

SANITARIANS' NEWS

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WVPHA ANNUAL CONFERENCE

The 89th West Virginia Public Health Association Annual Conference will be held at Snowshoe Mountain Conference Center in Snowshoe, WV, September 18-20, 2013. This year's conference theme is "Public Health: West Virginia's Best Investment."

Registration information and a conference agenda can be found on the WVPHA website at the following link:

<http://www.wvdhhr.org/wvpha/Conference/index.htm>

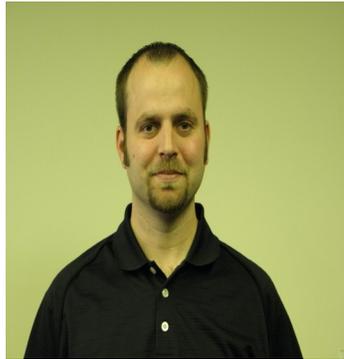


ENVIRONMENTAL AGENDA

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| 8:30–9:00 | Welcome and WVAS Presentation |
| 9:00 –9:30 | General Sanitation |
| 9:30-10:00 | Nuisance Complaints |
| 10:00-10:30 | Break and Exhibits |
| 10:30-12:00 | Legal Aspects of Complaint Investigations |
| 12:00-1:30 | Lunch/Business Meeting |
| 1:30-2:00 | Software Updates and Issues |
| 2:00-2:30 | Food Manager's Certification Can Make a Difference |
| 2:30-3:00 | Break and Exhibits |
| 3:00-4:00 | Risk-Based Inspections |

CANDIDATES FOR VICE-PRESIDENT

Jarod Dellinger



I am a registered sanitarian employed by the West Virginia Office of Environmental Health Services. I have worked in environmental health for nearly eight years. Prior to accepting a position with the West Virginia Office of Environmental Health Services I was employed as a sanitarian with two local health departments. I am a 2005 graduate of Fairmont State University. I reside in Mercer County where I enjoy golfing and riding motorcycles. It would be an honor

and privilege to serve as your West Virginia Association of Sanitarians Vice President.

Nobody will ever deprive the American people of the right to vote except the American people themselves and the only way they could do this is by not voting.
Franklin D. Roosevelt

Joseph Huff

Administrator & Registered Sanitarian @ Lincoln County Health Department



B.S. Business Management- Berea College 1978
M.B.A.-Marshall University 1994

Formerly: Vice President of Operations - YUM Brands, Inc. (parent company of KFC, Pizza Hut & Taco Bell). Retired from Yum Brands in 2008 after 30 years.

Began second career in (public health) 2010, as Lincoln County Health Department Administrator. Enrolled in Sanitarian Training in the fall of that year and successfully completed R.S. certification.

I bring strong leadership & organizational skills along

with a passion to make WVAS a vibrant, strong and growing organization. I want to be involved in making our association's mid-year and fall conferences highly impactful & worthy of your active membership. In order to attract new members and grow our association, we must develop educational training(s) and provide skill enhancing opportunities which adds value worthy of each members continued support.

Married (Cathy) for 32 years, father of two & love to play golf and gardening

CANDIDATES FOR VICE PRESIDENT (CONTINUED)

Nasandra Wright

I received my Bachelor of Arts degree in Chemistry from The



Ohio State University and a Master of Public Health degree from Florida International University and graduate certificates in Environmental Health and Health Promotion. I am currently the Sanitarian Supervisor at the Kanawha-Charleston Health Department (KCHD) in Charleston, West Virginia. In my role as a sanitarian supervisor, I oversee the daily work of KCHD sanitarians and provide strategic direction and training when required. I also perform professional and administrative work in planning and directing the KCHD Environmental Health program. In 2010, I received the City of

Columbus, Ohio's *Mayor's Award for Excellence* and the *National Environmental Health Association (NEHA) Graduate Scholarship*.

I am an active member of the American Public Health Association (APHA), National Environmental Health Association (NEHA), West Virginia Sanitarian Association (WVAS), West Virginia Public Health Association (WPHA), International Association of Food Protection (IAFP), and the Delta Epsilon Iota Honor Society.

In my spare time, I enjoy camping, reading and spending time with my family.

