

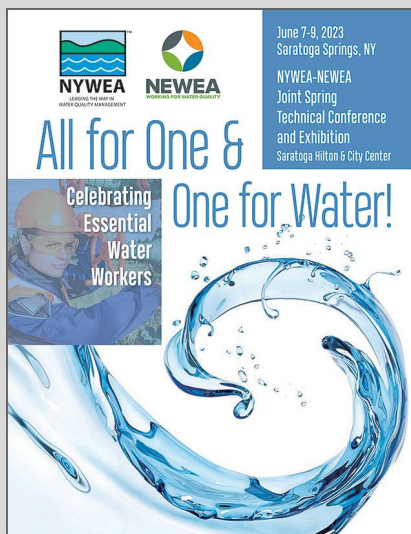


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NYWEA-NEWEA Joint Spring Technical Conference & Exhibition

June 7 - 9, 2023 (Wednesday - Friday)
Saratoga Hilton & City Center, Saratoga Springs

Join operators from throughout the State and the Northeast and celebrate Essential Water Workers at the Joint Spring Meeting to be held June 7 - 9, 2023 at the Saratoga Hilton & City Center! Looking for renewal hours? The Meeting is jam-packed with 17 Technical Sessions ([Click here for Program](#)).

Check out the latest and greatest industry technologies in our Exhibit Hall. Network with colleagues (old and new) during coffee breaks and receptions. Tour a brook trout habitat restoration project, or swing by Operations Challenge to see eleven teams from throughout New England, New York and New Jersey demonstrate their operating skills! We hope you can come!

[Click to Register](#)

Utility Member Discount

If you work for a NYWEA Utility Member ([see list here](#)) you are eligible to receive a

daily registration discount. Click below for more information.

[Utility Discount Pass Information](#)

Grassano Scholarship Winners to Attend Spring Meeting



After attending the Annual Meeting in New York City in February, our five Grassano Winners receive full registration to also attend the Joint Spring Meeting in Saratoga Springs! Want to be a Grassano Scholarship winner? The deadline for the next round of Grassano Scholarships is Dec. 1.

[More Information](#)

2023 Grassano Winners at the Annual Meeting Awards Reception in February.

NYWEA Board President Donna Grudier, Erik Hartmann (Suffolk County), Scott Owen (Westchester County), Timothy Keegan (Town of Webster), Nicholas Sullivan (NYCDEP), Joseph McDonald (Erie County), then Board Operator Representative Dale Grudier, and then Board President and now NYWEA Executive Director Designee Khris Dodson.

An Invitation to Patricia's Retirement Reception



Spring Meeting attendees, please join us in a celebration of gratitude for Patricia Cerro-Reehil's 23 years of service and dedication to NYWEA as Executive Director. Patricia will be retiring at the end of June. This event on Thursday, June 8 at the Walt and Whitman Brewing Company in Saratoga Springs, will have a cash bar

and light food will be provided. Any contribution you make will go toward food and other reception expenses. Donations are not necessary to attend but are welcome. In order to prepare the menu, we'd like to get an idea of budget based on expected donations. Donations received in excess of event costs will be donated to a fund of Patricia's choice. [RSVP Here](#)

Congratulations to Brian Romeiser Pre-Certification Scholarship Winners

Congratulations to **Brendan Casey Jr.** (Bergen Point), **Elizabeth Dunn** (Bergen Point) and **Eric Phillips** (Village of Cooperstown), our latest winners of the Brian

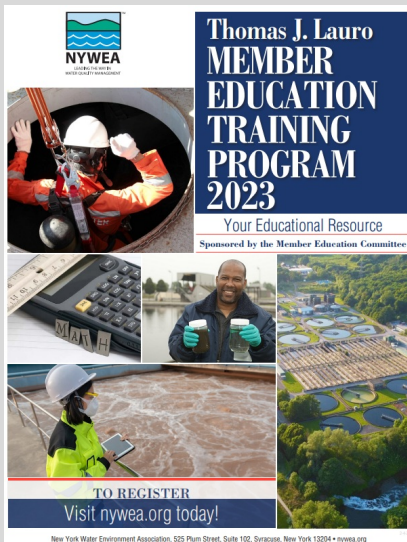
Romeiser Pre-Certification Scholarship! Each will receive \$1,000 to fund or reimburse their pre-certification training. Pre-certification courses include Basic Operations, Basic Laboratory, Activated Sludge, Grade 3 Supervision & Technical Operations and Grade 4 Management.

The deadline for the next round of Brian Romeiser Scholarships is November 1.

[Link to Scholarship Application](#)

Certification Committee Spotlight

NYWEA's Certification Committee is looking for certified operators to join the committee to assist with the review of training sessions for renewable training credits (RTC's). The Committee reviews all trainings offered or sponsored by NYWEA, including annual conferences, Thomas J. Lauro Member Education trainings, and NYWEA chapter conferences and trainings. The committee also meets quarterly, either virtually or in person, to discuss training reviews, streamlining the RTC and PDH application process, and other items related to NYWEA trainings. Ideal candidates would be certified operators with access to email and virtual meetings (Zoom/Teams), and a willingness to volunteer time to review training sessions and participate in quarterly meetings. If you are interested, please email Tyler Masick, Certification Committee RTC Chair, at tyler.masick@albanycountyny.gov.



Thomas J. Lauro Member Education Series

In-Person Trainings

Wastewater Microbiology

Genesee Valley & Long Island Chapters

Monday, May 8, 2023, 8:30 am-1:45 pm

Frank E. Van Lare Water Resource Recovery Facility, 1574 Lakeshore Blvd., Rochester, NY
or Bergen Point WWTP, West Babylon, NY

Contact hours: 4 RTC

Cost: \$90/person for members (includes all employees of utility members); \$175/person for

nonmembers. (Cost includes *Wastewater Microbiology* textbook.)

[Click here to register](#) - only a few spots left!

Anaerobic Digestion & Biogas Safety, Central Chapter

Thursday, May 25, 2023, 8:00 am-4:00 pm

The Nexus Center, 400 Oriskany St. W., Utica, NY

Contact hours: RTC & PDH pending approval

Cost: \$60/person for members; \$145/person for nonmembers

Congratulations to Newly-Certified Operators

Kudos to these Operators who passed their grade-level exams in February:

Troy Babcock - 2A
Shane Bauer - 2A
Jade Difranceso - 2A
Eugene Gorman - 2A
Charles Krug - 4A
Tyler Mohre - 2A
Benedetto Muro - 3A
Brian Quach - 2A
Peter Sarich - 2A
Joel Sheehe - 2A
Michael Soule - 3A
Timothy Sutton - 2
Jeffrey Wallace - 4A

These operators passed their grade-level exams in March. Congratulations!:

Jessup Bensley - 1
Nicholas Bunt - 2A
Jordan Colone - 2
Travis Earl - 3A
David Elman - 1
Tyler Gillespie - 2A
Kevin Gorman - 4A
Jason Lewin - 3A
Troy Lucas - 2
Joshua Scialpa - 2A
Carly Terreberry - 2A
Joshua Vital - 4A

Look to receive April results in the next edition of *Thru the Barscreen*.

New NYWEA Website Feature: Exam Results

Exam Results by Grade as a rolling six-month average are posted [here](#) on the Certification page of the NYWEA website. Scroll down past Exam Resources to Exam Results.