



Kansas "Sunflower Chapter" Solid Waste Association of North America

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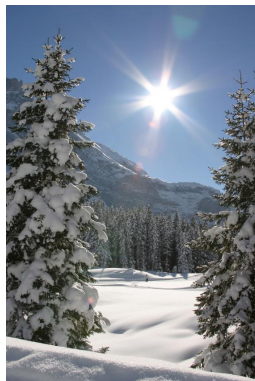
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From the President



Greetings Kansas Sunflower Chapter SWANA members! I hope your new year has started off well. Although the year is young, as a chapter we have already begun work on a number of programs and events for this year.

On January 14th, we held our annual meeting in McPherson. The primary agenda item of that meeting was the election of our board officers and directors. Those individuals are listed on the left. I would especially like to welcome our new board members Darren Gilbert and Jeff Beyer.

On February 4th our board members met in McPherson again to hold our first meeting of the year. It was a very productive meeting as we started planning the SWANA events of this year.

As we have done for a few years, we will be conducting SWANA Roundtable Meetings throughout the state. These meetings allow solid waste professionals and operators to gather and share issues and ideas with each other about the solid waste industry. These meetings have been well attended and very beneficial. This year's meetings will be held March 10th in Olathe, June 17th in Liberal and September 23rd in Winfield. The flyer for these meetings is included with this newsletter. Please consider attending one in your area.

Once again this year we will be hosting a Truck "Roadeo" where trash truck drivers compete against each other on an obstacle course designed to test their driving skills. This year's competition will be held May 8th in Olathe. Information about the Roadeo is included with this newsletter. We would like to have a large number of competitors this year.

Our biggest event this year will of course be our annual conference. Although we have not officially set the date, it is usually held in November. Look for more information on this throughout the year. Last year's conference was a great success and we hope to put on an even better conference this year.

Finally, I wanted to remind members about the SWANA scholarship program which offers scholarships to children and grandchildren of SWANA members. We are working on creating Kansas chapter scholarships as well. Look on the SWANA website swana.org or contact Bill Ridge at 620-241-6559 ext. 301 or bridge@maswu.org for more information. May 1st is the deadline for applications.

I am confident these programs and events will be beneficial to our members and all solid waste professionals throughout the state. However, it takes a lot of work to do these things and I would invite you to contact me if you would be interested in joining one of our committees. Thank you and have a great year!

John Hawk

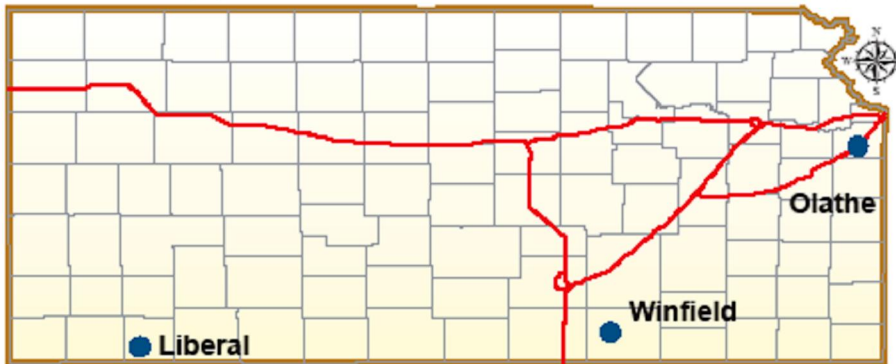
Mark your calendar for these upcoming events



2010 SWANA ROUNDTABLE MEETINGS

KANSAS SUNFLOWER CHAPTER OF SWANA - SOLID WASTE ASSOCIATION OF NORTH AMERICA

This year, the Kansas Sunflower Chapter of the Solid Waste Association of North America (SWANA) is coordinating with several host cities to conduct Regional solid waste management Roundtable Meetings throughout the state. These meetings are designed to provide an opportunity to discuss a variety of solid waste management issues and for you to learn more about different types of operational practices. At these informal sessions, you will have the chance to ask questions, share information, and get to know others in your area that have solid waste management expertise and experience. For additional information concerning these SWANA Roundtable Meetings, please call Mike Fraser Director of Public Works, City of Salina at (785) 309-5725.



General Topics of Discussion

- Training and Safety Programs
- Recycling / diversion programs
- Sanitation collection operations
- Landfill operational issues
- Yard Waste Collection
- Composting operations
- Transfer Station Operations
- Household Hazardous Waste issues
- Vehicle maintenance / fuel issues
- Solid Waste Management Committees
- Compliance and regulatory standards
- Community relations / customer service
- Open forum decided by participants



Location Schedule

All meetings are
1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

● **March 10th - Olathe**

City Service Center, Training Room
1385 S. Robinson Road
Olathe, KS

Contact: Kent Seyfried (913) 971-9006

● **June 17th - Liberal**

Administration Building
515 N. Washington
Liberal, KS

Contact: Mike Tabor (620) 626-3266

● **September 23rd - Winfield**

Public Library
605 College Street
Winfield, KS

Contact: Kathy Lewis (620) 793-1898



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KANSAS SUNFLOWER CHAPTER

February 3, 2010

The Kansas Sunflower Chapter SWANA Road-e-o will be on **Saturday, May 8, 2010** at the **Municipal Services Center, 1385 S. Robinson, Olathe, KS**. Registration check-in will begin at 7:00am on May 8th at the Service Center site. The Road-e-o events will begin at 7:30am with a walk-through with all participants & judges. All contestants will receive a T-shirt and ticket for the Lunch/Awards banquet. Family & friends of the contestants are invited to watch the competition. The Lunch/Awards banquet will also be at the Olathe Municipal Services Center after the Roadeo events have finished. Extra Lunch/Award banquet tickets for guests will be available at the registration check-in for \$5.00 each on that Saturday.

A link to the registration forms for our SWANA Sunflower Chapter TRUCK ROAD-E-O is located on Chapters website www.swanaks.org . Please fill out only one form per contestant or volunteer. Make as many copies of the registration form as necessary. **Return registration forms and fees by April 15, 2010.**

The Truck Road-e-o will have four competition categories: Rearloaders, Sideloaders, Frontloaders, and Roll-offs. Truck driver participants may compete in two categories. The First and Second Place winners of each category will receive trophies and the First Place winner in each category will be eligible to represent the Kansas Chapter at the SWANA International Truck Road-e-o in 2010. This year for our Chapter Road-e-o will be a system for scoring to determine an overall TEAM Champion. Each agency with participants will be designated as a team. Points will be awarded by team members' participation and placing in the various categories.

Please contact me at (913) 971-9006 or kseyfried@olatheks.org if you have any questions. Additionally, **volunteers are needed** to be event judges and ðgo-fersö. If you would like to help, please submit a volunteer/judge registration form.

Kent Seyfried

Kansas Sunflower Chapter, SWANA
Road-e-o Committee Chairperson

