President’s Message
By Mark Williams

Despite the fact that we’ve had a really decent winter this year, I’m ready for some warm temperatures, green grass and white golf balls. I’m also looking forward to our Spring Conference in St. George.

We’ve been in the planning stages on this one for several months and it looks like a good one. If you are thinking about attending, please do so. Get your reservations in, your registrations filled out and start packing.

Your board and the various committees have been working hard this winter to upgrade and enhance our organization. Although not completed by any means, several projects are coming along quite nicely.

For example, many of you may have noticed the new appearance of the web page. This is a work in progress and we are all excited about its potential. If you haven’t had a chance to look at it yet, please do so.

The Technical Committee has completed one project dealing with testing and licensing of our profession. That information has been forwarded to members of CLEHA for consideration. In conjunction with that, we have been notified by NEHA that they have concerns over the security of the testing at conference sites and will be tightening up there. That may make it more difficult, if not impossible, for UEHA to offer testing at any of our semi-annual conferences.

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Who’s Who in UEHA
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Bruce Slater (DEQ), Ron Marsden (DOH)

Article/Information Submission
The next UEHA newsletter will be out June 2006. If you have any items to submit, please send them to Cynthia Minor by June 10, 2006. Information for the website may be submitted to Cynthia Minor at any time.
The Utah Environmental Health Association is a statewide professional organization that fosters good public health in the State of Utah by providing opportunities in an educational as well as a regulatory setting. UEHA is dedicated to improving public health for all of the citizens in the State of Utah, by ensuring that those professionals charged with promoting these programs are prepared, from a technical standpoint, to properly administer sound public health. The association meets bi-annually to discuss the current health concerns of our Utah communities, legislative issues that affect Utah’s Health report card, and to create a network, which allows the dissemination of current, relevant and accurate health data.

The UEHA has been a Utah educational leader since 1954. The growing membership consists of individuals from health professions, industry, private sector, and academia. Each health district in the state is represented. This has given UEHA the unique position of being the single organization that, because of its diversity, offers a forum for environmental issues. In this way we will find the solutions we all seek — together. Education conferences provide Continuing Education Credits for professional licensing in the State of Utah. At the bi-annual conferences, tremendous attention is given to developing a quality educational program that not only imparts knowledge to the attendee but also, through the very quality of the presentations, inspires the attendees to do more upon return to their job.

The association is governed by a board of trustees that is chaired by the association’s president. The trustees and officers make up the governing body that guides the association. Membership involvement includes participating on various committees. Educational meetings are located in regional areas of Utah on a rotating basis for convenience of its members.

For more information about us, check our website at www.UEHA.org

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Send new membership application to: Utah Environmental Health Association  
P O Box 16522  
Salt Lake City, UT  84116
WHAT’S HAPPENIN’!

The education committee and the Board of the UEHA meet monthly to address various issues. The following are issues of interest to the members and what action is being taken on them:

1 2006 Spring Conference – The conference has been finalized to be held in St George at the Best Western Abbey Inn. The agenda and registration forms are included in this issue of the newsletter. They have also been emailed to all members with a current email address, and are available on the website at www.ueha.org.

2 2007 Regional Conference – Region 3 of NEHA consists of Colorado, Utah, Wyoming and Montana. There had been a push to have a regional conference in Jackson, WY, in the fall of 2007. It now appears that this conference will not be taking place.

3 The new UEHA website is now up and running. Check back frequently for regular updates!
SB 19 Amendments to the Utah Indoor Clean Air Act

The 2006 Utah State Legislature passed amendments to the Utah Indoor Clean Air Act during the 2006 Legislative Session. These amendments have been long anticipated and now Utah joins several states and countries with comprehensive laws to protect workers from secondhand smoke exposure. As an environmental health scientist, changes to the law will affect enforcement in your local areas. Plans for addressing these changes are in the process of being developed and will involve local health departments.

If you have questions regarding the changes, please contact Cassandra Fairclough, at (801) 538-6754, or Steve Hadden at (801) 538-6260.

Summary of Utah Indoor Clean Air Act Changes Due to SB 19
Prepared by: Steve Hadden, Tobacco Prevention and Control Program

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EPA Summer Opportunities for Students Web site

FROM: Michael A. Hamlin, Acting Director
Office of Human Resources

I am pleased to inform you that the Web site, EPA Summer Opportunities for Students, is now up and running. The site provides a central Web portal through which students may enter to learn about EPA offices and summer employment opportunities. Having a central portal makes it easier for students to find information about specific areas in which they would like to work. They also will be able to submit a job application directly to the EPA location that has a vacancy.

