

EWC-ACHMM NEWSLETTER



**Eastern Washington Chapter of the
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PRESIDENT'S CORNER

This will be my last submission to the EWC-ACHMM Newsletter as President. It is difficult to believe how quickly this year passed. Being in the leadership of such a distinguished group has been a most gratifying, as well as challenging, experience. From the bottom of my heart, I thank all of you that have supported our Chapter, our Sister Chapter (the India Chapter), and me this year.

Several of our members attended National Conference in Orlando in September. Our Chapter delegate and Awards Chairman toted home 5 Champion of Excellence plaques and another Honor Roll of Champions Award. We got a peek at those awards at the Sleeping Dog Winery tour on September 28. The turnout for the winery tour was phenomenal. That has always one of most popular annual events. It would great to have that much participation at EVERY meeting.

In October, Detective John Hansens gave an informative talk at the General Meeting on Meth Labs and their consequences in the Tri-Cities area. It is incredible how wide-spread the meth problems reach and how many lives are affected by it, both directly and indirectly. He talked about the hazards and dangers of the material itself. Detective Hansens invited us to contact him with further inquiries or concerns.

November has been a busy month for planning. Scholarships were due by October 31st and so were award nominations for the annual Chapter awards. The committees met last week following the Executive Board meeting. Two people were awarded the scholarship funds this year. There were some outstanding award nominations. This is a good recognition program and we hope that more will be willing to nominate outstanding teams, projects, and individuals. Details of both Scholarships and the Awards are included in this Newsletter.

The Annual Holiday and Awards Dinner is quickly approaching. We look forward to seeing each of you there. The new 2007 Officers and Chairs will be introduced. We have some "new blood" coming in that I think will bring new perspectives and energy to the Chapter. We also have a very dynamic speaker coming from the National Board, Rich Cartwright. I promise you will not sleep through any of his presentations! There will be door prizes, entry for free 2008 membership, good food, peers, and the opportunity for lasting memories. Don't miss it!

To sum up my year, I can only offer gratitude for the honor and privilege of serving you as President. I plan to continue my service as this has been a very fulfilling year. Thank you to my Officers and Chairs, particularly my Vice President, who has been a *super* "sounding board" and friend.

Best wishes to **all** for happy and safe Holidays!

CHMM Recertification Requirements

Every five years, CHMM's must recertify in order to ensure that CHMMs maintain the highest professional standards and enhance their continued competence. The recertification options are to either retake the examination or to submit documentation that the required continuing education requirements have been met.

The continuing education requirements are measured in CMPs and a total of 17 CMPs must be earned during the five year cycle. All claims for recertification credit (CMPs) must be documented (see below). If your records have been permanently lost or destroyed, some evidence of the event and/or an explanation statement signed by you attesting to the event should accompany your submission.

Activities that Qualify for Certification Maintenance Points (CMPs)

Active Professional Practice

The following activities qualify for two (2) CMPs per year:

- Full-time employment with responsibility directly related to hazardous materials management, its laws, regulations, technology and implementation.
- Employment as a full-time professional consultant whose responsibilities directly relate to hazardous materials management, its laws, regulations, technology and implementation.
- Employment as an academic instructor who is a full-time faculty member of an accredited university or college teaching the equivalent of at least one (1) three-credit-hour course per year that directly relates to hazardous materials management, its laws, regulations, technology and implementation.

Credit may be pro-rated for part-time practice.

Professional Society/Association Membership and Leadership Activities

Membership and active participation in any of the following qualifies for two (2) CMPs per year:

- IHMM Board of Directors
- IHMM Board of Examiners
- IHMM Board of Ethics
- IHMM Recertification Peer Reviewer
- ACHMM Board of Directors
- Offices in an ACHMM Chapter (President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer) or a Chapter Committee Chairmanship
- National committee/subcommittee of the ACHMM
- National officer or committee/subcommittee chair of an approved organization.

One (1) CMP per year is awarded for membership in an approved professional society/association with documentation indicating attendance at more than half of the scheduled chapter meetings. Approved organizations include: ACHMM, AIChE, AIHA, ASCE, ASSE, AWMA, HPS and NSPE. Other organizations may qualify; check with the Recertification Department.

Continuing Education and Professional Development

NOTE: In accordance with standards of the Council of Engineering and Scientific Specialty Boards (CESB), which accredits the CHMM certification program, CHMMs must earn an average of 20 hours per year (1.25 CMPs), totaling at least 6.25 CMPs per cycle, through participation in any combination of the following six categories.

