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### -----NTS-AIHA Committees-----

Programs: Chair- Mike Larranaga  
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### -----Newsletter Sponsors-----

### -----Section Summary-----

North Texas Section - AIHA  
P.O. Box 610925  
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Founded 1952  
71 Year 2005 Members  
22 Year 2006 members

Check out our Web Page at:  
<http://www.aiha.org/localsections/html/NTS>

President's Message  
By Don Hudnall

## Last Call for Officer Nominations



It's past time to have officer elections for 2006-2007. We are slightly behind schedule

because no one seems to want to run for President Elect. Isn't there someone out there who wants to help out? If so then nominate yourself by replying to the newsletter email or contacting any NTS-AIHA officer. We need to know now.

We will hold elections the week of April 10 whether we have a nomination for President Elect or not. If nothing else we may have to have a special election later (when someone is nominated) or perhaps even change our By-Laws to address this issue.

If you have not noticed we seem to get a lot of the same people volunteering every year. We need other members to step up and volunteer. I'm challenging those non-volunteering members. Nominate yourself. Give back to the IH community. Do it now.

## OSHA gets \$13MM Budget Increase

Appropriations for the Department of Labor were approved, three months into the fiscal year. OSHA received a \$13 million increase, \$11 million more than the president requested. The largest increase is for safety and health statistics, a 9% increase over the 2005 budget. Compliance assistance increased 14% over last year. The Susan Harwood Training Grants were kept in by congress, something that the president wanted to cut. Comparatively speaking, MSHA received a small increase of around 1.35 million dollars.

Congress also included specific language that keeps OSHA from using appropriated funds to enforce annual fit testing for occupational exposure to tuberculosis. Initial fit schedule testing is still a requirement.

## New Editor for the Newsletter

Kelly Dennison has taken over the newsletter responsibilities from Barbara Wilds. Barbara has done such a great job with the newsletter, but has had to take on other tasks. We thank her for all her hard work! Please send all newsletter questions, content, and concerns to Kelly at <mailto:kadennison@bellhelicopter.textron.com>.

## Fort Worth Regional Science Fair winners

Division I (Medicine and Health)  
Coffee, Tea, or E. Coli  
 Winner: Lindsey C. Mueller  
 Acton Middle School  
 1300 James Rd  
 Granbury, TX 76048  
 Advisor: Scott Carpenter  
 (Photo not yet available)

Division II (Medicine and Health)  
The Effects of Playing Band Instruments on Hearing of Beginning Band Musicians  
 Winner: Tabitha H. Kao  
 Liberty Christian School  
 9301 Highway 377  
 Argyle, TX 76226  
 Advisor: Heather Lytle  
 (Photo not yet available)

## Thanks to all who helped judge both the Fort Worth and Dallas Regional Science Fairs:

**Vickie Askew**  
**Henry Delgado**  
**Mike Donahue**  
**Robert Garrison**  
**Michael Larranaga**

**Marie Martin**  
**Dan McCaskill**  
**Wendy McDowell**  
**Ed Sward**  
**Bill Vining (chair)**

## Dallas Regional Science and Engineering Fair Winners:

Junior Division (Life Medicine & Health)  
Pain in the Backpack  
 Winner: Boston Mak  
 Robinson Middle School  
 6701 Preston Meadow Drive  
 Plano, TX 75024

Senior Division (Physical Engineering)  
A Novel Method to Reduce Cell Phone Radiation and Power  
 Winner: Christina Chang  
 Jasper High School  
 6800 Archgate Drive  
 Plano, TX 75024

### Treasurer's Report

01/01/2006 Through 1/29/2006

<b>INFLOWS</b>		<b>\$</b>
Dues	330.00	
Teleweb Seminars (1)	130.00	
<b>TOTAL INFLOWS</b>	<b>460.00</b>	
<b>OUTFLOWS</b>		<b>\$</b>
Science Fair	110.00	
Awards/Banquet	265.00	
Teleweb (1)	375.00	
<b>TOTAL OUTFLOWS</b>		
<b>OVERALL TOTALS</b>		<b>\$</b>
Annual Total	85.00	
Checkbook Balance	5,180.20	
Certificate of Deposit	5,278.74	
<b>OVERALL TOTAL</b>	<b>10,458.94</b>	



## Upcoming Meetings, Seminars and Conferences

### AIHA Teleweb – Cost Effective Ergonomics

**Date:** April 4, 2006

**Location:** TBD

**Contact:** <mailto:dhdnall@bellhelicopter.textron.com>

### AIHCe 2006 / Ventilation 2006

**Date:** May 13 – 18, 2006

**Location:** McCormick Place, Chicago, Illinois

**Contact:** <http://www.aiha.org/aihce06/aihce.htm>

### 1<sup>st</sup> American Conference on Human Vibration

**Date:** June 5-7, 2006

**Location:** Morgantown, WV

**Contact:**

<http://www.cdc.gov/niosh/conferences/Vibration/index.htm>

### ASSE Annual Conference and Exposition

**Date:** June 11 – 14, 2006

**Location:** Seattle, Washington

**Contact:** <http://www.asse.org>

### ASSE Region III PDC

**Date:** August 6, 2006

**Location:** TBA

**Contact:** TBA

### PCIH 2006

**Date:** September 16 – 19, 2006

**Location:** San Jose, California

**Contact:** <http://www.aiha.org/TheAcademy/html/pcih.htm>

### National Safety Council Congress and Expo

**Date:** November 3 – 10, 2006

**Location:** San Diego, California

**Contact:** <http://www.nsc.org>

## Year 2006 Membership

### NTS-AIHA Membership Benefits Include

- Subsidized meetings and member discounts.
- \$10 savings on each issue of newsletter sponsorship. \$15/issue for non-members. \$5/issue for members
- NTS-AIHA Membership Directory sent in December and upon request. Members only.
- Immediate notification of local job opportunities for members on email distribution list. .
- NTS-AIHA Voting Rights.

### **Dues are only \$15 / year**

Thank you for taking the time to complete the following information even if you are renewing your membership.

### **NTS-AIHA MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION**

(Please print)

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Certification: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Title: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Employer: \_\_\_\_\_

Business address: \_\_\_\_\_ Home address: \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Fax: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Fax: \_\_\_\_\_

Email address: \_\_\_\_\_

*(NOTE: Please provide an e-mail address so that the newsletter can be e-mailed to you. Hardcopies will no longer be mailed.)*

In membership directory, list my: (check one) Business: \_\_\_\_ Home: \_\_\_\_

Do you wish to receive immediate notification  
 of job opportunities via email: (check one) No: \_\_\_\_ Local I.H. All I.H Jobs  
 Jobs: \_\_\_\_ rec'd: \_\_\_\_

Are you a national member: Yes: \_\_\_\_ No: \_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Dues: \$15.00 per year.....Make checks payable to NTS-AIHA  
 Send this form and payment to:  
**North Texas Section – American Industrial Hygiene Association**  
**P.O. Box 610925, Dallas, TX 75261**  
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