The EPA Jobs Web site is located at: http://www.epa.gov/careers. The direct link to the Summer Student Employment Opportunities Web site is http://www.epa.gov/ohr/student. The Summer Student Employment Opportunities Web site will be available until May 15, 2006. The Office of Human Resources will provide supporting services by maintaining the Web site, collecting applicant and hiring data, and evaluating the process at the end of each summer. The EPA Summer Opportunities for Students Web site is a hiring tool that will be useful for students looking for summer work and for EPA offices that have summer vacancies to fill.

If you have any questions about our summer hiring program, please call JoAnn Brant at 202-564-0375.
NEHA News

NEHA 70th Annual Educational Conference
& Exhibition--June 25-28, 2006

The National Environmental Health Association’s Annual Educational Conference will be celebrating 70 years of excellence in providing the only 4-day conference targeted for Environmental Health Professionals. Top reasons you should attend:

1. **Over 150 sessions in 17 EH technical sections** will be presented, including Terrorism and All-Hazards Preparedness, Food Safety and Protection, Onsite Wastewater Systems, Indoor Air Quality, Vector Control, and many others.

2. **San Antonio’s famed River Walk.** It’s like no other place you’ve been, with blocks of vibrant patio restaurants and shops, rich architectural detail, and lovely horticulture, all of which can be enjoyed from flatbottom river boat cruises.

3. **The conference hotels are stunning.** The Hyatt Regency San Antonio features a dramatic, 16-story atrium and a rooftop swimming pool, while the historic St. Anthony is the elegant grand dame of city accommodations.

4. **Continuing education credits.** You’re in the right place at the AEC.

5. **The 100-booth exhibition is essential!** What would you do without the vendors who provide you the software, testing supplies, and lab services you need? Or those with critical information and resources?

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To assist public and environmental health professionals preparing for a possible flu pandemic, NEHA has developed two online courses on avian influenza. We believe that these courses are of great value to the public and environmental health profession, and thus we ask for your assistance in promoting them to your members and colleagues.


Avian flu has the potential to become a major, if not catastrophic, public and environmental health issue. For this reason, NEHA has partnered with NexPort Solutions to create and deliver two online-learning courses that serve to provide the student with a comprehensive understanding of why the threat of a pandemic flu is of such concern. Moreover, NEHA’s interactions with both public and environmental health professionals have indicated that a limited understanding of this issue exists despite the significant role that these professionals will almost surely play in any pandemic-flu response. The two courses will help to develop the awareness and understanding that is needed in order for this workforce to properly prepare for this serious challenge.

While aimed at the public and environmental health profession, these courses are relevant to anyone interested in learning more about pandemic flu. In addition, individuals who successfully pass the test at the conclusion of each course will receive 3 continuing-education contact hours from NEHA, 1.5 for each course.

The availability of these two courses also serves to inaugurate NEHA’s new online-learning university. Through this new online university, visitors will be able to access courses such as this one. They also will have access to an online library of resources, information streams of current events, and other resources.

As a NEHA affiliate, you are very important to us. Among other things, NEHA affiliates constitute important links to thousands of practicing environmental and public health professionals. We would therefore be particularly grateful if you could help us in our efforts to get the word out to our professional community on these new and timely educational courses. If you have an open spot on your Web site, a space to fill in your affiliate journal or newsletter, or an opportunity to do an e-mail blast to your membership, we would appreciate it if you could inform your members of the availability of these courses. It also would be helpful if you could provide a link to our Web site where an individual can access these courses.

Thank you very much for your time, and please feel free to contact us with any questions.
May 16-18
Davis Conference Center
Layton, Utah

Keynote Speakers
Diane Hargrove Roberson, President
Louisiana Public Health Association
David Sundwall, MD
Executive Director, Utah Department of Health
Patricia Mail, MPH, PhD, CHES
President, American Public Health Association

Early registration closes
April 28, 2006.

For more information and to register visit

www.upha.org
The Planning Committee for the 2006 Utah Public Health Conference is pleased to announce that registration is now open. The conference theme this year is Public Health in The Eye of the Storm: Turning Challenges into Opportunities.

Below is a brief summary of what is planned May 16-18 and we are looking forward to a very exciting conference.

