

## Staff Spotlight: 2006 Planner of the Year - Mary GoodHall

Mary Goodhall, Events Coordinator for the DEQ's Environmental Science and Services Division (ESSD), was recently recognized by the Michigan Society of Government Meeting Professionals (SGMP) as the 2006 Planner of the Year. This award is given on an annual basis and recognizes outstanding achievement and involvement within the organization and the meetings industry.

SGMP is a National, nonprofit professional organization of persons involved in planning government meetings, either on a full or part-time basis, and those individuals who supply services to government planners. Its objectives are to improve the quality and promote the cost effectiveness of government meetings by improving the knowledge and expertise of individuals in the planning and management of government meetings through education, training, and industry relationships.

Mary is currently Vice-President of SGMP's Michigan Chapter. Pictured with her are President, Deborah Jensen from Michigan's Children Charter and immediate past President, Andy Silver from the Michigan Department of Community Health.

The ESSD's Workshop Logistical Team hosts a variety of conferences and workshops for the Department's regulatory and non-regulatory programs. In addition to Mary Goodhall, the other members of the Team are Jennifer Acevedo, Marketing; Marlene Osborne, Registrar; and Ruth Hartwig, Graphics and Product Development.

During this fiscal year alone, 52 workshops were conducted with a total attendance of 4,000. Some of the conference topics included an international symposium on wetlands, brownfield redevelopment, stormwater pollution prevention initiative, air quality permitting, SARA Title III, agri-energy, and an environmental compliance conference with 23 breakout sessions. For more information about DEQ workshops, go to [www.michigan.gov/deqworkshops](http://www.michigan.gov/deqworkshops) and click on "Upcoming DEQ Workshops."