

National Capital Area Environmental Health Association



NCAEHA Objectives

- To promote an association of Environmental Health Specialists and other Environmental Health practitioners
- To provide an opportunity and stimulus for professional growth through educational programs
- To promote high standards of qualifications and professional ethics for Environmental Health practitioners
- To strive for increased recognition of Environmental Health practitioners as a professional group rendering services vital to the health and well-being of the public
- To encourage cooperation between the private and public sectors in activities directed toward the improvement of public health and the environment
- To promote, through educational means, public awareness of environmental factors which affect the general well-being of the populace; and to otherwise promote the objectives of the National Environmental Health Association (hereinafter known as NEHA)





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President Kristen Pybus

Welcome to the 2018-2019 Annual Report! The goal of this report is to provide members with an insider view of the activities of Board members, a summary of the accomplishments for the year and a list of goals for the upcoming year. If you have any feedback regarding this report, how we may better serve you, or specific ideas on how we may accomplish our 2019-2020 goals please email me. We'd love to hear from you as some



accomplish our 2019-2020 goals, please email me. We'd love to hear from you, as some of our greatest ideas come straight from the membership!

This year, we started the year off with an in-person meeting to welcome new Board members, establish committees per the by-laws and and create a master calendar which will help us to identify roles and responsibilities as well as create a visual on completion timetables. We also discussed adopting a new membership platform which should go live later this year. We are excited and hope this membership platform will make the organization run more smoothly and be a welcome change.

In the last year, we focused on providing professional advancement and continuing educational opportunities to our members. So far this year, NCAEHA has successfully hosted two educational conferences, in Virginia in January and in DC in April. The conferences offered a diverse range of presentation topics to cover different aspects of environmental health. We are currently working on our Fall conference and hope to continue to offer presentations that are interesting and relevant to membership. If you have suggestions for presentation topics, speakers, or conference locations, please let me know and I will ensure that your suggestions are passed onto the Regional Representatives.

In June, we hosted a social event at the Caboose Brewery to provide an educational and networking opportunity for our members. Our VP's and Industry Liaison are working together to offer different opportunities over the course of the next year. Potential ideas include a processing plant tour and a water plant tour. We recently sent out an annual survey to members. Please take the survey so we can better assess the needs and wishes of the organization. We hope to send it out annually. If there is anything you would like to have added or changed please let me know.

As a non-profit organization, we work hard to be fiscally responsible and I am happy to say that the fiscal health of the organization is still well. We hope you have seen the new and exciting benefits of being a NCAEHA member and our improved presence on social media. Check us out on our webpage: https://www.ncaeha.org/, Facebook and Twitter.

Finally included in this Annual Report are introductions to our scholarship and award recipients for 2019. This year was again highly competitive and we're honored to recognize our awardees and congratulate them on their many achievements!

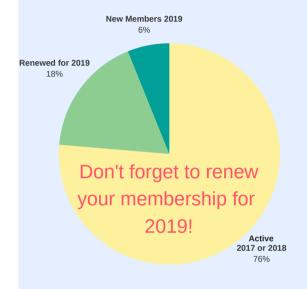
It was a wonderful year with NCAEHA! The Board is highly motivated to provide the members with more of what they want. We are always looking to make things better, more efficient and more beneficial. I am grateful to serve again as Board President and thrilled to be a part of this organization. As always, if you are interested in assisting the Board in any capacity, please let me know. We thank you for choosing to be a member of NCAEHA and for all of the valuable input and feedback. We look forward to another great year in 2020 and hope to see you at our Fall Conference in October!

Vice President of Membership

Nicole Gragasin

Hello NCAEHA Members! I'ts been an incredible first 6 months serving as your VP of Membership and I look forward to meeting you all in person over the course of the year! Upon taking on this position, I have made

person over the course of the year! Upon taking on this position, I have made it my goal to ease the way we handle membership records internally as well as revamping registration, paying dues, and communication correspondence to provide the upmost convenience for our members. To do so, I have taken the lead in adopting a new Membership Platform, via Wild Apricot to modernize our website and overall member involvement in the future! See page 13 for a brief introduction to our new Platform! I am proud to share this exciting news with you all; keep a lookout for emails regarding the new Membership Platform soon!



