

Southern Indiana Operators Association, Inc. Meeting on March 27, 2019

Please join us in North Vernon, Indiana!

Our host for our March meeting will be the North Vernon WWTP, Superintendent, Russell Vaught.

Plant Description: North Vernon currently operates a Class III, 2.2 MGD single stage nitrification activated sludge treatment facility consisting of grit removal, influent screening, secondary clarification, rapid sand filtration, chlorination/dichlorination facility.

When wet weather exceeds the peak design flow of 4.76 MGD, automatically controlled gates route flow to the equalization (EQ) basin that has a capacity of 1 MG for storage of the "First Flush". Once the EQ basin is full, flow is then directed to the surge basin that has a capacity of 187,000 gallons. From there, flow is sent to the Storm King vortex clarification system for partial treatment and chlorination/dichlorination prior to discharge to the Wet Weather Treatment Facility Outfall.

Plant tours will be held from 10:00am—12:00N.

Lunch will be served at 12N with meeting/program to follow. Lunch will be Pulled pork, Potato salad, baked beans, cole slaw Rolls & Peanut Butter Cake. This will be taking place at the North Vernon Education and Training Center.

Program will be presented by Michael Gangstand, Lochmueller Group. He will give a presentation entitled: City of North Vernon, Long Term Control Plan, Phase II

The tour and the program have been submitted to IDEM for approval of 2 Technical contact hours. (1 for tour, 1 for program)

RESERVATIONS!

Please make reservations prior to Monday, March 25, 2019. Call Shelly Higdon, SIOA Secretary/Treasurer at 317-392-5131 or email sioaofficer@gmail.com. You may also mail in your reservation or payment to Shelly Higdon, Shelbyville WRRF, 775 W. Boggstown Road, Shelbyville, IN 46176.

ALL RESERVATIONS ARE CONSIDERED CONFIRMATIONS AND MUST BE PAID!



\$10.00 / Members

\$20.00 / Non-members

Includes lunch and up to 2 contact hours.

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2019 Membership Dues

- We have an open email to anyone wanting to receive them. The change would include a lower cost of attending meetings/seminars if you are a 'member'. This is similar to what other organizations do.
- The membership dues will still cover a 'calendar year' Jan. to Dec. of that year. You may join at anytime during that year.



**WEDNESDAY
MARCH 20, 2019**

Valle Vista | 755 E Main Street
Greenwood, IN

Registration Open!

APPROVED CONTINUING EDUCATION
6 - T WW 1.5 G WW • 6.0 G - DW • 6.0 PDHs

There are many other opportunities to apply for Awards through IWEA.

Check their website soon, deadlines are FAST approaching!



2019 Wastewater Challenge

REGISTRATION OPEN

TUESDAY, MAY 14, 2019
Nappanee Wastewater Treatment Plant
1401 Derksen Rd, Nappanee, IN

WATER ENVIRONMENT FEDERATION

SAVE THE DATE

DATE

JUNE 4-7

2019

Collection Systems

Race to Indy – 25 Years of Wet Weather Control
Indianapolis, Indiana



2019 ANNUAL CONFERENCE
Grand Wayne Convention Center
August 21-23

SAVE THE DATE
Registration to open in early June

The SIOA met in Columbus on February 20, 2019. A tour was taken of the wwtp. After a lunch of Chicago Pizza, breadsticks, salad, chips & cookies, President Travis Calhoun brought the meeting to order at 12:30pm. There were 30 members present.

Travis welcomed everyone to Columbus and introduced Randy Duckworth, Columbus Wastewater Superintendent. Randy welcomed everyone and introduced his 'team'.

Travis announced a welcome to Ed Williams, Shelbyville, to his first SIOA meeting as a Certified operator and that he is earning his first two technical hours with SIOA.

Reading of last minutes: Secretary, Shelly Higdon, read the minutes from the Annual Banquet. Omission of the recipient of the Class III Plant of the Year, Edinburgh needed to be added. Carlos Doyle motioned minutes to be approved as read with correction, Dave Taylor seconded.

Treasurer's Report: The 2018 Profit and loss statement was reviewed by membership. Ending Balance of February was around \$9,700. Dave Taylor motioned that the treasurer's report be approved as read, John Rigdon, seconded.

Old Business:

The SIOA planning committee met on Jan. 25th in Shelbyville. We had 10 members in attendance. A great turnout and hopefully a great start to 2019.

New Business:

All members received an invite to a Certification Review Class in Osgood. This will be taking place in Osgood, by Wastewater 101, Barb Smith. If anyone is interested, please contact Barb Smith.

IWEA News: IWEA Rep., Steve Dickerson announced the IWEA Wastewater Challenge is coming up in May at Nappanee. If any members are interested in being on a team, please let us know. Also, there is a Core Conference coming up on March 20th at Valle Vista.

Dave Taylor said the IIOA Conference will be Apr. 2-4th, 2019.

A motion to adjourn meeting @12:43pm by Rusty Snyder, seconded by Dave Taylor.

Travis Calhoun introduced Ashley Getz, Strand, who presented us with a presentation on Phosphorus Removal Techniques.

Door prizes won by Melanie Taylor, Mark Joslin, Dave Taylor & Garrie Ritchie.

Respectfully Submitted,

Michele Higdon

2019 Schedule

January—No
meeting

February 20—
Columbus

March 20—
North Vernon

April 17—

May 15—
Greensburg

June 19—
Jeffersonville

July 17—Annual
Picnic

August—

September 11—
Golf Outing in
North Vernon

October 16—

November 20—

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Address/Directions to the Plant & Meeting:

**Plant Address: North Vernon Wastewater Treatment Plant,
725 N. Greensburg St., North Vernon, IN 47265**

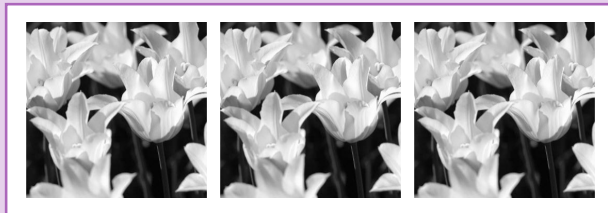
**Meeting will be at the North Vernon Education and Training
Center.**

**Address: 1200 W. O & M St., North Vernon, IN 47265.
(Alternate address is 1200 W. CR 150 NV.)**

APOLOGIES & CONGRATS!

2019 Class III Plant of the Year

CONGRATULATIONS to Edinburg Wastewater
Treatment Plant!! For some reason I did not
have them listed on last months Newsletter!



** Interested in presenting a program? **

For all who have something to share! Operators, Lab Techs,
Superintendents, Engineers, Sales Reps, All of You!!

Sharing the knowledge is very important!
Why not take your experience in the field, struggles, successes,
etc and pass that on to the next generation!

Send a short bio of yourself, topic of your presentation and
outline. We will keep it on file for a future meeting or put you
on the books today!

This will also help us in getting presentations we know our
membership wants to hear and gives of that extra time to get
these approved ahead of time with IDEM.

Thank you! Looking forward to getting some great topics!