



# NORTH DAKOTA ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH ASSOCIATION

*NDEHA Presidents Newsletter  
April 19, 2018*

Dear NDEHA Membership,

Last year I sent out my spring newsletter on April 20 and welcomed everyone to spring, unfortunately this year we are still waiting for the warmer temperatures and hopefully no more snow! With that said, please enjoy the following updates/information.

## **2017 NDEHA Annual Fall Conference** – October 18-20, 2017

- Last year's conference held in beautiful Medora, ND was a huge success and we received many positive comments from members who attended the conference.
- Session highlights included:
  - NEHA Executive–Dr. David Dyjack,
  - ND State Health Officer –Mylynn Tufte
  - Service Dogs for America
  - EPA Criminal Enforcement Division
- Members really enjoyed the NDEHA sponsored dinner, which was provided on the second night to celebrate the 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the NDEHA.

## **2018 NDEHA Annual Fall Conference** – October 22-24, 2018

- This year's annual fall conference will be held at the Ramkota Hotel in Bismarck, ND
- Please note the change in the days of the week for this year's conference. It will be held from noon on October 22 (Monday) to noon on October 24 (Wednesday).
  - Unfortunately, the Ramkota could not accommodate NDEHA from Tuesday-Thursday, The members voted in favor of holding it Monday-Wednesday for 2018.
- We will provide more details as it gets closer to the conference.
- Please let Marcie know if you are interested in speaking or have a specific speaker or topic in mind for this year's agenda.

## **NEHA Information** – October 22-24, 2018

- NEHA members approve bylaw change to go from nine membership categories to five. <https://www.neha.org/node/59947>
- NEHA fully endorses Environmental Health Workforce Act. <https://www.neha.org/news-events/latest-news/neha-fully-endorses-environmental-health-workforce-act>

## **CI Sport** – Fargo, ND

- If you are interested in purchasing any NDEHA clothing, etc. please let me know. (see attached flyer)

**NDEHA Sustaining Partnership –**

- Last year we initiated a NDEHA Sustaining Partnership, which was modeled after the NEHA’s Sustaining Membership.
- NDEHA invites non-profit and for-profit organizations to become a sustaining partner of NDEHA for \$250 per year.
- Sustaining partners receive: recognition on the NDEHA website, recognition on the annual NDEHA Fall Conference agenda brochure, a copy of the affiliate newsletters, and fall conference registration for one member.
- To date, we have six inaugural partners that joined in 2017.
- Any NDEHA member can be a recruiter for Sustaining Partnership, please keep in mind any partners you work with that might like to contribute to help financially support NDEHA’s mission in North Dakota.
- Sustaining partnerships help offset standard training and conference costs, which can free up resources to provide other services i.e. last year’s 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary dinner.

**Save the date**

- 2018 NDEHA Fall Conference – Bismarck, ND (Oct. 22-24)
- 2018 NEHA AEC Conference – Anaheim, CA (June 25-28)
- 2019 NEHA Regional Conference – Omaha, NE (Sept 24-26)
- 2019 NDEHA Fall Conference – Grand Forks, ND (Oct 22-24)

**NDEHA Board Information -**

- Your current NDEHA board:

President -Grant Larson	Member-at-large -Aaron Johnson
Past President -Jane Kangas	Treasurer -Jayme Calavera
1 Vice President -Marcie Bata	Secretary -Jessica Trinneer
2 <sup>nd</sup> Vice President -Julie Wagendorf	

- A copy of the board meeting minutes can be viewed via the NDEHA webpage at <http://ndeha.org>
- The NDEHA board approved to work with the Onsite Sewage Treatment Systems Technical Review board for financing options.
- Please let a board member know if you have comments concerning NDEHA’s bylaws.

I would like to thank the board and committee members who contribute their time and talents to the association, as well as all of the members who make up this great organization.

Sincerely,

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