



American Mosquito Control Association

2006-2007 State/Regional Association Presentation



Who is AMCA?

- Founded in 1935 in NJ
- Non-profit professional association
- +1600+ members in 2006

 Made up of students, researchers, professors, regulators, public employees, private employees, industry, mosquito control district superintendents, workers, trustees, and commissioners, and many others

Members in 52 countries



AMCA's Mission

Our mission is to provide leadership, information, and education leading to the enhancement of health and quality of life through the suppression of mosquitoes and other vector-transmitted diseases, and the reduction of annoyance levels caused by mosquitoes and other vectors and pests of public health importance.



Volunteers

AMCA has many dedicated members who serve on the Board and committees, as well as those who volunteer their time and talents individually to support AMCA Mission.

This volunteer force is the backbone of AMCA ... essential to its mission and providing effective support to members, profession, and industry.



Board of Directors

Officers 2006-2007

President – Joseph Sanzone President-Elect – Gene Payne Vice-President – Dr. Major S. Dhillon Past President 2005 – Bill Opp Past President 2004 – Dr. Roger S. Nasci Treasurer – Allan Inman



Board of Directors

Regional Directors 2006-2007

North Atlantic – Bill Reinert (NJ) Mid-Atlantic – Dr. William Meredith (DE) South Atlantic – Doug Carlson (FL) North Central – Dr. Tom Wilmot (MI) South Central – Dennis Wallette (LA) West Central – Gary Hatch (UT) North Pacific – Jill Townzen (OR) South Pacific – Steve Mulligan (CA) Latin America – Dr. Yasmin Rubio-Palis (Venezuela) Industry – Stephanie Whitman (WY)



Committees

Annual Meeting Archives Awards Bylaws & Policy Executive Finance Industry Legislative & Regulatory Membership Nominating Publications Public Relations Science & Technology Training & Member Education



The Success of AMCA Relies on Good Management

Association Headquarters

On January 1, 2006, AMCA began a new era, and began using contractual services to manage its office and business processes. Last October, the Board voted unanimously to approve a contract with Association Headquarters (AH) of Mt. Laurel, NJ.

The Board believes AH will provide strengthened management – especially in strategic planning, leadership & program development, membership services, and daily operational issues management.

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Leadership

- AMCA a leader in promoting highest standards in professional mosquito control
- AMCA Supports Good Science
- Integrated Mosquito Management
- Recognized by EPA as outstanding participant in PESP Program



Leadership

- Provide information and testimony impacting policy at the national level
- Some Current Issues:
 - Clean Water Act Ruling
 - FEMA Reimbursement Policy
 - Pesticide Labeling & Product Reregistration

• U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service – National policy on mosquito control



Education and Information

Journal of the American Mosquito Control Association –

Steven Presley, Editor

Research Articles Operational and Scientific Notes Electronic Publication

AMCA Newsletter

Reports from Regional Directors, Central Office, Committees and Technical Advisor Recent Developments Membership Notices

WingBeats - FMCA/AMCA Publication



Education and Information

Publications for Sale Include:

- Geographical Distribution of the Mosquitoes of North America, North of Mexico
- Bulletin #5: Manual for Mosquito Rearing
- 2002 Public Health Pesticide Applicator Training Manual
- AND MORE!!!





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Join Now!



Benefits of Membership

- Lower registration fee at AMCA Meetings
- Legislative and regulatory advocacy
- Journal publishing and paper presentation
- Participation in organization governance
- Member only access on AMCA website
- Journal of the American Mosquito Control Association (Quarterly)
- AMCA Newsletter (Quarterly in 2007)
- WingBeats (Quarterly)
- Monthly e-Newsletter
- Bi-Monthly legislative e-Newsletter



Categories of Membership

- Regular Member
 - Receives Journal, WingBeats, Newsletter
 - Voting privilege
- Associate Member
 - Receives WingBeats, Newsletter
- Student Member
 - Receives Journal, WingBeats, Newsletter
- •Sustaining Member (Corporate or Government)
 - Includes 1 Regular or 2 Associate members



Sustaining Membership What is it?

Sustaining Membership is an opportunity to provide a level of support that enables the American Mosquito Control Association to provide legislative and regulatory advocacy for the membership. All funds with the exception of the first hundred dollars derived from a sustaining membership are dedicated to fund the legislative advocacy program.



Sustaining Membership

What do you get?

- Includes 1 Regular Membership OR 2 Associate Memberships
- All agency personnel receive member registration rate at AMCA meetings
- Recognition in AMCA Newsletter
- Recognition at AMCA Annual Meeting
- Certificate of recognition
- Contribution to legislative advocacy



AMCA Website

What is in the Members Only Section?

- Search back issues of the Journal of AMCA
- Search for a fellow AMCA member's contact info
- Look at past issues of the Newsletter/WingBeats
- Discuss news and events in the discussion forum
- Download the AMCA toolkit
 - Contains News Release Examples
 - A comprehensive communications plan
 - Examples of letters and correspondence
- Up to date news articles



Legislative & Regulatory Affairs

Washington, D.C. – Legislative / regulatory representation through professional lobbyists. Keeps AMCA informed of breaking legislative/regulatory issues that could impact mosquito control. Also represent AMCA at selected federal agency/congress meetings, & serve as counsel, when required.

Technical Advisor, Joe Conlon, also attends meetings and testifies at hearings on AMCA's behalf. Joe has given AMCA a voice of sound science and reason wherever he has represented AMCA.

Watch monthly E-Newsletter for updates. (Contact Sarah Gazi at sgazi@ahint.com to sign up with current email address.)

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73rd AMCA Annual Meeting



Orlando, Florida





73rd AMCA Annual Meeting

Hosted by the Florida Mosquito Control Association The Peabody Hotel - Orlando Orlando, Florida April 1 – 5, 2007 Call for Papers Deadline is November 15, 2006 Exhibitor packet to be mailed in October 2006 Registration packet to be mailed in November 2006

Check out www.mosquito.org for updates



73rd AMCA Annual Meeting

- Invited presentations
- Symposia on special topics
- Submitted papers and posters
- Latin American symposium
- Student paper competition
- Demonstrations by industry representatives
- Industry exhibits
- Informal working groups
- Networking opportunities
- Social events



Washington Day

May 7 – 9, 2007

The Spring Washington Conference is an excellent venue for us to identify issues or concerns that can only be examined and resolved at the federal level or on a nationwide basis. By attending and participating in the Washington Conference with other AMCA members, you'll help us meet with our Senators and **Representatives and key** government personnel, who represent those agencies having the greatest impact on our profession.





GET INVOLVED!

There is a two-way relationship between AMCA and its members, beneficial to both parties. Contact any Board member, or Sarah Gazi (sgazi@ahint.com) to let us know how AMCA can serve you better . . or more importantly ... how YOU can serve AMCA.

I look forward to the opportunity of working with each of you during 2007, and together we can achieve great things for AMCA!



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