

Message from NC SWANA President

As we close out 2021, I would like to give thanks and reflect on our accomplishments as an organization. I am honored and grateful to serve as President of this great organization and so appreciative to follow in the footsteps of those that served before me. I especially want to thank immediate past president Scott Bost for his leadership and passion for training! Our board is strong and seasoned, and I look forward to working with each of them this year. The NC SWANA Board of Directors currently consists of 13 dedicated professionals that represent a cross section of our industry. Our newest member Jordan Weiner, from GFL, serves as our Safety Ambassador and as our Young Professional Representative for those 35 years of age and younger. Organizationally, the Executive Committee (Officers) of the Board consist of the President (Tracy Nestor), Vice President (Joe Hack), Treasurer (Ellen Price), Secretary (Michael Plummer), Immediate Past President (Scott Bost), and the Advisory Board Delegate (Mike Brinchek) who provides chapter input to the SWANA Board of Directors. I cannot talk about the success of the Chapter without giving special recognition to Beverly Hester for her continued role in supporting our organization! Thanks Beverly, you Rock!

We've continued to thrive amidst the continued impact of the ongoing pandemic. We made training possible for the membership (438) and we were able to participate in the Region 6 Conference in Roanoke and hold an in-person Fall Conference in Wilmington. Despite the pandemic challenges all were a great success! Thank you to everyone that has been an active participant over the year and if you want a more active role in the Chapter, reach out to the Board so we can align your needs with the Chapter's.

NC SWANA is a great professional, knowledge-rich organization and I encourage you to seek ways to become more involved as we are always looking for individuals willing to become involved in a larger role in our industry. For more information on your organization please go to out to the website at <https://ncswana.org/>

I wish you all a Happy New Year! See you in 2022.

Tracy Nestor
NC SWANA President

President's Vision

- Evaluate our relationship with SWANA national and leverage our membership for meaningful changes.
- Focus on industry workforce development and partner with trade schools and community colleges to attract talent to this industry.
- Continue to diversify our membership with an emphasis on front line participation and more women in waste.

Reminders / Wanted

- **NCSWANA ROAD-EO, Greensboro, May 20th-21st.** Contact Jordan Weiner for more information.
- **NCSWANA Fall Conference location and date TBD.** Contact Heather Cashwell for more information.
- Reporters/writers, articles, information for our Chapter newsletter. Contact Chris Stahl for more information.
- Important Websites to Remember: swana.org, www.ncswana.org
- Training the Trainers: Contact Scott Bost if interested in being trained to be a trainer for a SWANA course.
- Name(s) of Prospective SWANA Members: Contact either our Chapter Membership Chair, Dane Pederson, or any Board member.