



The official e-newsletter for the ND Solid Waste Management Association

## Don't Forget! Pesticide Safe Send Dates are Here...

Do your residents or communities have half used pesticides sitting around or store old containers that need proper disposal? Of course they do! Have you ever thought about getting the word out to your residents so they can participate in the **free** drop-off program? The ND Department of Agriculture has announced their "Project Safe Send" dates for the *collection of old pesticides and herbicides (and containers)*. Help

keep our communities, waterways and soil clean by bringing items to the following locations. **All events are located at the ND Department of Transportation (DOT) shops from 9 a.m. – 3 p.m.:**

- July 13: Hettinger
- July 14: Underwood
- July 15: Mohall
- July 16: Devils Lake
- July 19: Cavalier
- July 20: West Fargo (County Highway Dept. Shop)
- July 21: Jamestown
- July 22: Oakes

Project Safe Send began in 1992 to help farmers safely and legally get rid of unusable pesticides. Since then, thousands of people have brought in over half a million pounds of pesticides. That's a lot. But with the support of pesticide manufacturers, we have the funds to help get rid of more. The program accepts any pesticides (herbicides, insecticides, rodenticides and fungicides) that are old, unusable or banned--like DDT, arsenic, dieldrin, chlordane or mercury seed treatments. For more information please contact your [County Extension Agent](#) or the [North Dakota Department of Agriculture](#) at 1-800-242-7535.

## Workshop Update

The June 15<sup>th</sup> **inert landfill** workshop in Hebron, ND brought over 19 communities together, ranging from landfill operators to city commissioners, more than any other past inert workshop. Topics included compost, scrap metal, and more.

The June 22<sup>nd</sup> **meth waste** workshop in Minot drew nearly 50 attendees including haulers from both the private and public sector. With the growth of this type of waste, communities need to be aware of what to look for in their garbage.

## Conference Highlights and Reminders

- **When and Where?** September 14-16, 2004 in Grand Forks, ND
- **Location?** Ramada Inn, (701) 775-3951, ask for the ND Solid Waste Conference block of rooms to receive our special rate.
- **Will we be golfing again?** Yes! Tues., Sept. 14<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 p.m. at Kings Walk Golf Course.
- **Will there be another recreational opportunity for the non-golfers?** Yes! Options being reviewed include: clay shooting range, greenway tour and museum of frontier life.
- **How much is it?** Attendee rates are \$100 for members and \$125 for non-members. Exhibitor rates are \$350 (booth includes attendance for up to three people and a membership).
- **What about the great tours, social hour, awards banquet and entertainment?** Yes! All of these and more fun awaits you (included in the conference rate).
- **How do I find out more?** Be on the lookout for our July symposium newsletter. This will include details about the breakout sessions, board nomination openings, our scholarship opportunity, registration form and more. We've also attached a special announcement that you can **print off and pass along to your boss** to give them a "heads up". Or feel free to forward it on to others you know who haven't attended in the past.
- **Questions?** Contact Mary Aldrich at (701) 293-8428, via e-mail at [maldrich@minnkota.biz](mailto:maldrich@minnkota.biz), or visit us online at [www.ndswma.org](http://www.ndswma.org).

California



## Boeshans to Attend National Meeting in California

Angela Boeshans, the NDSWMA's Secretary/Treasurer, received a travel scholarship to attend the EPA's Jobs Through Recycling (JTR) Roundtable on September 2, 2004 in Oakland, California.

Boeshans will represent EPA Region 8 which covers North Dakota, South Dakota, Montana, Wyoming, Colorado and Utah. Each EPA Region will be sending representatives to this roundtable in order to bring together ideas and network opportunities from around the nation. Boeshans writes,

"I believe that attending this meeting will help enhance recycling opportunities and efforts, and assist in providing this information to other EPA Region 8 states. By gaining knowledge that will be shared in the areas of market development, recycling challenges, organics, measurements and more in other EPA regions, this will assist me in bringing inspiration and innovation to both North Dakota and other EPA Region 8 states. Many of the Region 8 states have annual solid waste and or recycling conferences. This information could be provided through the EPA's network of contacts by mail, follow-up calls and/or a presentation at other Region 8 state conferences.

Sending a representative on behalf of EPA Region 8 creates a wonderful opportunity for our region. Providing other regions with updates, successes and challenges about our own region will assist in advancing recycling, market development and more in EPA Region 8. By offering this opportunity, the roundtable actions will aid in providing a more active role in the future of solid waste and recycling issues in our region."

## SWANA Offers MOLO Course

The Solid Waste Association of North America will be offering a MOLO (landfill operator) course in **Minneapolis**, August 19-22 at the Hyatt Regency. The cost is \$760 for non-members, \$610 for members. Motel rooms are \$109. Contact SWANA at 1-800-GO-SWANA for more information or to register. SWANA's Web site is [www.swana.org](http://www.swana.org).

## Have the Youth in your Community Done Great Things for the Environment?

- submitted by Christine Vigil, EPA Region 8 Environmental Ed. Coordinator

Do you know any K-12 graders who deserve recognition for their environmental achievement? Region 8 is **accepting applications until July 31** for the 2005 President's Environmental Youth Awards (PEYA). Since 1971, PEYA has recognized youths across the country for projects which demonstrate their commitment to the environment. Students in all 50 states and U.S. territories are invited to participate in the program.

Each Regional Office selects one regional project and invites one student and one sponsor to the White House for a special awards ceremony. Previous project winners have featured recycling programs in schools and communities; construction of nature preserves; major tree planting programs; videos, skits, and newsletters created by students that focused on environmental issues; and environmental science projects.

Encourage someone you know to apply! For more information, please contact Christine Vigil at 303.312.6605, at 1-800-227-9441 x6605 or visit our Web site at [www.epa.gov/region8/env\\_ed/youth](http://www.epa.gov/region8/env_ed/youth). The application is available on the Web site (called "PEYA Application").



## Board Member Spotlight

**Name:** Renae Beeter

**Position:** Territory Sales Manager, Waste Management

**Duties:** Assist commercial businesses and communities in managing their waste collection and recycling programs.

**Best Thing about the Job:** Working with such a diverse group of people on city councils across the state.

**Before this Job:** Worked for Laidlaw Environmental Service in ND, SD and Montana selling industrial and hazardous waste services.

**Grew up in:** Sawyer, ND

**Enjoys:** Spending time with family, traveling, water and snow skiing, scuba diving, gardening, basketball, and reading.



**Please note:** Board Member, Terry Horst's e-mail address has changed. Please update your records to reflect: [thorst@minnkota.biz](mailto:thorst@minnkota.biz)