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SunKing: Electronics Recycling Facility

At SunKing, we pride ourselves on being pioneers and professionals in the recycling frontier. For over a decade we have been providing superior electronics recycling services to residents and businesses. We are R2 certified which means we do not ship any unprocessed materials overseas. It's a fully transparent and secure process so you know when you recycle with us your equipment will be handled properly. If you recycle a hard drive with us it's wiped and shredded so you don't have to worry about identity theft.

Protecting your personal and business information in today's digital age is more important now than ever. With the use of increasingly sophisticated tactics, an attacker wishing to gain access to sensitive information often looks for improperly disposed of computer equipment containing media storage devices. Every piece of equipment that SunKing receives goes through a secure data destruction process to ensure that your sensitive information remains private. Our process uses a combination of "secure erase" commands built into the drives themselves, DoD approved multi-pass wiping and physical destruction (shredding) of drives.

Most electronics are 100% recyclable. Common materials that are recovered through our process for reuse include glass, copper, aluminum, tin, steel, iron, plastic, silver, platinum, and gold. In addition to these reusable materials, there are also a handful of harmful and highly toxic substances such as lead, mercury, beryllium, lithium, cadmium, BRFs (Brominated Flame Retardants), PCBs (Polychlorinated Biphenyls), and PVC (Polyvinyl Chloride).

Electronics and equipment that are determined to have additional value from a refurbishing and reuse standpoint are first checked to ensure that all hard drives have been removed before being sent to SunKing's Inventory Production, eBay or Wholesale operations. Items are researched, tested, refurbished and resold through various sales channels.

If electronics and equipment are not candidates for refurbishing or reuse are sent through a manual dismantling process where materials are de-manufactured into various metals, plastics and glass and sold as commodities. All hard drives and media storage devices are removed and sent to a secure hard drive wiping/shredding area to ensure our client's data remains private.

SunKing has created a network of permanent drop-off sites and one day collection events for residents and businesses throughout New York and Western Pennsylvania. Residents are given access to a convenient location to bring electronics and equipment for recycling at any of these drop-offs. All hard drives and personal information will be handled in a sensitive nature to ensure that all personal data is either wiped or physically destroyed. We also have a great event we do this time every year called E-Scrap 4 Camp.



For the month of April 2015, Sunnking will provide free electronics recycling supplies and pick-ups at participating schools, businesses, non-profits and other organizations in the Buffalo and Rochester area. Organizations are encouraged to collect old and unwanted electronics from employees, friends and family.

Sunnking will donate money to Camp Good Days for every pound of electronics recycled. In the first 4 years a total of 1,419,551 lbs. of electronics were collected and recycled resulting in over \$42,000 donated to Camp Good Days on behalf of Sunnking.



President's Message – March/April 2015



In the course of day to day activity we continue to be reminded of our collective interest in environmental stewardship. Every activity carries with it some aspect of preference and environmental choice – an opportunity to continue established practice or to identify and implement some form of process improvement – another way that we can make a difference in the environment and

for the future.

The New York Federation Conference held on May 3 through 6, 2015 showcases the environmental stewardship aspect of our industry. With respect to what we previously called waste, the collection, transport, separation, recovery, re-use, processing, and energy generation aspects bear witness to the on-going shift in our waste management paradigm. All with a focus on efficiency, synergy, and reducing the overall carbon footprint of the process.

On June 10, the New York State Chapter of SWANA will host our Spring Technical Seminar exploring the topic of New York City's strategy for managing recyclable material and waste. The program, held at _____ highlights activities associated with large scale material collection and transport and strategies to necessary to optimize the management of a steady stream of materials.

These programs are invaluable for sharing, communicating, sparking discussion, and keeping open the on-going dialog of the waste management paradigm shift. We encourage as many as possible to take advantage of these conferences and to contribute to the dialog. Thank you.

Mark Swyka
President

Annual Member Meeting Scheduled

Please join us for the Annual Member Meeting to be held May 4, 2015 at the Federation Conference to be held at the Sagamore in Bolton Landing, NY. The Annual Meeting will take place from 2:00pm-2:30pm in the Conference Center-Triuna Room.