Pre Conference

- Epidemiology for the Rest of Us

Keynote & General Session Topics

- Public Health in The Eye of the Storm: Louisiana’s Story
- Public Health in The Eye of the Storm: The Local Perspective
- Public Health in The Eye of the Storm: The APHA Perspective
- Public Health in The Eye of the Storm: The State Vision & Goals
- Public Health in The Eye of the Storm: The Local Perspective

Breakout Session Topics

- Public Health vs. National Disasters
- Increased Drug Overdoses in Utah
- Quarantine & Isolation Response to SARS Outbreak in Toronto
- Public Health in The Eye of the Storm: The APHA Perspective
- Chronic Pain and Deaths in Utah
- NACCHO Initiative - Defining Public Health Standards & Services
- Update on Universal Health Care Coverage Initiative
- Enteric Investigations
- The Obesity Epidemic: What Can Be Done?
- Preparing for A Pandemic Flu Outbreak
- Update on State & Local Public Health Plan Initiative
- Public Health Agencies and Universities: An Untapped Partnership
- Role of Sanitarians In Disasters
- Identity Crisis in Public Health: Marketing & Showcasing Successful Public Health Programs
- Basic Quality Outcomes in Public
- How to Maintain the Effort After Funding is Gone: Bioterrorism, Preventative Block Grant & Others
- Neglect of the Elderly & Disabled: How to Provide Better Healthcare, Screenings, Pain Management, etc.
- Understanding the Adolescent Brain
- Linking Public Health & Clinical Medicine

For more information and to register go to www.upha.org.

For more information contact the Conference Co-Chairs in Kevin Condra at kcondra@utah.gov or Todd Barson at tbarson@utah.gov.
Best Western Abbey Inn
1129 So Bluff Street
St. George, Utah

Government Room Rate: $65 (no room tax)
Includes daily full breakfast buffet
This rate is available April 23-30

Rooms may be booked in advance by calling
1-888-222-3946
Request the UEHA
Spring Conference rate

Deadline for booking at this rate is
March 23, 2006, or when the 50-room
reserved block has been filled.

Spring Conference
2006
St George
Best Western Abbey Inn
April 27-28
Pre-conference April 26
2006 Spring Conference
St George, Utah

Wednesday April 26, 2006

Pre-Conference
8:00-5:00 Onsite Wastewater Recertification for Level 2-Fundamentals of Conventional Onsite Wastewater System Design, Operation and Maintenance.

Thursday April 27, 2006

8:30-8:40 Welcome-Introductions of Educational Committee-Mark Williams, President UEHA
8:40-9:00 Introduction of Area Issues– Dave Blodgett, Health Officer, Southwest Utah Public Health Department
9:00-9:45 Keynote Address: Environmental Issues in Zion National Park-Jock Whitworth, Zion National Park Superintendent
9:45- 10:30 Environmental Issues on the Navajo Reservation-Herman Shorty, Navajo Tribe
10:30– 10:50 Break
10:50– 11:35 Chronic Wasting Disease, Avian Flu, and other Diseases in the State- Dr. Earl Rogers, Utah Department of Agriculture and Food

11:35-1:00 Lunch (on your own)
1:00– 1:45 Electronic Sanitary Survey Process and Progress- Kevin Brown, Director, Division of Drinking Water UDEQ
1:45 – 2:30 Pesticides-Howard Deer, Professor and Extension Pesticide Coordinator, Utah State University
2:30– 2:50 Break
2:50– 4:15 Local Environmental Health Directors Discussion Panel- Be thinking of questions to ask the panel.

Friday April 28, 2006

8:30– 9:15 Enforcement Issues- Mike Herkimer, UDEQ
9:15-10:00 Algae Control With Barley Straw-Paul C. Krauth, UDEQ
10:00– 10:15 Break
10:15– 11:00 Water Quality Issues- Shelly Quick, UDEQ
11:00– 11:45 The Enteric Disease Outbreak Investigation Model- Marilee Poulson, Bureau of Epidemiology, UDOH
11:45– 1:00 Banquet

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Registrations received after April 14, 2006, will be assessed a $10 late fee.
UTAH ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH ASSOCIATION
2006 SPRING CONFERENCE
APRIL 27-28, 2006
PRE-CONFERENCE APRIL 26
Individual Registration

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                          | $30 per day, Non-Member $40 per day |
| Pre-Conference (Wed, April 26) | ☐ $50 Government ☐ $70 Private Industry |
| UEHA Retired Member     | $35 for full conference |
| UEHA Student Member     | ☐ $20 (does NOT include lunch) ☐ $35 (includes lunch) |
| 2006 Membership dues    | ☐ $10 Active Regular Membership ☐ $5 Student Membership |
| (if not already paid)   |                           |
| Extra Meal              | $18 each; Number of lunches _____ |
| Late Registration       | *Add $10 if after April 14, 2006 |
| Grand Total             |                           |

Mail Registration Form with payment to:
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