Behind the scenes, I have been diligently working on cleaning up and crosschecking 350+ contacts between our Membership list and email list-serve. This task has definitely been a whirlwind, but definitely worthwhile to provide accurate and comprehensive data transferred over to our new Membership Platform. Currently, we have 75 renewed members for 2019 and have gained more than a dozen newly welcomed members since last year. As always, we thank you for your continued support!

I've held 2 Social Events this year so far, both with great turnouts! Following our Spring Conference, we held our Happy Hour at Legal Sea Bar at Union Station. Last month,

together along with our VP of Programs and Professional Development, we hosted our Educational Event and Social at Caboose Brewery in Fairfax, VA. We hope to see you at our next Social Event, you're guaranteed a great time!

Our deserving Awards recipients are honored tonight thanks to the assistance of my amazing Awards Committee team including Courtney Hale, Tilde Hoff, Austyn Reis, and Lauren Yeung. We had some tough decisions to make with our outstanding nominees this year, and I thank you for taking the time out of your work schedule to take part in this recognition process.

Furthermore, I have been assisting our Director of Communications this year in various tasks as she handles tasks for the upcoming FDA Regional Conference. In addition to formatting and sending out weekly email updates, I have been creating and designing event flyers and handling our social media outlets including Twitter and Facebook, including management of our newly created Instagram account! Don't forget to follow us @ncaeha_org! Lastly, I have taken on the task to become the organizer in compiling this Annual Report and Dinner Program for you all today. ©



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Vice President of Programs & Professional Development

Allison Olguin

As a very new member of the Board, I have enjoyed the privilege of collaborating with a group of such bright and energetic ladies and have already learned so much. Your DC Rep. Lanita Carpenter, pulled off a fantastic Spring Conference in April that had some really informational and engaging presentations. We are currently in the planning stages for our Fall Conference to be held in Maryland in late October or very early November. If you have any topics you're interested in hearing about, send me an email! We are always looking for suggestions. The Maryland Representative position on the Board is currently empty, so if you live or work in MD please consider stepping up and getting more involved in this organization through that role.

We held an educational brewery tour on June 28, and are planning a tour of the Normal Cole Pollution Control Plant in September. Be on the lookout for more details! Please email me at any time with ideas and suggestions for environmental health learning opportunities.



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Educational Event June, 28 2019 Brewery Tour @ Caboose Commons, Fairfax, VA



As Secretary in 2019, I sent out monthly Board meeting calendar requests to my fellow Board members, attended monthly Board

meetings and produced meeting minutes.

I supported our representatives in planning our educational conferences. I received RSVPs and created sign-in lists for our conferences. At the conferences, I greeted and assisted with registration. After the conferences, I emailed out continuing education certificates to those who attended the conference.

I look forward to seeing you all soon at our next NCAEHA event!



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Interested in joining the NCAEHA Board?

Seeking:

MARYLAND REPRESENTATIVE

The Regional Representative takes responsibility for planning and coordinating one educational conference each year. Together with the Vice-President of Programs & Professional Advancement and the two other Representatives, they will recommend

• conference dates and locations to the Board of Directors

The Representatives will submit a panel of speakers and topics for each educational

• conference to the Board of Directors for approval

Serve to represent the interests of their geographical area -- Maryland, on the

- Board of Directors
- Each Representative serves on the Program and Education Committee

Treasurer

Victoria Griffith

Hello all! The current 2019 Treasurer's Annual Report is as follows:

