

Franz S. Adler

Franz is a graduate of Atlantic County Community College, Mays Landing, New Jersey and Dickinson College, Carlisle, Pennsylvania. While at Atlantic County Community College he was chosen for Who's Who in All American Junior College and a Deans list student.

A former school teacher at St. Joseph's Regional School, Sea Isle City, New Jersey, Franz is currently Assistant Superintendent of Public Works for the City of Margate, New Jersey and was previously employed by the City of Ocean City, New Jersey, Department of Public Works

Franz is an instructor at Rutgers University, in the "Alternate Program" for Certification in the New Jersey Recycling Certification Series (Teaching Effective Communication and Enforcement) and for Rutgers University's Continuing Adult Education Office and the New Jersey Clean Communities Council's Clean Communities Coordinator Certification course.

A New Jersey Certified Licensed Recycling Professional, his other endeavors include:

- Membership in the Association of New Jersey Recyclers (A.N.J.R.).
- Guest Lecturer for Shared Services Seminar.
- Chairman of the Margate Civic Pride Organization.
- Chairperson of the Atlantic County Solid Waste Advisory Council (SWAC).
- Certified NJ Clean Communities Coordinator, City of Margate City, New Jersey.
- Co-Chairperson of the Margate City Adopt a Beach Program.

His many accomplishments include:

- Co-authoring and instituting six new recycling ordinances for the City of Margate City New Jersey.
- Authoring Legislation to make The City of Margate the third municipality in the State of New Jersey to have a carpet recycling ordinance.
- Initiating "Campaign Litter Free Margate City, New Jersey."
- Authoring Shared Services agreements between Margate City and Longport, Ventnor City and Atlantic City New Jersey.
- Conducting "Down Beach Recycling Summit," which included Brigantine, Longport, Ventnor and Margate and the Atlantic County Utilities Authority.
- Rutgers University Sustainable Resource Management Professional Certification.

Franz's awards include:

- State of New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection and State of New Jersey, "Recycling Rising Star Category Award Winner."
- 2014 SWANA 50 UNSUNG Hero's Award in appreciation for efforts in making a difference in the Solid Waste Industry
- Recycling Coordinator of the Year "2006" for Atlantic County.
- Received an Award for a 47% increase in business recycling in the City of Margate City, Atlantic County New Jersey "2006."
- 2010 Enforcement Award from New Jersey Clean Communities Council.
- Recognized by the State of New Jersey with the "Outstanding Achievement Award."

Jill Lipoti, Ph.D.

Dr. Lipoti retired from the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection in 2013. She was the Director of the Division of Water Monitoring and Standards, with responsibility for fresh water and marine water monitoring efforts. One of Jill's responsibilities was to oversee the AmeriCorps Watershed Ambassador program – to inspire the next generation of water pollution control professionals. She was also the “Goal Owner” for the Barnegat Bay Action Plan, one of the Governor's priorities for improving water quality.

Prior to assuming this position, she was Director of the Division of Environmental Safety and Health with responsibility for directing the state's radiation protection programs, quality assurance, release prevention, pollution prevention and right to know programs. Jill participated in nuclear emergency response planning and led an effort to improve planning for recovery from a nuclear accident. Under Jill's direction, the effectiveness of the x-ray inspection program was improved through emphasizing the importance of measuring radiation exposure and image quality. Jill Lipoti was elected as Chairman of the Conference of Radiation Control Program Directors, a national organization. She was elected to membership in the National Council of Radiation Protection in 2001, a non-profit organization comprised of the top 100 radiation scientists in the United States, and continues to serve.

Jill Lipoti has provided advice to the International Atomic Energy Agency regarding radiation safety and security, traveling to Ethiopia and Uganda to consult with their radiation control program personnel. Jill has chaired the Radiation Advisory Committee of EPA's Science Advisory Board. She has M.S. and Ph.D. degrees in environmental science from Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey. She received the George H. Cook Award for Distinguished Alumni from Rutgers in 2007.

Now that Jill has retired, she teaches “Introduction to Sustainability” at Rutgers University, consults for enviroCOP, LLC, practices tai chi, makes pottery, and in her spare time, serves on the Borough Council for Roosevelt, NJ. She really enjoys supporting the New Jersey Clean Communities program!

