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74 Year 2002 Members

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NTSAIHA is

50 years old

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NTSAIHA Officer Elections

Elections are over. The following have been elected to the positions indicated. Those elected will take office at the Annual NTSAIHA meeting held mid-year, after the AIHCe.

President-Elect: David Wilson

Secretary: Gerry Walsh

Director: Kay Hawkins ☉

RSKCo is Closing Get Together & Party

By Roger Hallstein

You are invited to the RSKCo Lab closing get together.

April 17, 2002 (Wednesday)

4:00 - 8:00 PM

9742 Skillman, Dallas, TX 75243

In 1980 we opened with a party –
In 2002 we are closing with a party!

Please join me in a final farewell to associates of the RSKCo (Ctek) Laboratory as we close the doors one last time. There will be snacks and “historic” door prizes.

Beginning April 17 through April 26, you may choose to take items from the library, and an assortment of supplies is also available to you.

Looking forward to seeing you again.
Roger Hallstein ☉

Fort Worth Science Fair Winners

Thanks to Vickie Askew, Chuck Pinzino, and Bill Vining who represented the NTSAIHA as judges at the Fort Worth Science Fair. They reviewed all entries and selected the best one that was industrial hygiene related.

Awards were presented to the following participants in the Fort Worth Science Fair:

Division II - Junior Level:

Environmental Sciences

Katie L. Ehrhart

Heritage Middle School

Grapevine, TX

Advisor: Karen Giesler

Title: "How Clean is the Air We Breathe?"

Division I - Senior Level:

Engineering

Mike Jordan

Decatur High School

Decatur, TX

Advisor: Joy Woodruff

Title: "Do Different Types of

Earplugs Vary in the Decibel

Blockage?"

NTSAIHA members will also be judging on behalf of NTSAIHA at the Dallas Science Fair to be held April 6 (Saturday). The Dallas winners will be in the next edition of the newsletter. ☉

Welding Safety & Health Seminar

Seminar Summary

March 26 @ Motorola
Full Seminar
Sponsored by:
NTSAIHA & FWASSE
\$35 Members
\$50 Non-Members
80 people attended.
1 ABIH CM point
0.52 ASSE CEUs

Attendee Evaluations

The majority of attendees felt that the program length was adequate for all topics except for the “Ergonomics of Welding Tasks”. Most believed it was too short and a lot more time was needed to cover adequately. One attendee commented “Way too fast, but understandably why”.

Everyone agreed that Motorola provide an excellent training facility, however there was one comment that it was too cold. One attendee wished we could eliminate wrecks on the highway...sorry but not much we can do about traffic. Attendees rated the food service a 4.5 on a scale of 1-5 with 5 being best.

All evaluations (except 3) rec'd rated the overall effectiveness of the seminar as an 8 or 9 on a scale of 1-10 with 10 being best.

Door Prize Winners

- Norton Cap – Pam Kerr
- Norton Cap – Mike Collins
- Norton Cooler – James Dean
- Moldex Earmuffs – Benito Mercado
- Moldex Earmuffs – Mike Bartosiak
- FM Global Blanket – Julia Beavers
- FM Global Watch – Louise Hanson

Both Pam Kerr and Julia Beavers are from the OK-AIHA local section. Wonderful to see you both!



Thanks to all those who setup tables and/or were available for product demos.

- 3M
- Airgas
- Dupont
- FM Global
- Hagemeyer
- Moldex
- Norton Company
- REPSS Inc
- Texas Safety Assoc.
- Thomas Loss Control



Attendees relax during a break

Special Thanks

Special thanks to Mike Donahue, Treasurer NTSIHA, for being the Emcee and coordinating the speakers & vendors. Also special thanks to Johnny Srader, Vice President FWASSE, for coordinating the facility and vendor setup. Finally thanks to OSHA, the presenters and the vendors for making the seminar a success.

Next Meetings

The next meetings and seminars are still in the planning stages. We will have an Annual Town Hall Meeting to “swear in” the new officers. We are also still planning to have the OSHA / MSHA Regulatory Update in the third quarter.

Hope to see you there ☺
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Treasurer's Report

01/01/02 Through 03/20/02

INFLOWS		\$
<i>Dues Inc</i>	630.00	
<i>Welding Seminar</i>	640.00	
TOTAL INFLOWS	1,270.00	
OUTFLOWS		\$
<i>Leadership Conf.</i>	110.54	
<i>Science Fair</i>	191.17	
TOTAL OUTFLOWS	110.00	
OVERALL TOTALS		\$
<i>Overall Total</i>	968.29	
<i>Checkbook Balance</i>	14,587.90	

NTS-AIHA BOARD MEETING

March 21, 2002

A meeting of the North Texas Section of AIHA Executive Board was held at Fuddrucker's in Irving. The meeting started at 5:30. Those present were Barbara Wilds, President- Elect; Don Hudnall, Director, Stevan Pierce, Director; Larry Liukonen, Director; Gerry Walsh, Secretary; Dan Mc Caskill, President, and Mike Donahue, Treasurer.