Distance Learning: Credit for distance learning or online courses will be awarded on the basis of college credits earned (see below) or, if CEUs are issued, on the basis of 1 CEU = 10 hours of study = 0.625 CMPs.

» College/University Credit Courses
Completion of an accredited, college-level course on hazardous materials management or a related topic. One-half (0.5) CMP per semester credit hour. (If you are claiming credit for a new degree during this cycle, DO NOT count the courses that were part of that degree program. However, you may count courses that were not related to the degree.)

» Receipt of a New Baccalaureate or Graduate Degree
Earning a degree from an accredited institution in addition to the degree(s) held when initially certified will be awarded four (4) CMPs.

» Professional Development Conferences/Courses/ Seminars
Attendance at conferences, seminars, workshops or in-house contracted training dealing primarily with hazardous materials management or a related topic: One-quarter (0.25) CMP per four (4) hours of actual training time.

Full documented attendance at the technical sessions at the ACHMM Annual Meeting meets the annual requirement of 20 hours (1.25 CMPs) of professional development.

Documented attendance at ACHMM chapter meetings that feature technical talks or field trips will be recognized for professional development credit at the rate of 0.125 CMP per meeting.

» Continuing Education/Refresher Courses
Completion of a continuing education or man-

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2006 Scholarships Awarded

This year two WSU/Pullman students will share the EWC / ACHMM scholarship award. Lauren Carter, a junior, and Tylan Watkins, a freshman, will share the \$1000 award, each receiving \$500 toward payment of tuition and/or laboratory fees.

Lauren is an honors student in Environmental Science. During the summer of 2005, Lauren volunteered as part of the Global Vision International which included spending five weeks in the Seychelles on Mahe Island performing marine research and conservation activities. In addition, Lauren is involved in many extracurricular activities including: Honors Hall Government, high school recruiting,

the WSU zoology club and athletic activities such as the Triathlon club and the Sailing club. Lauren's essay displayed concern about the effects of water pollution.

Tylan, a 2005 KNDU academic all star, is majoring in chemistry. Tylan's current extracurricular activities at WSU include being in the physics and chemistry clubs and intramural sports. Tylan's previous awards include an Air Force award for mathematics and science and a Washington State Honor Award. Tylan has volunteered in his community by tutoring students and mentoring younger kids in athletic organizations. Tylan's essay discussed concerns over transportation and disposal of nuclear waste.



Richard Cartwright from the Academy Provides Presentation on “Increasing the Value of Your CHMM Credential”

This year's guest speaker for the awards ceremony and holiday dinner is Richard T. Cartwright, PE, CHMM. Mr. Cartwright is a Senior Vice President of MEC^x, LLC, an innovative technology-driven com-

pany that provides hazardous-materials-management-related solutions to soil and groundwater remediation, construction operations and environmental compliance problems. He has an MBA in Operations Management from Indiana University, a BES in Chemical Engineering from Brigham Young University, and a Professional Certificate in Project Management from the State University of New York at Buffalo. He has a proven “hands-on” track record of solving recalcitrant hazardous materials problems at landfills, brownfields, manufacturing facilities, chemical

plants, oil refineries, and retail petroleum outlets.

Mr. Cartwright is an internationally recognized professional course instructor and motivational platform speaker on Remediation of Soil and Groundwater, Hazardous Materials Management, Professional Certification, Ethics, and Successful Career Planning Strategies. He is a Past President of the Academy of Certified Hazardous Materials Managers and is currently serving his fifth term on their National Board of Directors. At their 2005 National Conference, he received the prestigious “Pete Cook Founders Award” for distinguished lifetime leadership, dedicated service and professional achievement within the hazardous materials management profession. Mr. Cartwright is the author of the “CHMM Career Planning and Survival Guide”.

EWC-ACHMM 2006 Award Winners

The 2006 winners of the Eastern Washington Chapter of the Academy of Certified Hazardous Materials Managers (EWC-ACHMM) have been announced. These winners will be recognized at our Holiday Dinner and Awards Banquet on December 7, 2006.

- 1 President’s Award - Dr. Rampur Viswanath (CH2M)
- 2 Hazardous Material Identification and Control Research Award - Bulk Vitrification System Project (CH2M)
- 3 Excellence in Hazardous Materials Management - Plutonium Finishing Plant- D&D Project (FH)
- 4 Hazardous Materials Manager of the Year (2) - Andrea Hopkins (FH) and Harold Tilden (PNNL)
- 5 Outstanding Service to the Eastern Washington Chapter - Roni Swan (EFSI)
- 6 Meritorious Achievement to the Eastern Washington

Chapter - Chuck Mulkey (WGINT)

We want to express our appreciation to everyone that submitted an award nomination and to Fluor Hanford, CH2M Hill, and Pacific Northwest National Laboratory for their sponsorship of these awards.

