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#### DEDICATION

#### Dr. Gerard A. Rohlich

Dr. Gerard A. Rohlich, an international authority on water resources and water management at the University of Texas and longtime member of AEEP died September 16, 1983. He was 73.

The Brooklyn, New York native was a professor in the Department of Civil Engineering and in the Lyndon B. Johnson School of Public Affairs. He joined UT faculty in 1972 as the C.W. "Tex" Cook Professor of Environmental Engineering after teaching 26 years at the University of Wisconsin at Madison where he received his second B.S., M.S. and Ph.D. degrees in civil engineering.

Dr. Rohlich, a member of the National Academy of Engineering had spent a lifetime in teaching and research directed at the control of environmental pollution.

His special fields of research included industrial wastes, water supply problems, and lake and stream pollution. His proteges hold positions of leadership in major universities, governmental agencies, industry and private practice. He published over 55 professional articles. He had a national and international reputation for his work in water resources and water quality management and specialization in industrial wastes and problems of water supply and lake and stream pollution, holding many assignments in Asia and South America as consultant to the United Nations, the World Health Organization, the Pan American Health Organization and the World Bank.

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# PRESIDENT'S CORNER

1984 is the twentieth year that AEEP and its predecessor, the American Association of Professors in Sanitary Engineering (AAPSE) has been in existence. It was founded to strengthen and advance the field of environmental (sanitary) engineering through the cooperative efforts of its members. Its major activities initially involved issues related to the Training Grant Program of the Environmental Protection Agency and its predecessor organization, as well as issues related to environmental engineering curricula. The Training Grant Program is essentially non-existent now, but other education and research issues confront the profession today that make it just as important to maintain AEEP as a viable organization. The organization has grown to a membership of over 250, and because this a relatively small number, the organization's viability depends upon the active participation of a large percentage of its members.

We are indeed fortunate in having a large number of AEEP members who are willing to work for the good of our profession. Fran DiGiano, Bruce Hanes, Dick Speece, and Bob Thomann have just finished their terms on the Board of Directors and we thank them for their efforts on our behalf. Jim Edzwald served us well as president and will continue as a member of the Board for another year. John Andrews, Bill Batchelor and David Jenkins joined the Board in January for three-year terms. Both John and David have served on the Board in the past, so we look to them to provide continuity with past activities. We also are fortunate in having many committee chairmen and members who work hard for our profession.

The issue of finances is an important one for AEEP. In the past few years, expenses have escalated and reserves have slowly diminished. The Board has decided not to increase dues, except for the affiliate membership dues which are being increased to cover current mailing and related expense. In order to maintain and possibly increase services, we are instituting a policy of having certain activities such as the Purdue Workshop be self-supporting. Such a policy should release funds for other projects such as the development of manuals which need front-end financing.

In the coming year AEEP will continue its sponsorship of workshops, the lecture tour, manual development for unit operations and computer software, awards, and other projects that have been so successful in the past. David Jenkins has planned an excellent Purdue Workshop on the microbiology of wastewater treatment, and Appiah Amintharajah has organized a strong research seminar on flocculation for the Dallas AWWA meeting. We also want to make a special effort this year to keep you informed about proposed legislative actions and governmental policies that will impact our

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Among the many awards Dr. Rohlich received were the 1980 Gordon Maskew Fair Medal given by the Water Pollution Control Federation for his exemplary demonstration of proficient accomplishment in the training and development of engineers in the environmental field, the Karl Emil Hilgard Hydraulic Prize from the American Society of Civil Engineers, the Harrison Prescott Eddy Medal given for noteworthy research by the Water Pollution Control Federation, and the Fuller Award of the American Water Works Association. Dr. Rohlich is listed in Who's Who in America, American Men of Science and Who's Who in Engineering.

A scholarship fund has been established in the Civil Engineering Department at The University of Texas at Austin

in memory of Dr. Rohlich.