CANDIDATE FOR 2-YEAR BOARD MEMBER

Jon Welch



I received my BS degree from Fairmont State College in Business Administration and Food Service Management. I worked in the food service industry for over 17 years before I became a Sanitarian 1998. I worked for the Nicholas County Health Department from November 1998 until September 1999. In 1999 I moved to Morgantown and began working for the Monongalia County Health Department. In 2001 I became a Registered Sanitarian and in 2002 was promoted to Sanitarian Supervisor overseeing

a staff of seven Sanitarians. In 2005 I was promoted to Sanitarian Chief and Program Manager of Environmental Health Services of the department and currently hold that position overseeing a staff 10 employees. I have been a member of the West Virginia Association of Sanitarians since 1998 and was a 3 year Member at Large for the association from 2006 to 2009. I have also been a member of WVPHA for over 10 years. I would appreciate your vote to elect me as a 2 year Member at Large.

YOUR VOICE--VOTE

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WVAS BALLOT 2013—REMEMBER TO SIGN THE
OUTSIDE OF THE ENVELOPE IN ORDER TO HAVE
YOUR BALLOT COUNTED!!!!!!!!!!!!

VICE-PRESIDENT

Jarod Dellinger

Joseph Huff

Nasandra Wright

Write-in _____

2-YEAR MEMBER AT LARGE

Jon Welch

Write-in _____

PROPOSED BYLAWS CHANGE

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Article III Section 4 currently states . . . "A full member who has been a member of the Association for a period of thirty (30) years or a full member of sixty (60) years of age or older who has been a full member of this Association for a period of five (5) years shall be eligible for life membership in the Association."

Proposed change would read . . . "A full member who has been a member of the Association for a period a thirty (30) years or a full member of sixty years (60) years of age or older who has been a full member of this Association for a period of fifteen (15) years shall be eligible for life membership in the Association."

Vote

_____ No changes be made

_____ Changes be made to read "fifteen (15) years" instead of five (5) years

_____ Changes be made to "fifteen (15) years" instead of five (5) years for all new members after September 19, 2013.



Phyllis Lowe of Boone Co. Helth Dept at the roadside market dedicating a bridge near Chapmanville, WV to her father. Curtis Lowe was a Navy Veteran. Mr Lowe passed away in April.

2013 Interstate Environmental Health Seminar

By: Dave Thornton

You missed it if you didn't make it to the Seminar this year.

Great location, good speakers on many topics of interest to all the sanitarians. They ranged from a human rabies case

from an organ transplant to Oyster related Norovirus to Wet

Season Ground water monitoring for Onsite Sewage Disposal to

Environmental Health Response to the 2012 Derecho here in WV

given by Donny Haynes of our OEHS office. There was also good evening activities at a Crab Feast and Hospitality get together.

You can have another opportunity to hear great speakers

In a great setting at next year's IEHS will be

held at the Hyatt Regency Hotel in Savannah GA from July 16-18, 2014. Start planning now to attend as the Planning Committee is already working on the plans

for the speakers. If you have any topics/ speakers to propose for next year's seminar please let Dave Thornton or Judy Val-landingham know

before October 20, 2013.



THANKS FOR EVERYTHING BY LINDA WHALEY

I will be retiring by the end of 2013. I have enjoyed so much meeting and being able to work with all of you the past 30 years of my life. You all have been my constant. You have helped keep me focused and remember why I love being a Sanitarian. I have had many opportunities to laugh about all of the crazy things that happen in our jobs. And I have had the privilege to cry with some of you as well during personal hardships. I treasure both, but, most of all I treasure the friendship that so many of you have extended to me. Public Health is my calling, and I hope to always be a part of public health at some level. So, this is not good-bye, but see you soon. Love to all, Linda