The EWC-ACHMM National Award Winners will also be recognized at the December 7th event for winning the National Champion of Excellence Award (30 given in the Nation).

Dr. Rampur Viswanath (CH2M)	4 th Year
Dr. R. Terry Winward (FH)	4 th Year
Dr. Andrea Prignano (FH)	2 nd Year
Michelle Yates-Mandis (ECY)	2 nd Year
Robbie Tidwell (PNNL)	1 st Year

The EWC received the National Honor Roll of Champions award for the 7th consecutive year (5 given in the Nation). This award will be on display.

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Past Presidents Advisory Council

Chuck Mulkey, Chairman
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datory annual refresher course on hazardous materials management or a related topic, including HAZWOPER, RCRA, Asbestos O&M, Emergency Response and other OSHA/DOT/EPA courses: One-quarter (0.25) CMP per 4 hours of actual training.

» Part-Time Instructor Activity

Teaching courses directly related to hazardous materials management, its laws, regulations, technology and implementation on a part-time basis in an academic setting: One-quarter (0.25) CMP per credit hour taught; as a continuing education or overview course trainer: One-quarter (0.25) CMP per four (4) hours taught.

» Presentations, Publications and Papers

- Presentation of a paper or lecture on hazardous materials management or a related topic to a professional organization, conference, seminar or workshop, when the presentation is original and has not been presented before: One-half (0.5) CMP.
- Listed author/co-author or technical reviewer of an original paper in a professional publication or chapter in a textbook or reference book on the subject of hazardous materials management or a related subject: Two (2) CMPs.
- Listed author/co-author, or editor/co-editor of a textbook or reference book on hazardous materials management or a related subject: Six (6) CMPs.

CHMM Examination-Related Activities

- Examination questions (items): One-half (0.5) CMP is awarded for each question accepted by the IHMM Board of Examiners.
- Assisting the proctor of the CHMM examination: one-quarter (0.25) CMP per event.

Government or Industry Standards or Advisory Committee(s)

Service to related organizations at the national or local level will be recognized. Approved organizations include ASTM or ANSI, as well as local, regional or state advisory committees. Attendance at more than half of the planned meetings of a qualifying organization: One (1) CMP per year.

Professional Achievement/Recognition

A special citation or award conferred by a professional, governmental or educational organization for outstanding contribution(s) to the field of hazardous materials management: Two (2) CMPs per award.

A Registered Patent Related to Hazardous Materials Management

In the year of patent publication, a registered

patent in the field of hazardous materials management: Two (2) CMPs.

Approved Professional Certification/Registration

Obtaining an approved professional credential or registration after initial CHMM certification: Two (2) CMPs per credential. Approved credentials or registrations include: Certified Safety Professional (CSP), Certified Industrial Hygienist (CIH), Professional Engineer (PE), Registered Professional Geologist (PG), Certified Health Physicist (CHP) and Diplomat Environmental Engineer (DEE). Other certifications may qualify; check with the Recertification Department. This credit may be claimed only during the year the credential was earned; it is not an annual credit.

Other Activities

Other activities may be submitted. They will be evaluated on an individual basis regarding their acceptability and awarding of CMPs.

Acceptable Documentation to Support CMP Claims

All claims for recertification credit must be documented. If your records have been permanently lost or destroyed, some evidence of the event and/or an explanation statement signed by you attesting to the event should accompany your submission.

Active Professional Practice

A letter of verification from employer(s) or official job description(s) verifying dates of employment in the job described is acceptable. If self-employed, a company letterhead and a description of activities, is acceptable. A full-time academic instructor may send a catalog of courses offered with your name and description of the specific classes that you teach. Other documentation such as marketing literature also may be acceptable.

Professional Society/Association Membership and Leadership Activities

Submit copies of your membership certificate(s) showing dates of membership, dues receipts or similar records. Local ACHMM chapters are required to provide a CHMM with evidence of his/her attendance at meetings. Document(s) proving claims of leadership can include letterheads (dated), newsletters (with masthead of officers), official organizational announcement(s), or letters of verification from chapter or national officers.

Receipt of New Baccalaureate or Graduate Degree

An official transcript from an accredited institution indicating the degree and date awarded is required.

College/University Credit Courses

Official transcripts are required, showing satis-

factory completion of course(s) taken.