Treasurer's Report-Mike Donahue

Our bank balance is \$14,587.00 through March 20, 2002. Keemaka Event Services owes the Section \$1,475.00.

Minutes of 11/9 Board Meeting - Gerry Walsh

Minutes of the previous Board meeting were reviewed without discussion. Barbara made a motion to approve, Larry Liukonen seconded.

Election Results

The results of the recent elections are as follows:

David Wilson-President –Elect
 Kay Hawkins-Director
 Gerry Walsh-Secretary

Membership-Don Hudnall

Don reported we have 75 paid members.

Science Fair

Mike Donahue stated we paid for the award plaques to be given at the Ft. Worth and Dallas Science Fairs. The invoice is \$191.00. Mike also mentioned Bill Vinning, Science Fair Coordinator, requested a sponsor fee for both fairs. In the past our section has paid this fee. Barbara Wilds made a motion we pay what we have in the past which is \$40.00 for Dallas Science Fair and \$175.00 for the Ft. Worth Regional Fair. Stevan Pierce seconded the motion. The Board voted to approve the payment of the fees. Motion passed. No dissenting votes.

A discussion was held about inviting the winners of the Ft. Worth Science Fair to the upcoming Welding Seminar as our guests. Mike Donahue will be contacting Bill Vinning to see if it would be possible to have them attend.

By-Laws

Review and discussion of the local by-laws was held. Some minor changes were made. Larry Liukonen moved the by-laws be accepted as amended. Mike and Don seconded. The Board voted to approve as amended. Motion passed. No dissenting votes. The by-laws will be published in the next newsletter for approval by the membership.

AIHA/ASSE Welding Seminar - Mike Donahue

Currently about 74 people will be attending the seminar. Total capacity for the seminar is 120 people. Eight vendors will be in attendance also. Mike stated the presentations he has seen look very good. Mike will be MC for the seminar. Don Hudnall volunteered to work the check-in table. Don Hudnall brought up door prizes for the Welding Seminar. The vendors will be issuing door prizes. It was agreed to continue the practice

of giving \$25.00 gift certificates to the speakers. Mike will check with Dean Wingo in regards to giving the OSHA presenter a gift certificate. Johnny Srader from Ft. Worth ASSE and Mike have done a terrific job of putting this seminar together.

AIHCE 2003 @ Dallas, Tx

Dan McCaskill, David Wilson, Barbara Wilds and Don Hudnall will be meeting with the AIHCE committee April 1 to discuss the local section's role in the upcoming conference. In the past the local sections have been responsible for setting up the technical tours. AIHCE will be taking the lead on the tours.

Events for 2002

OSHA/MSHA Update- The annual Update may need to be moved to September this year. ASSE, Region III is holding their Professional Development Conference from August 4-6 in Addison. Barbara Wilds will contact Dean Wingo, Ft Worth OSHA Area Director for an alternate date and to discuss the possibility of having John Henshaw, Assistant Secretary of Labor, OSHA address the attendees. If Mr. Henshaw can attend, we will begin looking for a location for the Update. The Assistant Secretary's presence will provide quite a draw for this event

Dallas ASSE/AIHA November Meeting- It is our turn to set up the ASSE/AIHA November luncheon meeting. Barbara suggested Henry Delgado from the U.S. Public Health Service to be the speaker for this event. This item will be discussed further at a later date.

Tele-Web Seminar- Information was presented at the Leadership Workshop regarding AIHA's effort at continuing education. Barbara attended this Workshop and believed it worthwhile to review the Tele-Web seminars.

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The Tele-Web seminars last for about 2 hours. The connection fee is \$195.00 per seminar. Participants would be charged a nominal fee to cover the connection fee and light snack. Participants would earn .2 CEUs. Barbara stated the topics/schedule has not been approved past April. Larry Liukonen made a motion to investigate the Tele-Web Seminars for members. Dan Mc Caskill seconded. The Board voted to approve further investigation. Motion passed.

Miscellaneous

At the AIHA booth in San Diego, “plexy pockets” will be available to local sections to promote their sections. AIHA needs to know by April 8th if we want to participate. If we do participate, we will need to furnish 200 copies to fill the pockets. One thought was to use this to announce our 50th anniversary.