PHOTOS FROM JAMBOREE

Philip, Judy and Brad ready to start the day



A sea of scouts



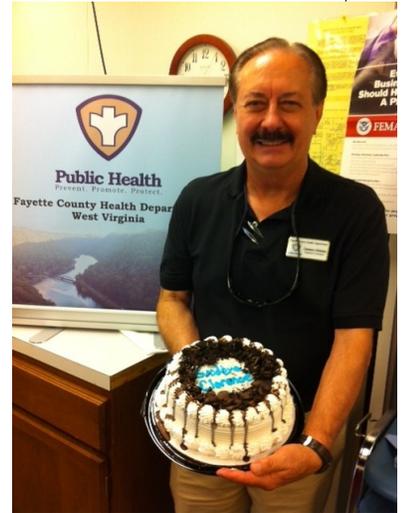
BOY SCOUT JAMBOREE

The Boy Scout Jamboree was held for the first time in West Virginia - July 15-22, 2013, at the Summit Bechtel Reserve located in Glen Jean, Fayette County, WV. Approximately 40,000 scouts and volunteers attended the jamboree. There were approximately 8,000 visitors on the site each day. The Fayette County Health Department along with the OEHS - Public Health Sanitation Division staff inspected 6 temporary food establishments operated by Compass Group - this included staff dining, 2 facilities at Summit Center - Action Point, 1 facility at Boulder Cove, 1 catering kitchen and 1 facility at The

Point; commissary sites for scout meals operated by Compass Group and 16 Lemonade/Shaved Ice/prepackaged ice cream stands operated by Jet Services.

The sanitarians also inspected the 5 recreational water facilities - 4 swimming pools used for scuba dive training and 1 bathing beach used for an Extreme Water Course. Other facilities inspected were the Summit Center under the mass gathering permit and the individual troop and staff camp areas under the organized camp permit this area

included 386 bath houses. Other public health issues addressed were the hydration stations, water buffalos, grey water holding tanks, potable water hauling, and grey water reuse systems. Fayette County and PHSD staff were assisted by the Army Active Duty and National Guard Sanitarians. This was truly a collaborative effort. Just want to say great job to Fayette County Health Department staff and PHSD staff for all the long hours and hard work put in on this project.



Thanks for helping, Clarence!

Great job to Fayette County Health Department staff, and PHSD staff for all the long hours and hard work put in on the Boy Scout Jamboree



Jessica with National Guard -aka-Nathan Douglas at a water hydration station

Jarod helping out



Patty Giles checking food temps



Suzzette and Jarod at the Jamboree

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WVAS Executive Council

Elected Officers

President: Judy Ashcraft

Vice-President: Elizabeth Green

Members at Large

2-Year: T.J. Witten

1-Year: Jonathan Graziani

Appointed Members

Secretary-Treasurer: Linda Whaley **Newsletter:** Linda Whaley/Jessica Douglas

Ex-Officio Member

Public Health Sanitation Director: Brad Cochran

VIBRIO VULNIFICUS: CDC FOODBORNE DISEASE WEBPAGE



Keith Allison of Berkeley Co. is Umpiring at the Senior League World Series. Congratulations, Keith.

Also: Derrick Haggerty of Hampshire Co. is a Newlywed!! Congratulations!!!

Vibrio vulnificus is a bacterium in the same family as those that cause cholera. It normally lives in warm seawater and is part of a group of vibrios that are called "halophilic" because they require salt.

V. vulnificus can cause disease in those who eat contaminated seafood or have an open wound that is exposed to seawater. Among healthy people, ingestion of *V. vulnificus* can cause vomiting, diarrhea, and abdominal pain. In immunocompromised persons, particularly those with chronic liver disease, *V. vulnificus* can infect the bloodstream, causing a severe and life-threatening illness characterized by fever and chills, decreased blood pressure (septic shock), and blistering skin lesions. *V. vulnificus* bloodstream infections are fatal about 50% of the time. *V. vulnificus* can cause an infection of the skin when open wounds are exposed to warm seawater; these infections may lead to skin breakdown and ulceration. Persons who are immunocompromised are at higher risk for invasion of the organism into the bloodstream and potentially fatal complications. Persons who are immunocompromised, especially those with chronic liver disease, are at risk for *V. vulnificus* when they eat raw seafood, particularly oysters. A recent study showed that people with these pre-existing medical conditions were 80 times more likely to develop *V. vulnificus* bloodstream infections than were healthy people. The bacterium is frequently isolated from oysters and other shellfish in warm coastal waters during the summer months. Since it is naturally found in warm marine waters, people with open wounds can be exposed to *V. vulnificus* through direct contact with seawater. There is no evidence for person-to-person transmission of *V. vulnificus*.