drugs.



USDA SOLID WASTE GRANTS AVAILABLE

USDA Office of Rural Development is accepting applications for Solid Waste Management Grants between October 1 through December 31, 2017. This program helps reduce or eliminate pollution of water resources through funding for organizations that provide technical assistance or training to improve the planning and management of solid waste sites. Eligible applicants include State and local governments, non-profits, and academic institutions. Eligible areas include rural areas and towns with 10,000 or fewer people.

Funds may be used to develop plans or provide training or technical assistance. Matching funds are not required.

For more information visit: <https://www.rd.usda.gov/programs-services/solid-waste-management-grants>.

MEMBER NEWS continued

CITY OF SPRINGFIELD

The City of Springfield has been working to increase their community based programs and materials geared toward reuse and recycling education, as well as creating new or redesigning physical programs to help increase material recovery and decrease landfilled waste. Some of these programs include large item pickup services and electronic waste drop off collection services available to all City residents through local organizations and/or businesses.

The City is also in the design and collection phase of creating a solid waste diversion rate database system that will track current trends and help to identify areas for improvement. Although it will be a long road before the corner is turned to zero waste, the City of Springfield is dedicated to long range planning to increase the City's diversion rate.