☆ Acknowledgement ☆ AEEP thanks Professor Joseph Malina for preparing this dedication.

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profession so that you can express your opinons about these to appropriate officials. Further, in an effort to keep you informed of opportunties for reserach funding, the Board is working to establish a research session or forum at future WPCF and AWWA meetings. Representatives of various funding agencies would be asked to present information on their programs, and attendees at these conferences, would be able to obtain up-to-date information on the agencies' plans through listening to their presentations and by asking questions. If you have ideas or questions about these or other AEEP activities, please let one of the Board members know.

Vernon L. Snoeyink President

# AEEP NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

## New AEEP Board and Officers Elected

The AEEP general membership elected three new members to serve on the AEEP Board of Directors for the 1983-1986 three year term. They are: John Andrews (Rice University), Bill Batchelor (Texas A&M University) and David Jenkins (University of California, Berkeley). John is a charter member of AEEP and has served AEEP in several capacities including being on the Board of Directors (1967-70), Chairman of the Workshop Committee (1968-69), Chairman of the Nashville and Myrtle Beach Workshops in 1968 and 1969, Chairman of the Foreign Lecturers Committee (1972), and Chairman of the first AEEP-NSF Workshop in 1977, Bill's honors include receiving The Standard Oil of Indiana Fellowship in Environmental Engineering (1971-1973), the AEEP Engineering Science Award for the best dissertation relevant to environmental engineering practice (1977), and the Harrison Prescott Eddy Medal of the Water Pollution Control Federation (1983). David was previously an AEEP Board member (1970-1973).

and has twice received the AEEP Engineering Science Award for Ph.D. Thesis supervisor. He is the co-author of 3 texts ... "Water Chemistry" with Professor V. L. Snoeyink; "Water Chemistry Laboratory Manual" with Professor V. L. Snoeyink, J. F. Ferguson, and J. O. Leckie; and, "Aquatic Microbiology Manual" with Professor L. Y. Young, and R. C. Cooper.

At the January board meeting, new officers were elected. The new President, and Vice President are Vernon L. Snoeyink, and F. Michael Saunders. G. Lee Christensen will continue as Secretary-Treasurer. Leaving the Board of Directors are Francis A. DiGiano, Robert V. Thomann, Richard E. Speece, and N. Bruce Hanes. Special thanks are extended to these individuals for their service. In addition, thanks are extended to James K. Edzwald, who served as President of AEEP during 1983. He will remain on the Board of Directors as Past-President.

# Expanded Distribution of AEEP NEWSLETTER

Once again the NEWSLETTER'S first issue of the new year is being distributed to personnel outside the AEEP who are involved in environmental issues. It is hoped that the expanded distribution of the NEWSLETTER will give AEEP increased visibility and will allow the association to inform a wider audience of our activities and accomplishments. Anyone wishing to submit articles of general Environmental Engineering interest to future issues should send the information to the NEWSLETTER editors.

## Treasurer's Report

#### Financial Statement for 1982

#### INCOME

Dues		\$10,930.
Publications		1,577.
Interest		1,624.
Mailing Labels		295.
	TOTAL	\$14,426.

#### **EXPENSES**

Office		\$ 1,888.
Newsletter		1,873.
Publications		1,975.
Board Meetings		2,950.
Purdue Workshop		3,525.
Committees		557.
USANC Dues		500.
Awards		497.
Miscellaneous		782.
	TOTAL	\$14,547.

This statement does not include several break-even activities such as the NSF Research Needs Conference and the annual Distinguished Lecture Program. This listing is also a little misleading in that the organization's total worth has been dropping between \$500 and \$100 per year over the last 3 years. The organization's savings account currently holds \$15,000 which is approximately one year's budget. Amyone seeking further details of the Secretary-Treasurer's Jan. 12, 1984 report, should contact Lee Christensen at Villanova University.