There has been a request for donations from the AIHF for a silent auction to be held during the conference in San Diego. Some of the items discussed were tickets to the Mesquite Rodeo, Rangers Baseball, supper and limo service to the events. Dan will check into the Mesquite Rodeo and Larry will check with the Rangers for schedules.

Barbara mentioned using our website to celebrate our “heroes” and successes. An example would be our involvement with the science fairs, the OSHA Update and any seminars sponsored by the local section.

Don Hudnall made a motion to adjourn. Stevan Pierce seconded. Meeting adjourned at 7:20P.M.. ⊗

Job Opportunity @ OxyChem

OxyChem has an immediate opening for a Regulatory Specialist. The pay range is \$46,600 - 70+ depending on experience. If you know of anyone who may be interested, please contact OxyChem - Barry Christensen at 972-404-3209 - ASAP.

Job Duties

Manage OxyChem TSCA Import Certification & Export Notification System

Generate, review & submit daily TSCA 12(b) Export Notification letters to EPA. Implement procedures to ensure accurate reporting for samples & products. Resolve, in a timely manner, any AS400/SAP outages with CIS personnel. Provide a manual backup to notifications during extended computer outages. Recommend improvements to existing procedures to increase efficiency. Perform various self audit reviews of certification and notification systems. Ensure product MSDS information is in AS400 or on the intranet/internet

Product Registration Duties

Pay State & EPA Pesticide Registration Fees. Insure accuracy of product registration fee information. Maintain Inventory of domestic & international registered products. Prepare product sales & other reports using SAP and AS400. Resolve any discrepancies with governmental agencies. Identify and implement efficiency improvements.

There are more job duties not listed. If you are on the email job opportunity distribution list, you should have received the full details. If you need additional information, please contact Barry Christensen as noted in the first paragraph.

Thanks ⊗

Job Opportunity @ Halliburton

Carrollton Manufacturing Facility

Senior HSE Technical Professional
Responsible for the development and implementation of safety and health strategies, policies, procedures and processes. Participates in diverse activities such as plan development and implementation, proposal review, incident investigation report review, and performance assessments. Interfaces with personnel at all organizational levels, providing leadership, supervision, data interpretation, technical advice and coaching to facilitate continuous HSE performance improvement. Position requires frequent presence on shop floor to maintain relationships with front-line workers, evaluate risk and/or compliance performance, and participate in development of recommendations for improvement.

Minimum Requirements

Must have a thorough working knowledge of United States Safety and Health regulatory requirements and the ability to quickly learn the company health and safety processes and standards. Must be knowledgeable of manufacturing processes and procedures; be able to conduct HSE audits, evaluate findings and develop recommendations for corrective action. Skills typically acquired through a B.S. degree in a technical field plus 10-15 years experience or 20+ years experience without a degree in a manufacturing environment. Excellent oral and written communication skills and PC Proficiency with Word and Excel. Domestic travel up to 10% is required. Prefer Bilingual skills in Spanish or Vietnamese, Professional Certification, and Project Management experience.

Reply to Andrea Bell
andrea.bell@Halliburton.com
or fax at (972) 418-3443. ⊗

NTSAIHA Bylaw Revisions – VOTE

By Don Hudnall (note that the comments are my personal opinions)

The NTSAIHA Executive Committee has reviewed the current Bylaws that were last updated and approved February 1989. The changes made are to reflect current practice and will be submitted to the NTSAIHA voting membership for approval. If approved by the membership, the Bylaws will then go to National AIHA for approval.

The actual Bylaws highlighting the changes will be mailed (sent via email to those on the email distribution list) the week of April 3, 2002. This will be sent as a separate document so we can focus on the members paid for year 2002.

I just wanted to create this article so you would know some of the thinking behind the changes. The following highlight the changes:

Article III: Membership

Section 1 (removed) which deals with memberships within the geographic boundaries of NTSAIHA may be members and anyone else must submit a request in writing to the NTSAIHA Executive Committee and to the Executive Director of AIHA.

Section 2 has been modified to read that any person having an interest in IH may become a member of the NTSAIHA.

Article IV: Membership Meetings,

Section 5 (removed) states that 20% of the NTSAIHA membership must be present at a meeting to constitute a quorum. This has been removed because in the last few years we seem to be lucky to get 10%. If you remember at the year 2000 Annual Town Hall meeting only two members (not counting officers) showed up. In addition to the speaker and new officers taking over,

the Science Fair winners were on-site to show their projects. Very disappointing. This could be a “sign of the times”. The NTSAIHA sponsored all day seminars are doing very well. It seems people are able to take off a full day for a seminar but not break up a workday by leaving for a few hours.

