

EPA Alumni Association News

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Dear ,

"Yes, its been quite a summer," as the song goes!

A large turnout of Alums and some current employees enjoyed meeting with Administrator Gina McCarthy in Raleigh, NC on June 22. She shared some humorous comments and her serious commitment to "honor the legacy" of those who had served at EPA before her. After announcing a major study documenting the benefits of curbing greenhouse gas emissions at the Air and Waste Management Association meeting in Raleigh, Gina took time to meet with us. It was an enjoyable and inspiring session with the feisty McCarthy, and we are very grateful to those who advocated for and planned the event, especially, Bob Hall, John Bachmann, and John O'Connor.



Bob Hall with Gina McCarthy

Bob Wayland

Bob Wayland, President

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Newest Members

We are pleased to welcome the following members who joined since the April 2015 newsletter was distributed. Click a person's name to read their profile.

Jonell Allamano
Frederick (Derry) Allen
Thomas Barnwell

Check Out Our New Web Site "Look"

After a number of stops and starts, we have completed the first overhaul of our web site since the Association was formed. The legacy site had a lot of power and features but was somewhat challenging to navigate and was difficult for volunteers to update.

The redesign is intended to address these challenges without sacrificing power and security. Take a look and give us your feedback. At this point only the top level pages have been modified, but over time we hope to make further modifications based on your feedback.

Welcome to our Revamped Website!

EPA Alumni Association
We're Not Done Yet!

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1,202 members with 21,459 years of service

Raleigh Reception with Gina!
The EPA Administrator Met With 70+ Alums and Current Employees During Her Air and Waste Management Association Appearance - Special Thanks to Bob Hall, John O'Connor, and John Bachmann for Exceptional Arrangements! Click for More Photos.

Join the Association
If you served one continuous year as a Federal employee at EPA or are a current employee eligible to retire.

JOIN INVITE

Members: Invite Friends to Join

Projects

Oral Histories
The story of EPA as only we can tell it! Administrators Thomas and Ruckelshaus, Deputy Administrator Hank Habicht. The creation of EPA. Early impact of the Safe Drinking Water Act.

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Photo Album

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Members: Submit Photos

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The Member Directory is a key element of the web site. The more complete your profile on the site is in terms of information about your EPA years and life since leaving the Agency, the easier it will be for former colleagues with similar backgrounds or current interests to

Scott Berdine
Cory Berish
Brenda Best
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Scott Cameron
Kris Colt
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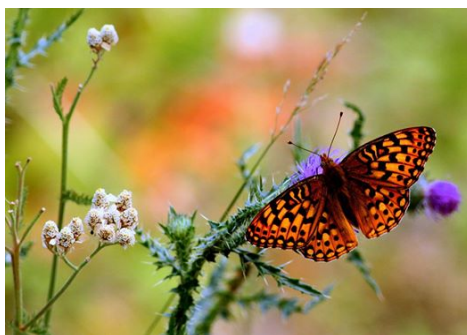
connect with you. Please keep your profile up to date. You will find the option of editing your profile on the new website if you look under "Our Members" and click on "Additional Resources for Members."

If you don't remember your password when you attempt to log-in, click *forgot password* and your password will be emailed to the email address entered in your profile. And if you don't have access to that old email address anymore, we can help you out on that as well. Instructions are provided on the *forgot password* page.

Half Century of Progress

For the last several months almost two dozen members of the Association have been working on telling the story of what environmental conditions were like before our national consciousness was raised by the first Earth Day.

The governmental, public, and private response has brought about significant progress. Even with that progress, serious problems remain and new challenges have emerged. Telling this story -- especially to those who didn't experience pre-1970s pollution -- is something our Association is in a unique position to undertake. Teams of Alums have written brief histories of most EPA programs and shorter summaries of them. A first draft of an overview which draws on this work has been completed and comments are being evaluated. This material will soon be placed on the Association web site for comments by members.



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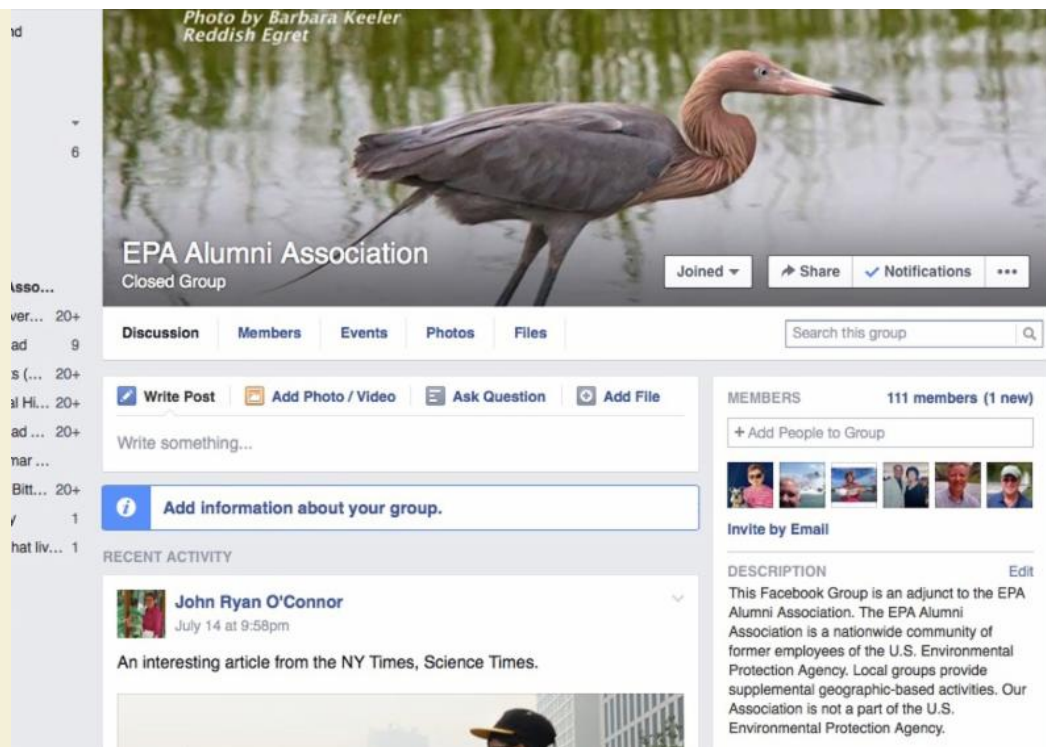
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Screenshot of our Facebook Page

One of the improvements we have made with our re-designed web site is the ability to more easily update it. Still, one of the easiest and quickest ways for us to pass along new developments is by posting information to Facebook. Its also very easy for any member who sees a post on Facebook to comment on it, add a photo or link to another web site, etc. We have had a Facebook page for 3-4 years and have had the icon to link to it in the last several newsletters. We know that Facebook is not for everyone, but if you do use it, or want to give it a try, we encourage you to like our page and you will see updates on issues and people of interest.

[Click here to go to our Facebook Page](#)

Masthead Photo

In our Spring 2015 Newsletter we featured an osprey newly returned to its nest. Looking closely at the photo at the top of this page you will see the head of a chick just to the right of an adult osprey on its nest in the Rappahannock River. If you have a photo you'd like us to consider for use in the Newsletter, please email it to:

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Thanks!



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Philip Angell, Bob Wayland & Susan Wayland, Newsletter Editors
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