

## Wednesday, July 24

### GENERAL SESSION

President: Kelsey Van Deusen, MWOA President

- 8:15 Welcome  
*Kelsey Van Deusen (MWOA President) Burl Ives, Timberlake Lodge*
- 8:30 Hunters 4 Hunters  
*Steve Porter*
- 9:30 MWOA Business Meeting
- 10:00 Break**
- 10:30 State of the State on Wastewater  
*Nicole Blasing, MPCA*
- 11:30 Roundtable with the Pioneers of MWOA, and Clean Water Act Professionals  
*The Golden Group—  
Steve Kleist, Gene Erickson, Del Haag,  
Steve Duerre, Chuck Dewolf, Joel Schmidt,  
Randy Poore*
- 12:30 Lunch

### VENDOR DISPLAYS/DEMOS

President: Amy Schreder and Joe Rubbelke

- 12:30–4:30 Technology, Product Demos, & Services  
*Prize drawings will be held during the session  
Grand Prize Drawing – Must be present to win*
- 4:30 Picnic / Meet and Greet**  
Bean Bag Tournament  
Cash Bar, Door Prizes
- Sponsored by MWOA,  
Vendors and Other Contributors**



## Thursday, July 25

### WASTEWATER EXAM STUDY SESSION

8:00–4:30 Trainers:

#### Wastewater Tests:

**A-B Wastewater**, *Marcus Weikert, Joe Janson MRWA*

**C-D Wastewater**, *Frank Stuemke, DSG Supply; Joel Jasmore, MRWA*

#### Collections Test:

**SA-SB Collections**, *Joe Rubbelke, Utility Logic*

**SC-SD Collections**, *Kelley Janes, AE2S*

### BIOSOLIDS SESSION

Presiders: Sherry Bock, MPCA

- 8:00 Networking: Who/Why/What Went Well or What Didn't Go So Well  
*Cory Schultz, Brandon Huston, Sherry Bock*
- 8:45 Site Approvals  
*Kevin Krause, MPCA*
- 9:30 Break**
- 9:45 Land Application Compliance and Enforcement  
*Cory Schultz, MPCA*
- 10:15 Where's the Nickel Coming From?  
*Joe Jansen, MRWA*
- 10:45 The Good, the Bad, and the Ugly of Biosolids  
*John Brogan, Dover, Eyota, St Charles Sanitary District*
- 11:15 Soil Too High in Phosphorus? Trade it for a Belt Press  
*Tom Dye, MSA Water/Wastewater, Tim Satrang, City of Mt Iron*
- 12:00 Lunch**
- 1:00 Silver Bay Digester Cleaning  
*Mike Miller, City of Silver Bay  
Mitch McClain Okerstrom, Fergus Power Pump*
- 1:45 Biosolids Annual Reports  
*Cory Schultz & Sherry Bock, MPCA*
- 2:30 Break**
- 2:45 La Crosse's Journey to Biosolids Dryer  
*Michael Gerbitz, Donohue & Associates*
- 3:30 PFAS Updates  
*Sherry Bock, MPCA*

### COLLECTION SESSION

President: Todd Stelmacher, Visu-Sewer

- 8:00 Emergency Preparedness For Wastewater Sampling During Flooding Events  
*Amy Schreder, UC Laboratory*
- 8:45 Infiltration and Inflow  
*Greg Kilgore*
- 9:30 Break**
- 9:45 Wastewater Screening  
*Pete MacPherson, MN Pump Works*
- 10:30 Pipe Bursting  
*Mark Dorn, TT Technologies*
- 11:15 Order Control for Collection System Infrastructure  
*Purafil*
- 12:00 Lunch**
- 1:00 Pipe: Different Pipe Products for Different Applications in Your Utility  
*Ron McCabe and Frank Stuemke, DSG*
- 1:45 Sewer Planning and Modeling  
*Adam & Rachel, FOTH*
- 2:30 Break**
- 2:45 Pump Fundamentals  
*Chris Suomi, Gorman Rupp*
- 3:30 Lift Station Retrofits  
*Justin MacPherson, MPV*
- 4:00 Sewer Jeopardy  
*Todd Carlson, Retired Sanitary & Storm Sewer Sludge Shoveler*