Ron Lottermann

Ron has been the Recycling and Clean Communities Coordinator for the Borough of Fair Lawn since 1995. He has a B.S. in Business Administration from Montclair State University. He is currently certified as a Certified Public Works Administrator (CPWM), Certified Recycling Professional (CRP), Sustainable Management Resource Professional (SRMP) and a Certified Clean Communities Coordinator (CCCC).

Ron has lectured for Rutgers University in the Recycling Coordinator Certification series and the Certified Clean Communities Coordinator series. He has also been a guest lecturer at county meetings for the Bergen County Health Department and the Bergen County Utilities Authority regarding recycling and clean communities. He is also a certified instructor for Blood Borne Pathogens, Hazardous Communications and American Heart Association CPR. He has also completed the OSHA 7505 Incident (Accident) Investigation course. He provides safety training on recycling and solid waste for the Borough of Fair Lawn. To supplement his safety training he is also a NJ EMT and a registered nurse.

Ron is the recipient of the following NJ Clean Communities awards:

- 2005 Creation of the Litter Marshal Program
- 2006 Educational Award
- 2015 Enforcement Award and Municipal Coordinator Award

In 2006 Ron's recycling program won an NJDEP Award for Recycling Achievement and he was awarded "Outstanding Achievement in Recycling" in 2015 from NJDEP.

Howard W Spencer, CSP Bio



Howard holds a BS in Industrial Engineering from Letourneau University. He also earned a Masters of Industrial Engineering from Texas A&M University. Howard earned the Certified Safety Professional designation and also holds Certification with the Board of Hazard Control Management.

He has worked for J.A. Montgomery Risk Control since March of 2006 where he works primarily with Public Sector clients both Municipalities & Utility Authorities. Howard is a Professional Member of ASSE and except for a brief time serving as Treasurer and then President of the Eastern New York chapter; he has primarily been a member of the Penn-Jersey Chapter. He was awarded the "Safety Professional of the Year" award by his chapter in 2012.

He is the developer of the "Howard Talk's Tech" articles on the Penn-Jersey Web site. Eighteen of these articles were selected and published in the ASSE's Special Interest Groups, (SIG's) or Practice Specialties newsletters. He is a regular presenter at Rutgers University having developed and presented the "Safety in Recycling Operations" class since its inception in 2012. Recently he has become a Certified Playground Safety Inspector.

Optional Info:

Prior to his employment with Conner Strong/J.A. Montgomery he has held positions during the prior 25 years with:

- The Minute Maid Company (Coke Cola) Hightstown, NJ
- Ocean Spray Cranberries in Bordentown, NJ
- GE Corporate Research Lab in Schenectady, NY
- EXXON Research & Engineering in Annandale NJ
- Amerada Hess Oil Company, Woodbridge, NJ
- Wills Eye Hospital, Philadelphia PA
- FMC Chemicals in S. Charleston WV
- Aetna L&C Haddonfield, NJ

He is married; has 2 grown children, two grandchildren and lives in Yardley, PA

Liz Sweedy

Liz Sweedy is the Morris County Clean Communities Coordinator and Senior Recycling Specialist for the Morris County Municipal Utilities Authority (MCMUA). She has been employed by the MCMUA for 20 years and is passionate about promoting environmentally sustainable practices and educating the public. She is the 2010 recipient of the “Hy Nadel Creativity Award” and the 2015 NJ Clean Communities Excellence in Education & Creativity Award.

Liz is known for her funky upcycled apparel that is used to bring attention to litter abatement, recycling and solid waste. She brings the story of “The Wartville Wizard” by Don Madden, to third-grade students as she shows them how important it is to prevent litter and to protect our precious Planet Earth.

Liz developed a grant program for public schools that provides the opportunity for students to participate in a litter cleanup to learn about the impact that litter has on the environment, and runs an annual poster contest to promote a “Litter Free Morris County.” She is also the recipient of the following NJ Clean Communities awards:

- 2004 NJ Clean Communities Excellence in Education Award
- 2007 NJ Clean Communities Best Practices Committee Appreciation Award
- 2010 NJ Clean Communities County Coordinator Award
- 2011 NJ Clean Communities Slam Dunk the Junk Program Award
- 2011 NJ Clean Communities Environmental Quality Award
- 2011 NJ Clean Communities Leadership Award

Liz is a member of the New Jersey Clean Communities Best Practices Manual committee. She is also a member of the Alliance for New Jersey Environmental Education (ANJEE) and the Association of New Jersey Recyclers (ANJR). Liz lives in beautiful Morris County, New Jersey with her husband and son.

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