Largest expenditure for this fiscal year - will be sending a delegate to

- NEHA \$1900.00.
- 2018: The operating budget from January 1 2018 to Dec 2018 was projected at 9725.00 and our actual Income was \$9600.00. The shortfall was due to missing membership fees by \$460.00 and Annual Dinner attendance fees by \$400.000 from projected.
- The total expenses for the fiscal year were excellent as we ran (\$2791.91) under projected spending allocations. The main contributors to this savings were not sending a delegate to NEHA (1500.00) and we did not pay for pool course (1500.00).
- Overall our net income for the Jan 1 to Dec 31 time frame was positive at \$5652.00.
- A large task for NCAEHA and the Treasurer will be the accounting management for the FDA regional conference. A separate checking account has been set up and money is coming in from Pay Pal and then being moved over to the specified bank account. Weekly finance reports are going to the meeting planning committee.
- We have started to zero out the pay pal account after each meeting and certain time frame with the FDA meeting registrations.

Looking for an Assistant Treasurer -

Who may want to be interested in taking over as Treasurer for the next term. If you can use an excell spread sheet and you can follow a check list - all

• you need is the interest and we will get you trained.

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THERE HAS BEEN AN
OVERALL INCREASE IN
OUR ACCOUNTS BY

\$1520.42 DUE TO:

NCAEHA CHECKING IS UP DUE TO THE ZEROING OUT OF PAY PAL

CHECKING ACCOUNT: \$9,346.47

SCHOLARSHIP FUND: **\$14,201.96**

PAYPAL ACCOUNT: \$0

AS OF MAY 2019

SCHOLARSHIP FUND

IS UP BY

+\$ 2000.32

VA Representative

Erin Miller

Hello everyone! Again I want to thank you all for allowing me to serve as your Virginia Representative. It is an honor to not only me, but to our entire



Board to represent such a great group of Environmental Health professionals. As always, the Virginia Representative is responsible for hosting the Winter Educational Conference. This January we changed up our location, and hosted our conference at the Fairfax County Health Department, in Fairfax. We had a great turnout and swore in new and returning Board Members that were elected. Our conference featured speakers from a variety of EH related programs from DC Health, the USAF, and Fairfax Health Department. We also were lucky to have some amazing speakers from IWasPoisoned.com, Hearn Kirkwood and Environmental Health Leadership Partners. It was a diverse group, and I think everyone enjoyed the conference.

Winter 2019

AntimicrobialResistance(AMR)andSexuallyTransmittedInfections(STI)
By Maj. Trinette Flowers-Torres, USAF

Washington, DC, Rat Riddance Initiative
By Gerard Brown, Program Manager, Rodent and Vector Control
Division, DC Health

Food Safety in the Age of Social Media

By Patrick Quade, Founder/CEO & Colin Finan, Director of Government
Relations & Business - IWas Poisoned.com

ProduceRecallsfromtheManufacturingPerspective
By Greg Kraft, General Manager, Hearn Kirkwood

Rabies: A Public Health Perspective

By Bryant Bullock, Environmental Health Specialist III, Fairfax County HD

What If?
Bob Custard, CEO - Environmental Health Leadership Partners, LLC

My goals for the remainder of my term, are to continue to work with our members and the Board to make our Association one that provides you with great conferences, professional development opportunities, and the chance to grow and network. Please don't hesitate to reach out to myself, or another Board member If there is something that you want to see, or if you know someone who you think would make an excellent speaker. I can't wait to see you all at future conferences and events. Please don't hesitate to reach out via email, phone or in person if you see me!





DC Representative Lanita Carpenter

Hi NCAEHA members! It has been an honor serving as Representative for the Washington DC area. This was my 2nd year with my fellow board

members and I'm excited to be a part of this team.

In the Spring, we were able to gather four great speakers. Several officials from DC Health wanted to participate in the DC Spring Educational Conference, so we were very lucky to have some of my colleagues volunteer this year and present a variety of environmental health topics including Cottage Foods and Plan Review. In addition to DC Health, we had the CEO of Portico PR and the National Pest Management Association join us at the conference where we had the opportunity to hear about presentation skills, bed bugs, and pests in food establishments.