(Brand New) Article V: Executive Committee Meetings

Sections 1 & 2 state that the Executive Committee minutes shall be taken in detail, include roll call votes and will be published in the next local section newsletter. We are doing this anyway and after reading more on the Sunshine Amendment it just seems a good way to keep the membership informed on what is happening.

(Old) Article V: Officers

Section 1. Remove the line “...officers shall serve a one year period...”. This is in contradiction to the following lines that state the Treasurer and Secretary will serve a two-year term. The Treasurer and Secretary are considered Officers.

Section 4. Remove the line that states an officer or director may resign by “oral tender of resignation...”. This would leave written notice as the only option. Note that is automatically effective and does not need acceptance. The written notice would help serve to document NTSAIHA happenings.

Section 6. Add a line stating that the President-Elect can preside over NTSAIHA meetings in the President’s absence. This is only practical as the President may not be able to attend all meetings.

(Old) Article VI: Committees

Section 3. Remove the line stating that the Nominating Committee shall be appointed at least 30 days prior to the annual NTSAIHA meeting and add that it must be done by January 1. Also modify that the nominations must be received by February 14 instead of by March 1. This gives

the newly elected officer a chance to attend the AIHA Leadership Conference that is sometimes held very early in the year.

(Old) Article IX: Dues

Section 2. States that 1st half of year dues are at full price and 2nd half of year is at ½ price. This is difficult to track. Change to membership is at full price until September 30. Anyone paying after September 30 (4th Quarter) will be paying dues for the following year. This will make dues (still only \$15) much easier track.

Section 3. Currently states that anyone not paid by March 1 is not in good standing, cannot vote etc... Change is to anyone not paid for current year is not in good standing. Please note that only members paid for year 2002 will be voting on these Bylaw changes.

Section 4. Remove this section. This section states that someone whose membership has been terminated for nonpayment and wants to rejoin must pay for those years missed. Or at least that is the way it reads. People may want to drop membership for a year and then “re-surface”. I personally believe there should not be a penalty because you were relocated for a year or two or something else occurred where you were not inclined to be a member for a while.

(Old) Article X: Mail Ballot

Sections 1. Change that ballots must be received by February 14 instead of 20 days prior to March 31. This extra time gives newly elected officers a chance to attend the AIHA Leadership Conference.

Sections 1 & 2 have been modified to include email ballots. The members seem to find it easier and faster to respond via email. Also saves you the ever-increasing cost of a stamp.

That’s about it. Thanks. ☺

AIHCe in Dallas, TX 2003

Carol Tobin (AIHA Director, Education & Meetings) and Susan Dunbar (AIHA Manager, Meetings) met with NTSAIHA representatives on April 1, 2002 at the Dallas Convention Center to discuss NTSAIHA's role in the 2003 AIHCe. The theme will be "Navigating Uncharted Territory".

The AIHCe has been streamlined to reduce the impact on the host cities local section. Here are some things that are needed from the NTSAIHA.

Technical tours. Need 4-8 technical tours. They can repeat. No more than 45 minutes travel time. 1/2 day or so for tour. Mon-Thurs. 50 people per tour. Pre-registration required. Need lined up by September 1, 2002.

Will need 16 volunteers to man Information Kiosks. 2hr time slots. Local people who know the area and can assist visitors.

Need someone to coordinate the Foundation Fun Run. Person needs to coordinate a group to oversee the race, get location etc..

Need someone to arrange items for the Opening General Session. Color guard, a band with local flavor, Mayor, singer for National Anthem, non-denominational invocator.

Also if there are any NTSAIHA members attending the AIHCe in San Diego, CA, we need local volunteers to staff the booth advertising the AIHCe in 2003. Helps to have local people who can talk about the city. If you want to volunteer contact Don Hudnall @ 817-280-2832. ☒

FW-ASSE Lunch Meeting



Robert Payter, M.A. Managing Director, Strategic Safety Associates, will be presenting at the FW-ASSE lunch meeting on April 9, 2002.

"Leadership and Movement Safety: Innovative strategies for preventing strains and sprains, slips/falls, hand injuries through elevating safety culture"

Tuesday, April 9, 2002 @ 11:00am
Lunch is Available in Motorola Café
Motorola, 5555 N. Beach St.
Ft. Worth, TX 76137 - Door #5
Meeting Contact: Johnny Srader
Vice President - Ft. Worth ASSE
(817) 245-7600. ☒

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