The Board will be providing updates of the Chapter's finances, scholarship program, membership, young professionals program, upcoming technical seminars, product stewardship, webinar opportunities and nominations for the upcoming Board terms.

To view previous meeting minutes visit:
www.swananys.org

SWANA Executive Director

On April 30, 2015 John Skinner will retire after serving 18 years as CEO of the Solid Waste Association of North America (SWANA). Over the 18 years SWANA has grown and evolved into the organization we know today with 8,300 members from both the public and private sectors in 45 chapters across North America. We wish the very best to John Skinner and thank him for his years of dedication.

After a nationwide search it was announced David Biderman will be the next Executive Director and CEO as of May 1, 2015. Mr. Biderman has worked at the National Waste and Recycling Association and its predecessors for 18 years, most recently as Vice President of Government Affairs and General Counsel. Prior to working in the waste industry, he worked as an environmental and transportation attorney at Steptoe & Johnson, a Washington DC based law firm. We welcome Mr. Biderman and look forward to SWANA continuing to advance the field of solid waste.

Welcome Our New Members

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Upcoming Events

Federation Conference
May 3-6, 2015
Bolton Landing, NY
Visit <http://www.nyfederation.org>

NRC Sustainable Materials Management Summit
May 12-13, 2015
College Park, Maryland
www.nrcrecycles.org/get-involved/2015smmsummit

Waste Expo
June 2-4, 2015
Las Vegas, Nevada
www.wasteexpo.com

Northeast Recycling Conference & Expo
June 8-9, 2015
Manchester, New Hampshire
www.nrra.net

Air & Waste Management Association Conference & Exhibition
June 22-25, 2015
Raleigh, North Carolina
www.awma.org

PROP Recycling & Organics Conference
July 28-31, 2015
Harrisburg, Pennsylvania
www.propercycles.org



What is SWANA's Young Professionals (YP) Group?

It is a group of individuals who represent the future of the solid waste industry. They are passionate about the environment, our industry, and helping each other succeed. YP'S are eager to offer advice, brainstorm ideas, develop solutions, and share in the struggles and triumphs of working in this business. A "Young Professional" is defined as an individual in the solid waste industry 35 or younger.

Why Join?

Here are a few of the many benefits you'll receive by joining SWANA's Young Professional group:

- Excellent networking opportunities at events, conferences, and online
- Webinars targeted at helping you navigate the challenges of the solid waste industry
- Resources that provide you with tools and information needed to succeed in your career
- Opportunities to voice your opinion about the future of SWANA

How Do You Join?

New member Young Professionals pay a special first-year membership fee of \$100. Click [here](#) to join SWANA and provide your birth month and year when prompted. Then once your membership is complete, log-in to your MySWANA account to connect with other YPs under the community tab, interact with us on Twitter @SWANA or check in with the YP LinkedIn Group.

If you have any questions, please contact Shelby Truxon. How Do You Get Involved as Part of the NY Chapter? Recruitment, development and involvement of Young Professionals (YPs) are critical to the future of SWANA. That's why SWANA developed a Regional Representative Initiative to foster YP participation at the local level through a team of regional reps and chapter liaisons.

Contact Luann Meyer at lmeyer@bartonandloguidice.com!

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Opportunity to Offset College or Professional Training Costs!

Apply Today- 2015 Scholarship Opportunity

In an effort to promote education and professional development to SWANA members and their families, the Solid Waste Association of North America (SWANA) has established the Grant H. Flint Scholarship Awards Program. Scholarships/Grants are available at the local SWANA level for all award Categories and at the national SWANA level for Categories I, II and III. In addition, to the Scholarship/Grants at the local level and the national level the SWANA New York Chapter is expanding funding for the scholarship program to include private company sponsorship.

Applications will be accepted until May 1, 2015 and award(s) will be announced by June 3, 2015. Candidates selected for awards will be contacted directly by the Scholarship Committee, and the award(s) will be announced in a future SWANA newsletter.

