



# State Director Reports

## Maine

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The first five months of the year have been busy for the Maine

Wastewater Control Association. Association President Dave Anderson and the Government Affairs Committee, along with other members, have spent a lot of time in Augusta testifying on bills before the Legislature that ranged from funding for water and wastewater plants to Maine Department of Environmental Protection (MEDEP) licensing fee increases to CSO issues. Our presence and testimony has had an impact.

The Maine Wastewater Control Association held its annual Spring Technical Conference at Verrillo's in Portland on April 6. Despite the terrible weather earlier in the week, the conference was a great success. One hundred and twenty-six attendees enjoyed a wide range of topics and networking provided by the technical sessions. Maine Attorney General Steven Rowe addressed the group at lunch. The executive committee thanks NEWEA President Arnie Bevins for attending and participating at the conference.

The Past President Award was presented by David Anderson to Andy Rudzinski, and presentation of NEWEA and WEF awards were made by Arnie Bevins as follows:

- Alfred Jellison, Bangor WWTP - *Operator Award*
- Michael Grove, Augusta Sanitary District *Alfred E. Peloquin Award*;
- Douglas Lee Miller, OMI, Inc. *Clair N. Sawyer Award*;
- Force Maine Operations Challenge Team - *First Place Process Control at 2006 WEF Operations Challenge.* (The team comprises Brian Cataldo, Dan LaFlamme, Travis Peaslee, Mary Anne Peck and Skip Clough.)

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) awards were presented by David Chin, EPA Region 1, to Donald Albert, ME DEP, for the 2006 State Wastewater Onsite Technical Assistance Provider Award, and the 1st Place CSO Management Award was presented to Norm Lamie and Andy Farris of the Auburn Sewerage District. Congratulations to all!

The winner of this year's Clean Water Week Poster Contest is Taylor Clark, a seventh grader at Central



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Middle School in Corinth, Maine. The artwork was excellent and fit the theme "What Does Clean Water Mean to ME." Taylor gets \$200 cash for his hard work, and the official presentation of the prize will be given to him by Governor John Baldacci during Clean Water Week in June. The Governor will receive a framed copy of Taylor's poster to hang in the state house. Along with copies of Taylor's poster, bookmarks are being made up that will display the top three winning poster entries. The Maine Wastewater Control Association has sponsored the poster contest since 1983 with the goal of heightening not only students' but also teachers' awareness of environmental issues and the necessity of clean water.

For the latest news and information concerning the Maine Wastewater Control Association, please visit our website at [www.mwwca.org](http://www.mwwca.org)



**MWWCA President David Anderson addressing audience at 2007 Spring Technical Conference**

**Below: Donald Albert (left) receiving the 2006 State Wastewater Onsite Technical Assistance Provider Award from David Chin, USEPA Region 1 (Photo Credit: Charlie Tyler)**

