



HEARTLAND CHMM

Heartland CHMM Newsletter

February 2017

President's Podium

Greetings Heartland CHMM Chapter Members-

As we settle into 2017, there are a lot of new beginnings around us. I have taken the reins as the new Chapter President for 2017. Also new in 2017, we are glad to welcome a couple new members to the Heartland Chapter board of directors. And with a new administration in the Washington, there is bound to be some new or changing regulations that will affect some aspect of our professional lives. That is one reason why it is good to have a strong, diverse networking tool like the Heartland CHMM chapter. Our meeting presentations and our social events are great opportunities to get together with other folks engaged in environmental compliance and chemical safety fields to compare notes and hopefully learn something new.

As we plan our program for this year, we welcome suggestions from you the members for topics or presentations of interest. If you have some project that you are particularly proud of or can help arrange a facility tour that might be of interest to the group, please contact one of our board members about getting it on the agenda for an upcoming event.

Another goal we have for this year is to welcome some new members to the Chapter or some folks that may have been away for a while. We are also looking into opportunities to help members enroll in a CHMM exam review course or getting together a study group for folks that are planning on sitting for the exam. If you have any colleagues that may be interested, reach out to one of the Chapter board members. Other activities that we have planned for the year include a happy hour social, a summer social gathering, the annual golf tournament that funds our scholarship program, and a yearend holiday social event with Chapter awards presentation. I hope to see you at an upcoming meeting or event

-John Simpson

March General Meeting

Thursday March 9th; 11:30 – 1:00 PM

Burg & Barrel, 7042 W 76th St , Overland Park, KS 66204.

\$21 for members, \$26 for non-members

RSVP and payment info will be on our website soon!

Avoiding or Resolving Regulator Misunderstandings

- Knowing your site and applicable regulations through due diligence, auditing;
- Investigation issues – insuring inspectors understand workings at site;
- Approaches to dealing with incorrect assumptions by regulators.

Ms. Goldman has worked in the environmental area for over 35 years. She began her legal career in 1978 at the Regional Office of the Environmental Protection Agency, where she served as the associate regional counsel until 1988. She was then a member of the Environmental Practice group at a large law firm until 2000 when she opened her own private practice, continuing to serve clients, assisting in navigating their environmental responsibilities.



SAVE THE DATES

Thursday March 9th — General Meeting (details below)

2017 A&WMA Annual Environmental Conference

2017 Annual Golf Tournament
Friday September 15, 2017

Our Chapter is open and welcomes greater Kansas City area professionals working in the field of environmental management.

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2016 Heartland Chapter Awards



CHMM Review Course Opportunity!!!!

The AHMP Cyber Chapter is offering a CHMM Review Course online February 28 – March 3. This is a live course where attendees will be able to ask questions. The course also includes an electronic copy of the 3rd Edition of the AHMP Desk Reference. Bryan Ross connected with Bruce Donato, president of the Cyber Chapter and president-elect of the National Chapter, and has arranged a group discount for Heartland Chapter Members. We can purchase discount vouchers from the Cyber Chapter for \$50 which will allow for a \$250 discount off of the member pricing of \$450. After purchase of the \$50 voucher, the course is only \$200 if you register before February 14. The Cyber Chapter is also offering free chapter membership for those who enroll in the course. This is a fantastic deal!!

Each person who registers will take the course individually and we will coordinate purchase of the vouchers through the Heartland Chapter. If you are interested, please contact Anne Melia by Friday February 10th. We will gather the names of those interested and purchase vouchers so that folks can register by the February 14th deadline.

Heartland Chapter Distinguished Service Award:

Laura Splichal, CDMSmith

Laura has made many contributions to the area of Hazardous Materials through the years. She has served as an officer of the Heartland Chapter Board as President, President-Elect, Secretary, and Treasurer and as a board member for many years. She has been Chair of the Annual Golf Tournament for more years than we can remember. Through these roles she has encouraged others to join the Chapter. She has made presentations on the CHMM Credential and its value to the field of environmental health and safety. As the Heartland Chapter representative to the AHMP Annual Conference, Laura made recommendations for positive changes to the organization. However, her most significant contribution has been her dedication to the Heartland Chapter through the years, and she has played a vital role in its continued success!

Congratulations, Laura!

Laura is pictured above with Timberlyn Smith, awards coordinator, and Anne Melia, Chapter Secretary

2017 Heartland Chapter Awards!!!!!!

We want to honor our hard working and dedicated leaders, volunteers, and champions of the Heartland CHMM! We have developed three award categories:

- Heartland Chapter Champion
- Heartland Chapter Member of the Year
- Heartland Distinguished Service Recognition

Award Guidelines and Nomination Forms can be found on our [website](#). Nominations for 2017 Awards are due November 20th and Awards will be presented at our Annual Holiday Social in December 2017.

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November 2016 Meeting Recap

Photo of Mary Goetz with our President, Laura Splichal at the November 2016 Joint Meeting with the Midwest Air and Waste Management Association. Mary provided an update on RCRA Enforcement Initiatives and Rule Changes with Highlights from 40 Years of RCRA. Mary is Chief for the Region 7 EPA Hazardous Waste and Materials Management Branch. Thank you, Mary!



UPCOMING EVENTS OF INTEREST

Midwest Air & Waste Management Annual Technical Conference Monday—Tuesday February 27-28, 2017

For more information and to register online visit www.midwestawma.org
Monday February 6th is the last day for early bird registration.

The Heartland CHMM Group will be exhibiting, so stop by and see us!

Green Business Network March Lunch and Learn

Friday March 10th 11:30—1PM

For More information visit

<https://www.bridgingthegap.org/green-business-network-events/>



**The 2016 AWMA, CHMM, and KCMB Environmental Law Group
Annual Holiday Social was a success!!!!**

Thanks to all who attended!



Past, Present and Future Board Members!



**Angela Dugan, Gracie Tiffany, &
Ryan Youngstrom**

**Laura Splichal, Otavio Silva &
Sybil Chandler**



Bryan Ross & Jason Franks

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(6 issues), we have over 200
on the circulation list. Send
money to the treasurer and
your business card size ad to
the secretary.**