Awards are determined based on a review of the SWANA New York Chapter Scholarship Committee. Awards are based on the overall achievements of the individual candidate, and not solely on academic performance. Awards are offered in the following four categories:

- Category I – Category I is for students entering their first year of college. The major selected by the applicant does not need to be focused on the sciences, engineering, or related environmental field. Eligible candidates include relatives of SWANA members or residents of New York State; preference will be given to relatives of SWANA members.
- Category IA – Category IA is for entering college sophomores. Eligible candidates include relatives of New York SWANA Chapter members or residents of New York State; preference will be given to relatives of SWANA members, and to candidates matriculating in a major focused on sciences, engineering, public policy, or other related environmental field.
- Category II – Category II is for entering college juniors or seniors matriculating in a major focused on sciences, engineering, public policy, or other related environmental field. Eligible candidates include relatives of New York SWANA Chapter members or residents of New York State; preference will be given to relatives of SWANA members and candidates matriculating in a field associated with the management of solid waste.
- Category III – Category III is for students enrolled in a graduate school program focused on the sciences, engineering, public policy, or related environmental field. Eligible candidates include relatives of New York SWANA Chapter members or residents of New York State; preference will be given to relatives of New York SWANA Chapter members and candidates matriculating in a field associated with the management of solid waste.
- Category IV - Category IV is for New York SWANA Chapter members who are pursuing educational opportunities, training or professional development. Eligible candidates include members of the New York SWANA Chapter; preference will be given to those matriculating toward a degree; and to coursework, training or professional development in an environmental related field, including public policy.

Application Form

Candidates in Category I, II, or III should use the national SWANA application forms and instructions found at www.swana.org. Candidates in Category IA or IV will not be eligible for participation in the national SWANA program and therefore should use the attached simplified application form and submittal guidelines.

To be considered please complete the appropriate application form, attach information required for the Category applied for, and send the package, with a cover letter, to:

Martin Bellew
NY SWANA Scholarship Committee
44 Cricklewood North
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SWANA NYS Chapter Technical Conference June 10, 2015



The NYS Chapter of SWANA is excited to announce an upcoming technical session highlighting the NYC Department of Sanitation. This event is co-hosted

by Cooper Union Office of Continuing Education & Public Programs.

The event to be held on June 10 at the Fredrick P. Rose Auditorium at Cooper Union, NY will provide a historical prospective of New York's Department of Sanitation from early days in 1881 to the present.

Additional sessions will focus on exporting waste post Fresh Kills Landfill, reviewing the new Snow Sectoring Plan and economic impacts, developing a fleet sustainability program, utilizing a customized fleet tracking application and Global Positioning Satellite technology, use of media and mobile technology tools, organics collection and lastly a discussions of DSNY's Solid Waste Management Plan facility siting efforts and initiatives, including legal challenges to the proposed Marine Transfer Stations and the Court decisions resolving the challenges and efforts to build support for the Plan.

Full Registration information will be available soon. Please visit www.swananys.org.

Federation Conference

The nationally acclaimed conference conducted by the Federation of New York Solid Waste Associations will return to The Sagamore on Lake George (NY) once again this year. The Sagamore, one of New York's landmark hotels, is situated on its own 80-acre island and is listed on the National Register of Historic Places. The conference attracts over 700 public and private sector solid waste and recycling professionals to a technical program with 90 presentations and an expanded Trade Show that is supported by 120 major exhibitors.

Following the Federation's tradition, this year's presentations are as diverse as the solid waste stream. National and local speakers will be presenting new information on topics such as food waste collection & composting, landfill cover, textile recycling, succession planning, leachate management, landfill gas, e-waste, solar power and landfills, and remedial action at landfills.

This year's keynote speaker is Sharon Kneiss, Executive Director for the National Waste and Recycling Association (NWRA). The NWRA is the leading voice of the private-sector US waste and recycling industry and the manufacturers and service providers that do business with those companies. NWRA provides leadership, advocacy, research and safety expertise in North American waste and recycling to help achieve safe, sustainable and environmentally sound services. Sharon's presentation will speak to innovation and industry excellence with a focus on the key drivers leading the trends in materials services across the country. The conference begins on Sunday evening, May 3rd with a Welcome Reception followed by fireworks over Lake George. Many networking opportunities are available throughout the conference. An additional benefit is the opportunity to participate in sessions that are eligible for professional development hours. Visit <http://www.nyfederation.org/> for more information.



