



Water/Wastewater Industry Division

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Calendar of WWID Events

- Nov 2-6, 2013 **ISA Fall Leaders Meeting & 51st ISA Honors & Awards Gala**
Nashville, Tennessee, USA
- June 2014 **ISA Spring Leaders Meeting**
Raleigh, North Carolina, USA
- Aug 5-7, 2014 **2014 ISA Water/Wastewater and Automatic Controls Symposium**
Crowne Plaza Orlando-Universal Hotel
Orlando, Florida, USA

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Fall 2013 Newsletter

Director's Welcome



All volunteer organizations run on cycles, and our WWID is no exception. As a volunteer within our division, I have had the chance to wear several hats over the years. From a symposium speaker, to board member at large, to marketing chair, general symposium chair, and finally director, I have had the

opportunity to “cycle through” a number of roles over years. Each has been an experience where I have met interesting people and learned a lot, both professionally and personally.

As I write this director's welcome message, one of my many volunteer hats is in the process of being passed onto the next person. For the past 2 years (2012 and 2013) I have had the unique experience of being the general chair for our ISA Water/Wastewater and Automatic Controls Symposium. Like other volunteer experiences I have undertaken, it has been an interesting ride. I got to stretch myself in ways I never would have previously thought of. And while it has required that extra bit of effort at times, the rewards from doing so have been numerous.

Part of a volunteer's responsibility is to always look to the future and have a succession plan in place. As I knew my “cycle” as symposium chair would come to a close in late-2013, it has been a great experience to develop a succession plan and put it into action. During the past year I have been

working closely with our incoming 2014 chair Kevin Patel to help him learn about all the different aspects of our annual conference and what goes into it. Having Kevin as the 2013 Assistant Chair has also been a great help, as I could spend some time to work out some more of the logistical details in order to lay the foundation for stronger symposiums in the years to come. I have every confidence that Kevin and his volunteer team will do an excellent job during his tenure as our 2014 and 2015 symposium chair.

In these pages, you will read out the plans that are already in place for our 2014 symposium. Kevin has been hard at work putting together the new volunteer team, and our long-time program chair Joe Provenzano returns to continue doing his usual excellent job. Don't forget to mark your calendars for August 5-7, 2014 and take a look at the Call for Abstracts.

In these pages you will also see a comprehensive report on our 2013 symposium, which was just held Aug 6-8, 2013. Don't forget to take a look at the photos and congratulate our winners for Best Paper, Best Presentation, and Best Poster.

Two more things: First, make sure to check our WWID student scholarship on page 12: applications are due Jan 31. Second, make sure to check out the two technical articles in this issue – both are originals written just for the WWID.

Graham Nasby
WWID Director