### WASTEWATER SESSION

President: Al Parrella

- 8:00 Corrosion Control  
*Kimberly McCarty, MNX*
- 8:45 Pipe in the Treatment Plant  
*Dan Moore, Core and Main*
- 9:30 Break**
- 9:45 Common NPDES Permit Violations  
*Mackenzie Wilkenson-Hanson, MPCA*
- 10:15 Cloth Media Filtration  
*Ryan Holzen, Donohue*
- 10:45 Blower Maintenance  
*Steven Exner, Atlas-Copco*

- 11:15 Two Harbors Plant Upgrade  
*Brian Gulden, Bolton-Menk  
Randy Hedin, Two Harbors*

### 12:00 Lunch

- 1:00 BIM for Wastewater  
*Justin Robinson, MSA*
- 1:45 Cheap Capacity  
*Mike Gerbitz, Donohue*
- 2:30 Break**
- 2:45 Electricity for WW Operators  
*James Hietala, Retired*
- 3:30 Status of W/WW Chemical Industry  
*Dave Schindeldecker, Hawkins*
- 4:00 Chemically Enhances Primary Treatment for Improved Biogas Production  
*Ian McNicholes, Barr Engineering Co.*

### MWOA Conference Banquet

- 6:00 Social Hour**
- 7:00 Banquet and Awards**

## Friday, July 26

### GENERAL SESSION

President: Frank Stuemke, MWOA President

- 7:30 Breakfast for all attendees in front of session rooms**
- 8:00 MWOA Introductions of Board Members and Section Leadership
- 8:15 Safety Equipment  
*Joe Rubbelke, Utility Logic*
- 9:15 Vermillion Community College Update  
*O'Niell Tedrow*
- 10:00 SAF Wastewater Treatment Process  
*Glen Bauer, Sauk Center*
- 11:00 Closing Comments and Drawings
- 8:30–12:30 Exam Session**  
*\*exam start time subject to change;  
check with MPCA Staff at the conference*

**See you next year!  
July 22–25, 2025**

#### PAST LOYAL SERVICE AWARDS

1969 Walter Hogenson, Rochester  
1970 Anton Pirkil, Owatonna  
1971 Gilbert Junge, Moorhead  
1972 C. George King, Bloomington  
1973 Otto Kuehne, International Falls  
1974 Ralph Thimmesch, Caledonia  
1975 Henry Ellens, Mora  
1976 Axel Jensen, Silver Bay  
1977 Not Available  
1978 Clarence Boelen, Cimarron MHP  
1979 Art Johnson, Duluth  
1980 Robert Knutson, Austin  
1981 Andy Zajac, MWCC - Hastings  
1982 Willard Sexauer, MPCA  
1983 Emil Flicek, New Prague  
1984 Harold Ulrich, Owatonna  
1985 John Thom, Richfield  
1986 David Frey, Marshall  
1987 Ray Anderson, General Repair  
1988 Leland Enge, Thief River Falls  
1989 John McLouth, Mora  
1990 Jim Miller, Mankato  
1991 John Gray, MVTL  
1992 Chuck DeWolf, Litchfield  
1993 Karen Cummings, Bemidji  
1994 Del Haag, MPCA  
1995 Gene Erickson, MPCA  
1996 Dan Zarembinski, Woodbury  
1997 Steve Kleist, Vermillion Com Coll  
1998 Jerry Balbach, MVTL  
1999 Bob Zimmerman, Moorhead  
2000 Steve Johnsen, WLSSD  
2001 Jarrod Christen, Detroit Lakes  
2002 Steve Duerre, MPCA  
2003 Rick Lohmann, Zumbrota  
2004 Steve Lipinski, Duluth  
2005 Bob Van Moer, Marshall  
2006 Joel Schmidt, Prairie Island  
2007 Rick Ashling, Albert Lea  
2008 Tim Polipnick, Breezy Point  
2009 Dean Nelson, Owatonna  
2010 Pat Meyer, Isanti  
2011 Sandy Mass, Duluth  
2012 Dianne Navratil, MPCA  
2013 Steve Duerre, MPCA  
2014 Todd Carlson, Duluth  
2015 Randy Poore, Bloomington  
2016 Joe Rubbelke, Copperhead Innovations  
2017 Mark Saunders  
2018 Jim Miller  
2019 Howard Jacobson  
2020 NA  
2021 Linda Mullen  
2022 Al Parrella  
2023 Amy Schreader