Professional Development Conferences / Courses

Certificates of attendance (for conferences) or of completion (for courses) are the preferred documentation. Registration receipts, canceled checks, etc. may be used if no certificates were issued. The documentation must include the name of the organization sponsoring the conference or course, the location and dates of attendance.

Continuing Education/Refresher Courses

Copies of transcripts or certificates are required, showing satisfactory completion of course(s) taken. If CEUs were issued, please convert to CMPs on the basis of 1 CEU = 10 hours of study = 0.625 CMPs.

Part-Time Instructor Activity

Submit a catalog of courses or an announcement or schedule of training, showing your name and a description of the classes you taught.

Presentations, Publications and Papers

CHMMs who have published articles or book(s) should provide photocopies of title pages that clearly indicate the source. A letter of invitation (or thanks) for a presentation, or a program brochure or similar item announcing the presentation at the meeting is appropriate for presentations.

CHMM Exam-Related Activities

- a) A copy of a letter from the Institute acknowledging the acceptance of questions (items) is required.
- b) A copy of a letter from the Institute or appropriate academic institution verifying proctoring activity is required.

Governmental or Industry Standards or Advisory Committee(s)

Copies of letter(s) acknowledging participation are acceptable.

Professional Achievement/Recognition

Photocopies of special citations and awards are required. A transmittal letter, text of the award or actual copy of the award is also acceptable.

A Registered Patent Related to Hazardous Materials Management

CHMMs claiming CMPs for this category must provide photocopies of the title page including date and source, as well as an abstract of the published document.

Approved Professional Certification/Registration

A copy of a numbered and dated license or certificate is required.

EWC's Sister Chapter Attends the National Conference in Orlando

More than a dozen members of ACHMM's India Chapter participated in the 2006 National Conference in Orlando. The delegation, led by B.S. Jaiprakash, Ph.D. (or "JP" as known to many of us), of the Bangalore Institute of Technology (BIT), presented papers and attended many of the general sessions, workshops and special events. Additionally, several members sat for the CHMM exam.

The papers posted by the India Chapter provided information on several timely international issues:

- Industries and New Technologies – Scenario of Developing Countries
- Indirect Estimation of Number of Deaths Associated with Excess Ambient Particulate Matter (PM10) Index Air Pollution in Kathmandu Valley; Managing E-Waste – A Case Study
- Ambient Air Quality Monitoring in Tumkur City, Karnataka, India
- Household Hazardous Waste Generation – Management in the State of Karnataka, India

In addition, BIT received the ACHMM Sponsor Appreciation Award for hosting the ACHMM Delegation to India this past February. The BIT provided tremendous assistance with organizing many of the activities and special excursions for the week-long event. The ACHMM delegation participated in the launching of first-ever international chapter. Additionally, the BIT was honored for being such gracious hosts, providing facilities, and working with the ACHMM to generate international media coverage for the delegations.

The ACHMM International Ambassador and India Chapter President is Rampur Viswanath from the EWC. Rampur worked tirelessly to coordinate the India delegate's travel to the U.S. and activities on behalf of ACHMM. The exchange of ideas and customs was a great learning experience for all.

-- Remember to Mark Your Calendars --

Eastern Washington Chapter ACHMM

Annual Holiday Banquet and Awards Ceremony

December 7, 2006 - 6:00 to 9:00 pm

Courtyard by Marriott

480 Columbia Point Dr., Richland, WA (Past Anthony's)

Guest Speaker is Rich Cartwright from the Academy
"Increasing the Value of Your CHMM Credential"

Please note change: RSVPs, checks, and meal preferences should ALL now be sent to Robbie Tidwell through Plant Mail at K2-40, or to the Chapter address at EWC-ACHMM, 1370 Jadwin Ave., Suite 113, Richland, WA 99352



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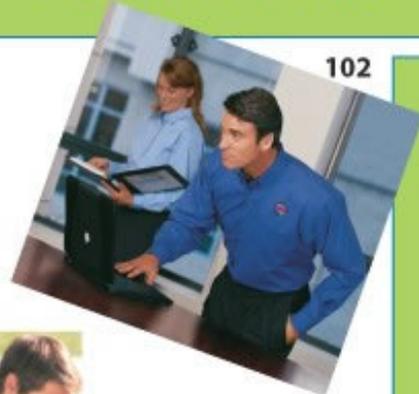
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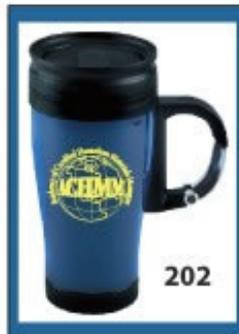


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