#### **Dues Reminder**

If you have not already done so, please send your dues to:

G. Lee Christensen Civil Engineering Department Villanova University Villanova, PA 19085

The payment schedule is:

Professor US \$50.
Associate Professor US \$25.
Assistant Professor US \$25.
Affiliate Member US \$10.

#### **AEEP - AWWA Seminar Program**

The AEEP Seminar at the Annual AWWA Conference in Dallas, Texas is scheduled for Monday, June 11, at 8:00 p.m. The topic is RECENT IDEAS IN FLOCCULATION. The program is as follows:

- Fundamentals of Particle Aggregation R. D. Letterman
- Flocculation Energy Parameters as a Function of Particle Size - J. L. Cleasby
- Particle Detachment in Turbulent Fields A. Amirtharajah For further information, contact A. Amirtharajah, who is this year's chairman.

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#### 1984 AEEP Workshop at Purdue

In what is now becoming a tradition as a service to the academic community in Environmental Engineering, AEEP announces that the 1984 Workshop at Purdue will be on "Topics in the Applied Microbiology of Wastewater Treatment Processes". The Workshop will be on Monday, May 7, 1984, the day just prior to the Industrial Waste Conference at Purdue University, West Lafayette, IN.

Details of the program are as follows:

- Professor C. P. L. Grady of Clemson University, will talk on "Microbiological Growth Models Appropriate for Wastewater", "eatment Processes" and on "The Measurement and Microbiological Basis for Biodegradeability".
- Professor W. G. Characklis will speak about "Bioflocculation, Microbial Aggregation and Attachment as Applied to Flocs and Films in Waste Treatment Processes".
- Professor R. H. Mah will be with us from UCLA to lecture on "The Microbiology of Methanogenesis".
- Professor David Jenkins from the University of California at Berkeley will discuss "The Microbiology of Activated Sludge with Special Reference to Filamentous Organisms and Activated Sludge Separation Problems".

Comprehensive lecture notes will provided to all attendees. The registration fee is \$25 for AEEP members; \$50 for non-AEEP members; and \$10 for students. AEEP members will be receiving brochures and registration forms in March from the Purdue Conference Center. Non-members can obtain additional information from Professor David Jenkins, 11 Yale Circle, Kensington, CA. 94708, (415) 642-5337.

### 1984 AEEP Distinguished Lecturer Tour

Professor Perry L. McCarty, Silas H. Palmer Professor and Chairman of the Department of Civil Engineering at Stanford University was this year's AEEP Distinguished Lecturer. His tour included the following universities: Central Florida, Georgia Tech., Houston, Arizona, Illinois-Urbana, Michigan, Toronto, Alberta, Johns Hopkins, Drexel, Princeton, and Manhattan. The enormous response to the 1984 lecturer (39 requests in all) made the tour selection very difficult. Universities not selected for this years tour are encouraged to try again next year, as preference is given to schools that support the program with repeated requests.

#### **AEEP Outstanding Publication Award**

Nominations are solicited for the 2nd annual AEEP Outstanding Publication Award to be presented at the WPCF Conference held in New Orleans, LA in 1984. All members are encouraged to submit nominations of papers which demonstrate significannt educational contributions and research accomplishments that have "stood the test of time." This year's award was won by J. M. Morgan and Werner Stumm for their publication entitled "Chemical Aspects of Coagulation." The best paper will be selected by the Awards Committee after all nominations have been received. Nominations should be forwarded to the committee by April 10, 1984 at the following address:

Dr. Joseph H. Sherrard, Chairman AEEP Awards Committee Dept. of Civil Engineering VPI&SU Blacksburg, VA 24061

# Engineering Science, Inc./AEEP Award for the Best Doctoral Thesis Relevant to Environmental Engineering Practice

The 1983 Engineering Science, Inc./AEEP Award for the best doctoral thesis relevant to Environmental Engineering Practice was given to Dr. Edward J. Bouwer and his advisor, Professor Perry L. McCarty for their work on "Transformation of Trace Halogenated Organic Compounds in Biofilms." Shown below is Dr. Davis Ford, Division Vice President of Engineering-Science, Inc. (center) presenting the award to Dr. Bouwer (left) and Dr. McCarty (right) at the Water Pollution Control Federation conference which was held in Houston on October 2-6, 1983.



