

LILWA Elects A New President



If past performance is any indicator of the future, newly elected LILWA president, Tom Gallagher is probably going to hold that office for a long, long time. The man is all about commitment.

At 17, Mr. Gallagher went to work for Al Aparo (Al Aparao Crane & Cesspool) as a helper in the company's portable toilet division. At 37, he's still with Aparo, having advanced through the ranks to become a principal in the company.

Along the way, Tom has held just about every position in the Aparo organization. He is a NYS licensed Sewage Plant Operator and is also state certified to test backflow devices. He is qualified to operate heavy equipment and holds a Class "A" CDL. To say that Tom has a working knowledge of the issues that affect this industry is something of an understatement.

Regarding his presidency, Mr. Gallagher has said that he intends to pick up where his predecessor, Judge Coleman, left off. He wants to pursue solutions to the grease disposal problem, institute tracking procedures for waste haulers, work toward universal certification of industry technicians and strengthen the lines of communication between this organization and government agencies that have jurisdiction over the industry.

He also has plans to increase the "visibility" of LILWA in the community and to work toward betterment of the industry's image, in general.

Oh... and speaking of commitment, Tom also married his high school sweetheart, the former Danielle Aparo. The couple has two daughters.

Other new office holders include, Doug Wholey, Vice President, Tom Johnson, Treasurer and Dick Cescenzo, Secretary.

Congratulations and good luck to all the new officers as they begin their terms.