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DID YOU KNOW...?

- TCEQ has hurricane response help. See the link for more information, <https://www.tceq.texas.gov/response/hurricanes>
- Pet waste is a top contributor of bacterial pollution in urban watersheds. Pick-up after your pet!
- Avoid putting dairy products, eggs, meat, fish, bones, fats, grease, lard, and oils in your compost. These leftover food items create odor problems and attract pests like rodents and flies.
- GO TEXAN certification mark identifies product that are produced in Texas!



The Lone Star Chapter celebrated eight happy years in July at Dart Bowl! Friends and family came together to enjoy bowling, food, beer, and cake! We are looking forward to another great year for the Chapter!



Compliance Update Corner

Did you know?

- Dental Amalgam effluent guidelines are in effect. New dental offices must comply immediately and existing dental offices comply by 2020. TCEQ will adopt EPS rules by reference. <http://www.epa.gov/eg/dental-effluent-guidelines>
- Beginning January 1, 2018, Tier 2 reporting will be online! Training session and more information can be found at <https://www.tceq.texas.gov/permitting/tier2>
- TCEQ is renewing the Construction General Permit (TXR150000). The proposed 2018 CGP is now available for your review and comments! <https://www.tceq.texas.gov/assistance/resources/permitting/stormwater/>

National AHMP Conference



Leon McCowan (past president), Michael Maheux (National AHMP President), Ester A. Chalmers (Director at Large), David Watkins (Chapter Member), and Matt Wenke (Chapter Member—not pictured) attended the National AHMP conference in Fort Worth, Texas and received the Distinguished Chapter Award on behalf of the Lone Star Chapter. Ester also represented the Chapter at the delegate meeting and gained information about other chapter's outreach efforts. Next year's meeting will be in Reno, Nevada. We hope to see you there!



Events and Meetings...

Join us:

- Meetings are generally held the first Friday of each month from 12:00 pm-1:00 pm
- October 14:** Stream Clean! Email Chapter to register for event
- November 3rd:** Business meeting at Zephyr Environmental in Austin.
- December:** is the Holiday meeting/New Officer Installation. Location TBD



Contact us if:

- You know anyone who would like to present or if you have a topic for a technical presentation
- You would like to post a job announcement, community event, or item of interest to our web page or newsletter



August Meeting



The Chapter was pleased to host an air quality technical session, sponsored by AECOM in Austin. Mark Modrak, AECOM Project Manager, gave a presentation on fenceline monitoring methods for industrial facilities. He specifically addressed the EPA's Petroleum Refinery Sector and Technology Review (RTR) rule that requires all refineries to conduct fenceline air monitoring for benzene using passive sorbent tubes at multiple locations.

Mark manages emissions monitoring projects using optical remote sensing and other technologies to characterize emissions from sources such as refineries, landfills, and agricultural facilities. His presentation showed one of the studies he conducted at a refinery and how the report maintained EPA compliance. For more information about this presentation, email the Chapter.

About us...

The Lone Star Chapter of Alliance of Hazardous Materials Professionals is an organization that enhances professional development through networking with other local EHS professionals from a variety of industries, state agencies, and other private entities. The Lone Star Chapter promotes the CHMM/CHMP credential on a national and international level.

Call for Nominations

It's time for annual chapter nominations!

To nominate, complete our survey:

Click the button at the close of this email, visit: <https://goo.gl/forms/tfZ4hy28PSIDmrdf2> or email Chapter.

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