AEEP members are invited to submit Ph.D. theses completed under their supervision during the 1983-1984 academic year (dated June 1, 1983 - May 31, 1984) for competition for the above award. The award is a certificate and a \$1,000 prize for the Ph.D. candidate and a certificate and a \$1,000 prize for the faculty research director. For a thesis to be eligible it must be completed by the above dates and one copy must be received by Mr. Don Suggs, Engineering Science, Inc., 125 West Huntington Drive, Arcadia, California 91106, prior to June 15, 1984. Each thesis is judged on the basis of 100 points allocated as follows:

Scientific and Technological Validity of Research
Originality of Research
Contribution to Advancement of Environmental
Engineering & Science
Clarity of Presentation (Organization)

25
40
10

The award will be presented at the AEEP Meeting to be held during the WPCF 56th Annual Conference in New Orleans, LA, October, 1984.

#### AEEP Register of Environmental Engineering Graduate Programs

The next edition of the AEEP Register of Environmental Engineering Graduate Programs is presently being readied for printing. Contributions form a total of 101 programs will appear in the next Register. Tentatively, publication of the 627-page Register is scheduled for February, 1984 with initial distribution of free copies to contributing programs during March. Additional copies will be available to interested parties at a nominal cost. Please see the next AEEP Newsletter for final details. For further information contact:

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# AEEP Findings of 1982-83 Graduate Student Enrollment Survey

The results of the 1982-1983 Survey have been tabulated and point to several interesting conclusions. The data collected in the fall and early spring of last year were obtained in a questionnaire mailed to 154 representatives in environmental engineering programs throughout the country. The process was identical to previous AEEP Enrollment Surveys. By early April, 1983, 75 enrollment questionnaires had been completed and returned to the Committee. Thirteen follow-up telephone interviews resulted in a total of 88 programs being included in this year's data pool.

The graduate programs surveyed in this study are all associated with academic engineering departments and include environmental sciences and environmental management students in engineering programs where options are open to students without undergraduate engineering degrees. This study thus enumerates those graduate students who are being trained in the technical and quantitative aspects of environmental studies, but does not include those students enrolled in environmental sciences programs offered by such academic departments as biology, life sciences, geology or forestry. The objective is to provide a measure of the number of technically trained students available for employment in consulting engineering firms, private industry and governmental agencies.

The results are organized here to stimulate discussion among AEEP members and others interested in graduate student enrollment in environmental engineering; note Exhibits 1 and 2. A major goal of this report is to present information in a manner consistent with previous AEEP Surveys and thus encourage useful analysis of enrollment trends.

Six conclusions are suggested from the total base of information collected last year:

- Full-time environmental sciences and engineering enrollments are holding constant.
- The number of full-time students in water and wastewater may have reached a low plateau. After decreasing for several years, this enrollment has changed little and an earlier downward trend may not be continuing.
- Part-time enrollment in water and wastewater engineering has decreased drastically. The 691 parttime students identified last year, are far fewer than the previous low enrollment of 966 in 1981, and also lower than the 1017 indentified in 1980.
- The overriding majority of students in environmental sciences and engineering are U.S. Nationals. Last year, 66% of all students held U.S. Citizenship. This year, the percentage is 72%.