Pop-Up Workshop: A Path to Better Presentations

By Meghan Dotter- CEO Portico PR

Cottage Foods

By Lanita Carpenter, Sanitarian, DC Health

Bed Bug Control Down To A Science

By Dr. Brittany Campbell, National Pest Management Association

Common Pests Associated with Food Establishments

By Dr. Brittany Campbell, National Pest Management Association

Plan Review

By Bruce Flippens, Sanitarian, DC Health

Lastly, I wanted to say thank you to all of our fantastic speakers and our NCAEHA for attending our Spring Educational Conference. I am excited for the upcoming year and for what is to come. If you have any speaker suggestions or questions, feel free to contact me at the email listed below!



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Director of Communications

Austyn Ries

Now that I have transitioned into the position of Director of Communications, I am ready to get to work on new and exciting endeavors for NCAEHA. Since starting earlier this year, promoting our organization has been at the core of my



responsibilities. Bringing awareness to NCAEHA and keeping our social media updated has been at the forefront of my workload. By continuing posting interesting content and engaging our current followers and members I believe it will continue to draw in a bigger audience. Something different that NCAEHA has done this year is to co-host the FDA Central Region Retail Food Seminar. This is a great step forward in expanding our presence. In the months to come I plan on highlighting upcoming events on our Facebook and Twitter. Don't forget to check out our Instagram (@NCAEHA_org) The most helpful thing you can do as members is share, like and comment on our social media posts! This will help show our members are active and encourage others to participate! I look forward to what the months will bring ahead of us. I am open to new ideas so if you have any please feel free to email me.

Don't forget to please follow us and bookmark the following:

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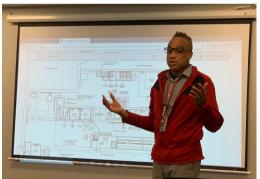
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Spring Educational Conference and Social Happy Hour @ Legal Sea Bar in Washington DC April 26, 2019

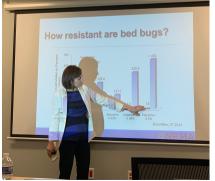












2019 Award Recipients



Jerrold M. Michael Award

Douglas Dalier- Sanitarian, DC Health

Douglas Dalier currently serves the District of Columbia Department of Health as a Sanitarian. In 2016, Mr. Dalier lead the Division in applying for a 2-year grant from the United States Consumer Product Safety Commission through the Pool Safely Grant Program. This grant provided funds to the division to promote public health and safety to pools around the District. Mr. Dalier has successfully lead and secured this award for the Department of Health for the next two years.

Mr. Dalier coordinated activities such developing and distributing pool safety information including a barrier assessment checklist to aid licensed pool and spa owners in determining barrier deficiencies present in a hazard log. The hazard log identified uncovered vacuum ports as a common entrapment hazard during the 2016 pool season which DC Health jumped to address. The prevalence of this hazard during the 2016 pool season led DC to prohibited submerged vacuum fittings for new construction with the adoption of a new pool and spa code in April 2017. Mr. Dalier also supported coordination with DC Health's contractor who was hired to conduct surveys at the pools around the District. Another achievement was the coordination a direct mail campaign of Pool Safely and DC pool and spa safety materials to residential pool and spa owners within the District.

In addiiton, he serves on groups and teams as a member and a leader and has been involved heavily in the update of the District's food and hygiene regulations. His contributions to public health through the Pool Safely Grant emulate what it means to me to be an impactful innovator of environmental health.





Laura Wildey- Program Manager, DC Health

Laura Wildey is a part time student at Michigan State University studying to become a Master of Science in Food Safety at Michigan State University in the fall of 2018. While doing so, she is a full time Program Manager for the Food Safety and Hygiene Inspection Services Division (FSHISD) at the District of Columbia Department of Health.