#### MWOA PAST PRESIDENTS

1956-57 Walter Hogenson, Rochester  
1957-58 Carl Lund, Duluth  
1958-59 James L. Rudd, Alexandria  
1959-60 Robert Knutson, Austin  
1960-61 L.D. Graig, St. Cloud  
1962-63 Carroll Jensen, New Ulm  
1963-64 Melvin Koch, Faribault  
1964-65 Howard Grindy, Anoka  
1965-66 Axel Jensen, Silver Bay  
1966-67 Roger Ebersole, Northfield  
1967-68 Jack Giles, St. Cloud  
1968-69 Ralph Rader, Mankato  
1969-70 James Pastika, Cloquet  
1970-71 C. George King, Bloomington  
1971-72 Ralph Thimmech, Caledonia  
1972-73 Andrew Zajac, Hastings  
1973-74 Henry Ellens, Mora  
1974-75 James Johnson, Duluth  
1975-76 Daryl Lambert, Worthington  
1976-77 Dwayne Nelson, Owatonna  
1977-78 John Thom, Dept of Education  
1978-79 Emil Flicek, New Prague  
1979-80 Dave Frey, Marshall  
1980-81 Harold Ulrich, Owatonna  
1981-82 Leland Enge, Thief River Falls  
1982-83 Del Domagala, Luverne  
1983-84 Byron Zeeveld, Hastings  
1984-85 Chuck DeWolf, Litchfield  
1985-86 Harold Wadewitz, Lewiston  
1986-87 Gordon Peters, Bloomington  
1987-88 John McLouth, Mora  
1988-89 Joel Schmidt, Olivia  
1989-90 Steve Johnsen, WLSSD  
1990-91 Jim Miller, Mankato  
1991-92 Del Haag, MPCA  
1992-93 Steve Kleist, Vermillion Comm Coll  
1993-94 John Gray, MVTL  
1994-95 Dan Zarembinski, Woodbury  
1995-96 Bob Cockriel, Bloomington  
1996-97 Robert Zimmerman, Moorhead  
1997-98 Rick Lohman, Zumbrota  
1998-99 Jarrod Christen, Detroit Lakes  
1999-00 Stephen Lipinski, Duluth  
2000-01 Randy Stetler, Anoka  
2001-02 Ron Hagemeyer, GLSSD  
2002-03 Jerry Balbach, MVTL  
2003-04 Dave Simons, Met Council  
2004-05 Dean Nelson, Owatonna  
2005-06 Rick Ashling, Albert Lea  
2006-07 Keith Redmond, St Cloud Tech College  
2007-08 Randy Poore, Bloomington  
2008-09 Pat Meyer, Isanti  
2009-10 Bob Van Moer, Marshall  
2010-11 Howard Jacobson, Duluth  
2011-12 Linda Mullen, Burnsville  
2012-13 Todd Carlson, Duluth  
2013-14 Christopher Kleist, Duluth  
2014-15 Joe Rubbelke, MN Pump Works  
2015-16 Richard Olson, Owatonna  
2016-17 Al Parrella, WLSSD  
2017-18 Kay Curtin  
2018-19 Wade Klingsporn  
2019-21 Amy Schreader  
2021-22 Jayme Klecker  
2022-23 Paul Christensen

#### CERTIFICATION HOURS

- 16 Direct Wastewater hours  
or if attending the Biosolids Session
- 6 Type Four hours and  
10 Wastewater hours

Certificates of Attendance  
will be available Friday  
after the General Session



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