

Southern Air Mail

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Notes from the Editor

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2014 Annual Meeting: For those of you unable to attend the Annual Meeting in Montgomery, you missed a good meeting as usual. Alabama Chapter did an excellent job as hosts for this Annual Meeting. Another aspect of this meeting compared to meetings in other venues in the past was that ADEM supported the meeting with attendees, presentations, and hosting a field trip to a measurable extent. All enjoyable. Proceedings of the meeting have been posted on web site (http://www.ssthe awma.org/annual.php) for those of you wanting to review the various presentations. In fact, two of the presenters (Col. Chytka and Mr. Sibley) have already submitted some supplemental information updating their presentation. Some of you may be interested. Of course, if you were unable to attend you can see the slide shows of all the presentations. In the meantime, if you have a question you may contact Steven Burns, Scott Sanders, Debra Dawson, Hayleigh Barlar, Tom Lotz, or Larry Spann whose contact information is on the Section web site, either at http://www.ss-awma.org/board.php http://www.ss-awma.org/alabama.php.

Sponsors and Exhibitors: I am including information on our exhibitors and sponsors again this year (see below). Without such wonderful support from them the meeting would probably be a financial disaster. As a result of such fine support again this year the host chapter did not have any financial worries. As stated above, Chapter leadership did a yeoman's job in pulling together another fine meeting. The leaders were quick to emphasize that it was a chapter effort. Therefore, the Chapter members' support for this

meeting was critical and is appreciated.

Scholarships: One bit of news that is not too widely publicized, especially if one is unable to attend the Annual Meeting each year, is the recognition of 1 - 3 students through presenting graduate student scholarships by the Southern Section. This year's competition resulted in an unusual situation: both winners of the scholarships (see picture below) were from the same school, Georgia Institute of Technology. Because of cash flow problems the Section was able to award only 2 scholarships. This is due partly to the decision the Board made last year to return a larger portion of member dues to the Chapters where most of the activity occurs. Another reason is that membership has been rather stagnant, and low, since the economic downturn in 2008.



Karoline Johnson & Lucas Henneman, GA Tech; Shelby Stringfellow, Southern Section Chair

Another interesting bit of news regarding scholarships is the commitment by Sanders Engineering and Analytical Services, Inc.

Sanders has been a long time supporter of the Southern Section but at this meeting they committed to providing \$3,000 annually to the AL Chapter for awarding scholarships. **THANK YOU!!!**

Newsletter: I am still amenable to accepting technical articles, or articles of general or human interest from you as members of this Association, Southern Section. If you have a topic of interest but in which you don't think that you have the expertise, please let me know and I will explore the possibility of getting the topic covered in this newsletter.

Student Chapter: The Alabama Chapter has initiated action to begin a student chapter at the University of AL in Tuscaloosa. In fact, progress has been rapid thanks to the good work of Harrison Freeman, student, and Tim Martin, ADEM, Chapter representative. Progress has been so rapid that the Chapter met Wednesday, November 12 to sign the petition to the A&WMA Headquarters in Pittsburgh for its official charter. All paper work has been submitted to the Sections & Chapters Council

(S&CC) at HQ. A couple of pictures showing student attendees at the November 12 meeting and elected chapter officers are shown here.





NOTICE!

If you have not returned your ballot for officers whom you wish to represent you for 2015 you have one week remaining. If you need a ballot please notify mainting1@bellsouth.net.

All A&WMA members may vote!

2014 Annual Meeting

September 10 - 12, 2014 Montgomery, AL

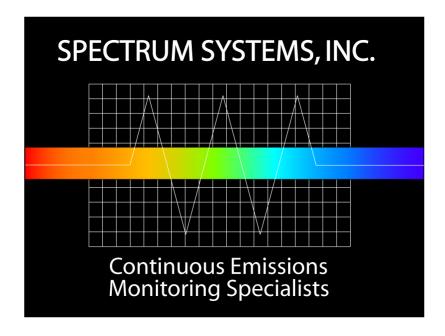
Sponsors at our Annual Meeting were:





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Below are a few pictures of exhibitor employees and attendees.

If I have misidentified anyone, I apologize.



Brandy Tiblier, ADEM Land Division



Terry Neese, Scott Biggs, & Guest



Tom Downs, C.I. Agent



Kyle McCulloch & Sanjay Datar, Allen Engineering



Kevin Fullmer, ADEM; Mike Taylor, Catalyst Air & Guest



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Karen Brignac & Elizabeth Grinder, PPM w/ potential customers



Zane Hood, PPM; Mac McCullough, RAM Tech; & Larry Milliner, Sessions Co. Inc.



Tim Martin and Kevin Dees, Research Solutions



Joe Sanders & Spencer Edwards, Sanders Engr.; w/ Jason Franklin, American Colloid

One last item that may be of interest to many of our members. Did you know that your chapter also provides **scholarships** to students within the respective chapter states. The AL Chapter usually includes undergraduate students in the competition. Other chapters and the Section usually is for graduate students. Students, another potential source for funding. Contact the appropriate chapter person, who can be found on the Southern Section, A&WMA web site, http://www.ssawma.org/, and click on the appropriate state. Here is a picture of the students awarded scholarships by the MS Chapter for 2014-15. Dallas Baker, MS Chapter, is the incoming President of the A&WMA International.



Richard Blanchard, Spectrum w/ guest



Jim Morton, Thermo Scientific



Dallas Baker, Ari Mukherjee, and Bahareh Kokabian