Exhibit 1, NEW FULL-TIME GRADUATE STUDENT ENROLLMENT (adjusted to 1976 Baseline)

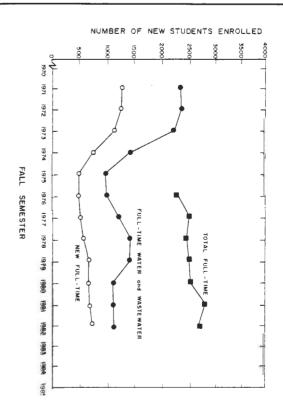
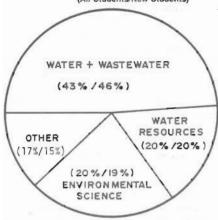


Exhibit 2. RESEARCH AREAS OF GRADUATE STUDENTS
(All Students/New Students)



### AEEP/NSF Conference Proceedings

Publication of the Proceedings of the AEEP/NSF Conference Fundamental Research Needs for Water and Wastewater Systems has been delayed due to unexpected circumstances beyond the control of the Editor. The document, however, is now being printed and will be mailed to all AEEP members in late March.

#### Deadline for September 1984 NEWSLETTER

Anyone interested in submitting articles for the September 1984 issue of the NEWSLETTER should do so no later than July 1, 1984. Articles should be mailed directly to the editors.

#### **General AEEP Announcements**

Dr. Archie J. McDonnell, Professor of Civil Engineering at The Pennsylvania State University, has been appointed the Director of the Institute for Research on Land and Water Resources at that University. This appointment became effective May 1, 1983.

#### Thesis Titles to be Published

A listing of thesis titles for theses completed during the 1982-83 academic year will be published as a separate publication by AEEP later this spring. The information required for this listing is as follows: title, author, degree, paper length, date, university and faculty advisor(s). Theses should be placed into one of the following categories: air pollution, groundwater, non-point source pollution, rivers, estuaries and lakes, solid wastes, water and wastewater treatment, instrumental methods of analysis, land treatment, sludge managment, and miscellaneous. This information should be sent, no later than April 1, 1984, to:

J. Jeffry Pierce Dept. of Civil Engineering Duke University Durham, NC 27706 (919) 684-2434

# **GENERAL NEWS**

#### **USANC Annual Report**

As senior AEEP delegate and USANC Chairman, Fred Pohland recently submitted the 1983 USA National Committee annual report covering the period December 1982 - December 1983. Some of the highlights of the report are:

- The USANC continues to be sponsored by the AEEP, ACS, AICHE, ASCE and WPCF.
- The 12th Biennial Conference of IAWPRC is scheduled for Amsterdam, The Netherlands, Sept. 17-20, 1984.
- USANC has applied for a grant from the USEPA to prepare a comprehensive analysis on developments at the Amsterdam conference.
- Officers of USANC are: F. G. Pohland (AEEP), Chairman; R. S. Engebrecht (WPCF), Vice Chairman; and R. A. Conway (ASCE), Secretary-Treasurer. These individuals and D. G. Stephan (AIChE) serve on the IAWPRC Governing Board. R. S. Engelbrecht also serves as IAWPRC President.
- Additional conferences, workshops, symposia and seminars are scheduled.

For further information on USANC activities contact:

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#### **AAEE Certification**

The Association of Environmental Engineering Professors is a sponsoring organization of the American Academy of Environmental Engineers (AAEE). Each sponsoring organization of the Academy may submit a list of not more than five (5) of its qualified members for consideration by the AAEE Board for certification.

The candidates must meet the following AAEE criteria:

- 1. BS in engineering or a related field
- 2. Professional engineer's license.
- Professionally engaged on a full-time basis.
- 4. Must have at least fifteen (15) years of environmental engineering experience in one or more of the specialty fields. Eleven (11) of the fifteen (15) years shall be in responsible charge, which work must include active participation with responsibility primarily in one or more fields of environmental engineering.

The candidate applications will be reviewed to see that all criteria are met and then presented to the AEEP Board for approval. The Board approved applications will be submitted with a letter of transmittal from the AEEP to the AAEE for consideration by the Academy Review Committee and Board.

Any active AEEP member in good standing who meets the above criteria will be eligible for nomination. When more