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From the President:

I would like to take this opportunity to wish everyone a Happy New Year. As your newly elected President I am looking forward to having a very prosperous year for the Sunflower Chapter. Over the past couple of years as a board member we have been faced with several major issues. Retention and recruiting of members in our organization is probably the biggest challenge I see we are currently facing. That issue directly affects some of the other issues we are faced with. We have some financial challenges to overcome but as long as we can retain members and add members every year that will work itself out. This year our board met with KDHE to see how the Sunflower Chapter can take a more active role in state training. As a result of that meeting and some commitment by our board we are taking a much more active role in the training being offered. Our SWANA board is playing a larger role in the organization of the MSWLF training being held this year in Great Bend. As a result of that we expect to see a great turnout of participants and vendors and we hope that this will be perhaps the best training yet. We hope that all members and their employees will take part in and support this training opportunity.

Also this year to further enhance the training process, Neal Bolton, nationally recognized landfill trainer and author, will be presenting training classes. Neal owns and operates Blue Ridge Services, a landfill consulting company who specializes in all types of landfill training and operations. This will provide all operators in the state access to some of the highest quality training at a very minimal price. We hope all facilities in the state will see this as a great opportunity to send extra operators to receive this training.

Over the next year SWANA Sunflower Chapter will be working on a legislative platform so that we can better represent our membership on solid waste issues and legislation in the state. We are also looking at developing a Landfill Operators Certification Program. This type of program will allow us to take our training and knowledge of our operators and employees to a higher level. With the regulations and technical operations of our facilities this would give credibility to our employees who are responsible for the operation and management of facilities.

In order for us to be successful in achieving these goals it will take a strong membership and members who will participate on committees to develop the materials necessary. I would like to challenge all of our members to help us achieve these goals and participate with us in the process. For those who are not members I also challenge you to take a step toward taking yourself and your facility to an extra level by joining SWANA.

I look forward to seeing all of you at the KDHE/SWANA Municipal Operators Training Course in Great Bend. Please give me a call or stop and visit with me about your participation with us to take the Sunflower Chapter of SWANA into the future.

Mike Tabor



Special Featured Expert Trainer for MSWLF Training Conference

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Experience

Mr. Bolton is a registered civil engineer with 26 years experience in heavy construction and landfill operations. His background in heavy construction includes work in excavating, grading, paving and underground projects where he worked as a laborer, equipment operator, foreman, superintendent and estimator.

In 1988, Mr. Bolton formed his own consulting company, Blue Ridge Services. As principal of Blue Ridge, he has personally supervised hundreds of solid waste projects. With a focus on landfill operations, Blue Ridge projects include landfill training programs, fill sequence planning, site budgeting, equipment selection, operation planning, operational audits, compaction/density studies and a wide range of landfill siting, upgrade, expansion and closure projects.

Education

Attended Sacramento State University- Construction Engineering

Attended Montana State University-Construction Engineering

Professional Registration/Certifications

Registered Civil Engineer-California

Licensed General Engineering Class A Contractor-California

Tech. Writing & Conference Presentations

Mr. Bolton writes a weekly column in Solid Waste Online (<http://www.solidwasteonline.com>). It is entitled, "Bolton on Landfill Management," published by verticalnet.com.

Mr. Bolton writes a regular column in MSW Management Magazine. It is entitled, "The Landfill Manager's Notebook," published by Forester Communications.

He is the author of The Handbook of Landfill Operations, a 500+ page text, published by Blue Ridge Services, 1995. His book is the official text for SWANA's Operational Issues for Landfill Managers course.

Do you need a Registration Form?

Call or email Mike Tabor at (620)626-3266, landfill@swko.net

MSWLF & SAL Operator's Training Course Wednesday, February 22 Training Agenda

7:00-8:00	Registration, Review Training Course Manual and View SWANA Sponsored Exhibits
8:00-8:15	Welcome, Introductions and Announcements
8:15-8:30	Training Course Overview and Operational issues for KS MSWLFs and SALs
8:30-9:00	BWM Update on Landfill and Solid Waste Management Issues
9:00-9:30	MSWLF and SAL Compliance Issues & Concerns
9:30-10:15	State of the Landfill
10:15-10:30	Break
10:30-12:00	Health and Safety Issues of Landfill Operators
12:00-1:00	Lunch

Wednesday Afternoon Training Agenda

Time	MSWLF Operators' Track-Moderator: Dennis Degner	Time	SAL Operator's Tract-Moderator: Bill Bider
1:00-2:00	Barton County MSWLF Operations Update on Challenges & Successes (<i>Mark Witt</i>)	1:00-1:30	Pratt county's SAL Case Study (<i>Dean Staab</i>)
2:00-2:30	Groundwater Monitoring Issues & Requirements for Subtitle D Landfills (<i>Wally Mack & Betty Gamber</i>)	1:30-2:15	Groundwater Monitoring Issues & Requirements for SALs (<i>John Monre & Stephanie Schauer</i>)
2:30-3:00	Ideas for Improving the Construction Quality of MSWLFs (<i>Paul Graves</i>)	2:15-3:30	Risk Communications for SAL Supervisors & Operators during Natural Disasters (<i>Mike Cameron</i>)
3:00-3:30	Break & View Exhibits by SWANA/KS "Sunflower Chapter"	3:00-3:30	Break & View Exhibits by SWANA/KS "Sunflower Chapter"
3:30-4:15	Study of Staffing & Equip. Requirements of MSWLFs in Kansas (<i>Charley Bowers</i>)	3:30-5:00	SAL Workshop (<i>Neal Bolton</i>)
4:15-5:00	Risk Communications for MSWLF Managers & Supervisors During Natural Disasters (<i>Mike Cameron</i>)		
5:00-6:00	View Exhibits & Discuss Landfill Operational Solutions w/Others	5:00-6:00	View Exhibits & Discuss Landfill Opera- tional Solutions w/Others
6:00-7:00	Dinner Buffet	6:00-7:00	Dinner Buffet

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Thursday, February 23, 2006 Training Agenda

Time	MSWLF Operators' Track-Moderator: Mike Tabor	Time	SAL Operator's Tract-Moderator: John Monroe
7:00-8:00	Light Breakfast Buffet	7:00-8:00	Light Breakfast Buffet
8:00-8:30	C & D Landfill Issues & Requirements <i>(Paul Graves)</i>	8:00-10:00	SAL Workshop Cont. <i>(Neal Bolton)</i>
8:30-9:00	An Evaluation of Alternative Final Covers on Landfills <i>(Charley Bowers)</i>		
9:00-10:00	Pros & Cons of Bioreactor Design and Operations: Is it Feasible in Kansas <i>(Bill Upman)</i>		
10:00-10:30	Break & View Exhibits	10:00-10:30	Break & View Exhibits
10:30-11:30	Landfill Gas-Energy Technologies <i>(Dana Murray)</i>	10:30-12:00	SAL Workshop Cont. <i>(Neal Bolton)</i>
11:30-12:00	Issues to Consider for Extension or Reduction of the Post/Closure Care Period of MSWLF in Kansas <i>(Dennis Degner)</i>		
12:00-1:00	Lunch	12:00-1:00	Lunch

1:00-1:30 What to Expect During an Inspection of your MSWLF/SAL
 1:30-1:45 Course Wrap-Up, Completion of Course Questionnaires and Issues of Course Completion Certificates
 1:45-3:15 Field Visit to Observe Operations at the Barton County MSWLF