Ms. Wildey began working in the field of public health in 2012, as a third party auditor for EcoSure, and Ecolab Company. From there, she has worked for the DC Department of Health as a Sanitarian, the Virginia Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services as a Food Safety Specialist, and in January of 2018, returned to the D.C. Department of Health as the Program Manager of the FSHISD. Here, she is responsible for leading a team of 26 Sanitarians and public health professionals in the monitoring and control of foodborne and waterborne illnesses in the District of Columbia. Ms. Wildey has lead the team in adopting food and hygiene rules and regulations, and support enforcement procedures of those codes in the District. In addition, she has collaborated with multiple health departments in other jurisdictions to identify and mitigate foodborne illness risks.

In the event of an emergency or food safety event, Ms. Wildey has the authority to deploy the District's Rapid Response Team to provide or lead assistance. She serves as the main point of contact and lead for numerous special security events such as the Presidential Inauguration.

Ms. Wildey is taking courses at MSU to further her knowledge so that she can impart it on her team and further their work in public health.

2019 Award Recipients (continued)

NEHA Certificate of Merit - Team

Fairfax County Health Department — NACCHO Mentorship Program Leadership Team

The Fairfax County Health Department — NACCHO Mentorship Program Leadership Team is awarded for their mentoring work over the past seven (7) years to a total of thirty-two (32) Local Health Departments (LHDs). This has been a superior team effort that demonstrates excellence in providing assistance and guidance to peer Local Health Departments in improving their Food Safety Programs by enrolling in and working towards meeting the Voluntary National Retail Food Regulatory Program Standards (VNRFRPS).

The NACCHO Mentorship Program is a collaboration between the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) and the National Association of County and City Health Officials (NACCHO). It is an initiative dedicated to promoting the use of the Program Standards in Local Health Departments. Participation in the Mentorship Program has helped the LHDs to uniformly train their food program staff, enhance customer service and improve their inspection program by focusing on the risk factors that may cause or contribute to foodborne illness outbreaks.

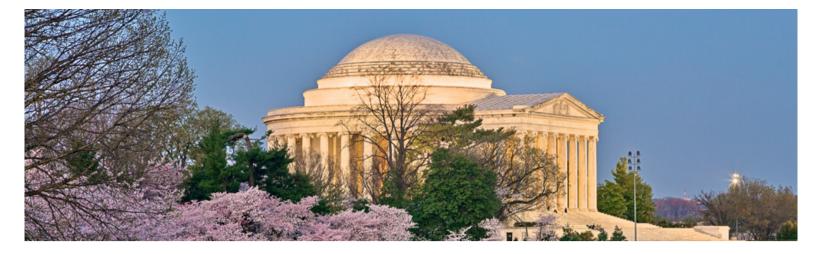
The Fairfax County Health Department, Division of Environmental Health has been selected over the past seven (7) years [Cohort 2 through Cohort 8] to mentor other LHDs throughout the United States. The NACCHO Mentorship Program Leadership Team worked over the course of 8 to 9 months during each of the Cohorts. Some of the activities of the team included: conference calls/webinars; site visits; a 2-day Face to Face Meeting at the Fairfax County Health Department, and a 2-day In Person Meeting with NACCHO, all Mentor Local Health Departments and all Mentee Local Health Departments.

The work of the NACCHO Mentorship Program Leadership Team has resulted in the Mentee LHDs: completing self-assessments, developing improvements plans, successful completion of twenty (20) verification audits and sustaining their efforts in the Program Standards after completion of the NACCHO Mentorship Program.

The Leadership Team consists of Pieter Sheehan, Cassandra Mitchell, David Lawrence, Ron Campbell, Shannon McKeon, Kevin Wastler, Deborah Crabtree, Suja Warrier and Grace Sun.

Pictured:
Pieter Sheehan,
Kevin Wastler, Suja
Warrier, David
Lawrence, Debbie
Crabtree, Cassandra
Mitchell, Shannon
McKeon







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