UPCOMING WEBINARS

As a member benefit New York State chapter members can participate in National SWANA webinars for free! For your Chapter's debit card code and instructions on how to use it, visit www.SWANA.org .

April 29, 2015 - This SWANA Webinar will discuss how Landfill Gas (LFG) data is collected in the field, as well as how it is managed and analyzed to identify problems and improve collection system efficiency.

May 6, 2015 - Well Dewatering: Gas Collection and Control System Operations and Maintenance

Matthew E. Estabrooks, P.E., Senior Project Engineer, Sanborn, Head & Associates, Inc.

Effective operation of a landfill gas collection and control system (GCCS) is paramount for landfill operators seeking vertical or horizontal expansions. This is true even for closed landfill operators who are just trying to limit post-closure costs. Limiting the potential for odors, subsurface landfill gas migration, greenhouse gas emissions, and generating electricity are all benefits of good GCCS operation. But, there are hurdles that can keep a system from accomplishing these goals. This SWANA Webinar will look at how condensate can act as one pitfall to achieving effective operation of a GCCS.

An understanding of the effects of condensate accumulation in gas wells and conveyance pipe is key to running any GCCS. This presentation will outline practical solutions and technologies to improve GCCS performance by preventing and dealing with the effects of condensate on a system. This includes identifying components of the GCCS affected by condensate accumulation; measuring liquid levels in vertical gas wells; managing and assessing liquid level data; and operating and maintaining the condensate pump.

Many factors, ranging from environmental to administrative, can lead to a reduction in the effectiveness of a GCCS, and potentially put the landfill owner or operator at risk of not meeting critical objectives. By getting a handle on condensate, an owner or operator can remove one factor that could seriously hamper the GCCS.

May 13, 2015 - Atmospheric Hazards - Gas Meter Selection, Use, and Care

Sterling R. Kenyon, Health & Safety Specialist, SCS Engineers

This SWANA Webinar will cover personal monitoring for common atmospheric hazards at landfills and transfer stations. It will cover personal gas meter selection criteria including sensor selection, unit initial cost, durability, and maintenance costs. This information will come from a variety of industry leading manufacturers with no bias towards a given unit. Some of the information in this section will be anecdotal based on upon the past experiences of the presenter.

The second part of this webinar will provide a detailed discussion on meter use. It will be tailored for the 4 most common atmospheric hazards that are encountered at solid waste facilities: methane, hydrogen sulfide, carbon monoxide, and oxygen deficiency. These hazards will be defined in regards to where they are most likely encountered, the OSHA acceptable working standards (permissible exposure limits), and their symptomology.

This portion will also contain information on meter calibration, alarm response protocols, sensor care to prevent premature failure, and passive versus active monitoring. We will discuss the appropriate methods to avoid exposure to these dangerous environments, including landfill gas collection and control system maintenance and the standard hierarchy of controls, with particular care given to engineering controls and Personal Protective Equipment. Webinar attendees will also be educated in first aid for victims exposed to the four most common atmospheric hazards.

The last section of the presentation will cover meter care. Attendees will be given information on long term maintenance of personal gas meters and gas detection program elements. Maintenance topics will cover the potential for in-house repairs and the life-expectancy of the meters. The basics for a gas monitoring program will be discussed, including near-miss alarm incidents and remote monitoring capabilities.

After attending this webinar, participants will:

- Have a good understanding on how to select monitoring devices for their particular needs in the solid waste industry
- Have a functional knowledge of how to use a personal air monitor device
- Have knowledge on how to maintain a personal air monitor
- Have familiarity with how a monitoring program should function

Regional Greenhouse Gas Initiative Exceeds Expectations

The Regional Greenhouse Gas Initiative (RGGI) is a cooperative effort by participating states (Connecticut, Delaware, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, New York, Rhode Island, and Vermont) to reduce emissions of carbon dioxide (CO₂) that causes global warming. A regulated power plant must hold CO₂ allowances equal to its emissions for each three-year control period.

Since 2008, when RGGI was initiated, a total of \$1,935,045,944.05 in revenue has been raised. New York is the largest state in the nine state coalitions and has the highest pollution emitted resulting in \$144,866,369.78 received towards the New York State Energy Research and Development Authority (NYSERDA). The accumulative funds received by New York are approximately \$728 million since the start in 2008.

In 2014, RGGI had a positive year further demonstrating that reducing climate-changing pollution in a way that raises funds for clean energy can be beneficial. Four carbon allowance auctions were held and at the final December 3 auction it established a new record high of \$5.21 per allowance which is a jump for the average price in 2013 of \$2.92 per CO₂ allowance. For 2014, a total of \$347,287,309.09 was raised and all of the 77,751,106 allowances offered were sold.

The first auction of 2015 which marked the third control period (January 1, 2015- December 31, 2017) was held March 11, 2015. The auction was successful as 15,272,670 CO₂ allowances were sold at a clearing price of \$5.41. Allowances sold represent 100 percent of the CO₂ allowances offered for sale by the nine states. Bids for the CO₂ allowances ranged from \$2.05 to \$12.50 per allowance.

The continued success of RGGI has drawn attention to New York's lack of development of a comprehensive climate action plan beyond last year's RGGI reforms. New York City is moving forward to begin the process of developing a plan which includes transportation, construction and more.

Voluntary Product Stewardship Program for Carpet

A voluntary product stewardship program has been developed to assist sorters of postconsumer carpet diverted from landfills. Participants include the Carpet and Rug Institute (CRI) which is focused on educating customers and industry on carpet, and the Carpet America Recovery Effort (CARE), an organization focused on advancing market-based solutions for post-consumer carpet. The CRI members are participating voluntarily and committed \$4.5 Million for the initial year of the program.

The objectives of the program are to maintain a competitive carpet flooring industry that is both sustainable and viable and to promote and support the CARE mission to facilitate an initiative to find market-driven solutions to the diversion of post-consumer carpet from landfills as an alternative to EPR (extended producer responsibility) –type legislation or regulations.

The program's goal is to provide financial assistance to qualified domestic sorters who divert postconsumer carpet from landfills. The program is available across the United States, except for carpet collected or sorted in states or local municipalities that have Extended Producer Responsibility (EPR) legislation or regulations for post-consumer carpet. The program launch date was in January 2015 and it accepts all applicable post-consumer carpet regardless of the polymer type, primary materials or construction.

The program provides funds to sorters in order to increase the volume of post-consumer carpet diverted from the landfill. Sorters are the primary people who receive post-consumer carpet from collectors. Through the process of sorting, a percentage of post-consumer carpet may be able to be recycled or diverted. This funding may help sorters increase their businesses by developing new outlets for the post-consumer carpet. Qualified sorters may request funds for the following uses: sorted output sold and shipped to internal or external processors, sorted output sold and shipped to alternative fuel uses such as waste-to-energy, pyrolysis, cement kilns and carpet as alternative fuel or post-consumer carpet re-use.

In addition to the financial support that qualified sorters receive, it allows them to meet needs of architects, designers, and specifiers; helps to meet customer sustainability expectations and provides an opportunity to claim credit for landfill diversion, avoiding CO₂ emissions and water savings.

For more information on the program visit www.carpetrecovery.org.

Transitioning to Automated Curbside Recycling Collection

Lori Van Bemden, Recycling Coordinator, City of Tampa
Like many municipalities across the United States, the City of Tampa, Florida, recently transitioned to automated curbside residential recycling with 96-gallon recycling carts. These new carts are a means of increasing recycling participation and the tonnage of recyclables recovered from residential customers.

This SWANA Webinar will offer an overview of how the City of Tampa successfully implemented its new "Be Smart, Use Your Cart!" automated curbside residential recycling program. The presentation will cover the development of an effective communications strategy, lessons learned from the cart distribution process, and program results to date. The presenter will also share key insights into a selective cart distribution process that offers unique challenges and benefits.

From this webinar, participants will be able to:

- Understand the steps required to successfully transition from manual recycling collection to automated carted collection
- Learn how to develop a cart distribution strategy that meets your needs and provides quality data to evaluate the program
- Identify means of reducing contamination from automated recycling
- Identify common challenges municipalities face while implementing automated recycling
- Review lessons learned from the City of Tampa's experience
- Get tips on ways to ensure effective communications with customers, internal staff, and elected officials

JOB OPPORTUNITIES

Fulton County - Director of Solid Waste Management

The Fulton County Board of Supervisors is accepting applications for the position of Director of Solid Waste Management. This department head position has responsibility for planning, organizing, directing and managing the operation of the Fulton County Department of Solid Waste. The Director is a highly technical administrative position involving planning and managing the County's solid waste disposal system including landfill operations and recycling programs. The Department operates modern, state-of-the-art facilities and management involves responsibility for staff supervision, budget controls, public relations, engineering services and energy-efficiency programs.

Minimum Qualifications Include:

- a) Graduation from a regionally accredited or New York State registered four-year college or university, with a Bachelor's Degree in civil engineering, mechanical engineering, environmental engineering, or related engineering degree and three years experience in the design, construction, management or operation of a solid waste management facility or an industrial plant or other facility of similar complexity; or
- b) Graduation from a regionally accredited State registered college or university with an Associate Degree in engineering, environmental science, environmental planning, construction technology or related degree and a minimum of eight (8) years experience as Director or Deputy Director involving the design, construction, management or operation of a modern multi-faceted solid waste management facility.

Salary Range: \$80,000.00 to \$94,000.00 per year, commensurate with qualifications and experience.

Interested candidates must send a cover letter, detailed resume and the names, addresses and telephone numbers of three professional references and three personal references by Friday, May 1, 2015 to:

Fulton County Board of Supervisors
c/o Mr. Jon R. Stead, Administrative Officer
County Office Building, Room 203
223 W. Main Street, Johnstown, NY 12095

Fulton County is an affirmative action/equal opportunity employer in compliance with ADA requirements.

JOB OPPORTUNITIES (Continued)

OSWEGO COUNTY - DIRECTOR OF SOLID WASTE PROGRAMS

The Director of Solid Waste Programs is responsible for providing Oswego County residents, businesses, industries, contractors and developers access to facilities for the safe disposal of solid waste. This is highly technical work requiring oversight of all aspects of planning, managing, regulating and directing a comprehensive solid waste management program. The incumbent reports to the County Administrator and is responsive to the direction of a 25-member County Legislature.

Primary responsibilities include:

- Administering solid waste operations at the five County transfer stations;
- Managing operations at the sanitary landfill and ancillary services;
- Maintaining the solid waste fleet of road tractors and transfer trailers, heavy equipment and other rolling stock;
- Managing operations at the County's waste to energy facility;
- Enforcing the County's Recycling and Solid Waste Local Law including import/export prohibition;
- Operating a Hazardous Waste Collection Program serving homeowners and small businesses;
- Managing the receipt and transport of recyclables and administration of related contracts;
- Administering, promoting and monitoring waste reduction/recycling programs including residential and business recycling, organics management, electronic recycling and battery collection program;
- Providing educational materials to residents, community groups, schools and businesses describing proper solid waste management practices;
- Ensuring self-sufficiency of the department through management of the solid waste department enterprise accounting of the solid waste operations, equipment purchases and capital improvements;
- Ensuring department operations are conducted within the parameters set by local, state and federal laws and regulations.

Minimum Qualifications for the Director of Solid Waste Programs

- A. Graduation from a regionally accredited or NYS registered college or university with a master's degree in civil or mechanical engineering, or closely related field, and five (5) years of professional administrative experience involving planning, directing, and coordinating activities and staff in a solid waste program or power plant; OR
- B. Graduation from a regionally accredited or NYS registered college or university with a bachelor's degree in civil or mechanical engineering, or closely related field, and seven (7) years of professional administrative experience involving planning, directing, and coordinating activities and staff in a solid waste program or power plant; OR
- C. An equivalent combination of education and experience as defined by the limits of "A" and "B" above.

How to Apply

Application review will begin May 6, 2015 and continue until the position is filled.

View the on-line posting for full details at: <http://oswegocounty.com/personnel/openings.php>.

Forward a completed Oswego County Employment Application, Letter of Interest and Résumé to the Oswego County Department of Personnel,
46 East Bridge Street, Oswego, NY, 13126
or Email: personnel@oswegocounty.com.
Call 315.349.8209 if you have any questions about the application process.