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President’s Message

by Don Hudnall



Please join us for the North Texas Section AIHA annual Town Hall meeting , Tuesday June 27th from Noon to 1 p.m. at the University of

North Texas. We will install new officers, discuss information from the AIHce Local Section Council Business meeting. We will also discuss the OSHA Regulatory Update to be held Tuesday, September 26th at the Ruthe Jackson Center in Grand Prairie- stay tuned for more information! The next AIHA TeleWeb will be presented right after our Town Hall meeting.

Do you have any stories to share from the AIHce? If so, please send them to Kelly Dennison for inclusion in the next newsletter!
<mailto:kadennison@bellhelicopter.textron.com>

EPA Announces Easier Access for Chemicals

EPA is making available a new database that will provide public access to available information on the potential hazards associated with the most widely used industrial chemicals.

The High Production Volume Information System (HPVIS) will provide information on basic health

and environmental effects on the 220 High Production Volume (HPV) chemicals that are sponsored under the HPV Challenge Program. The HPV Challenge Program challenges U.S. companies to voluntarily make available to the public basic health and safety data for chemicals manufactured or imported in volumes of one million pounds or more per year. Information on the HPVIS can be found at <http://www.epa.gov/hpvis>. Information on the HPV Challenge Program can be found at <http://www.epa.gov/hpv>.

TeleWeb Following Town Hall Meeting

The North Texas Section-AIHA is hosting an AIHA sponsored TeleWeb virtual seminar immediately following our Town Hall meeting. Be sure to stay for **Practical Applications for Mold Case Law and Depositions**. This seminar utilizes the latest technological advances live via the Internet and telephone. More information can be found on page 2 of this newsletternewsletter. **To register, contact Don Hudnall at 817-280-2832 or <mailto:dhudnall@bellhelicopter.textron.com>**

Know of any good Newsletter Fodder?? Please send all newsworthy items to Kelly Dennison.

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More Information on the TeleWeb

Date: Tuesday June 27, 2006

Time: 1:00 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.

Title: Practical Applications for Mold Case Law and Depositions

Location: Room 202, Center of Bio-Health (CBH), University of North Texas Health Science Center, School of Public Health, 3400 Camp Bowie Blvd, Fort Worth, TX 76107.

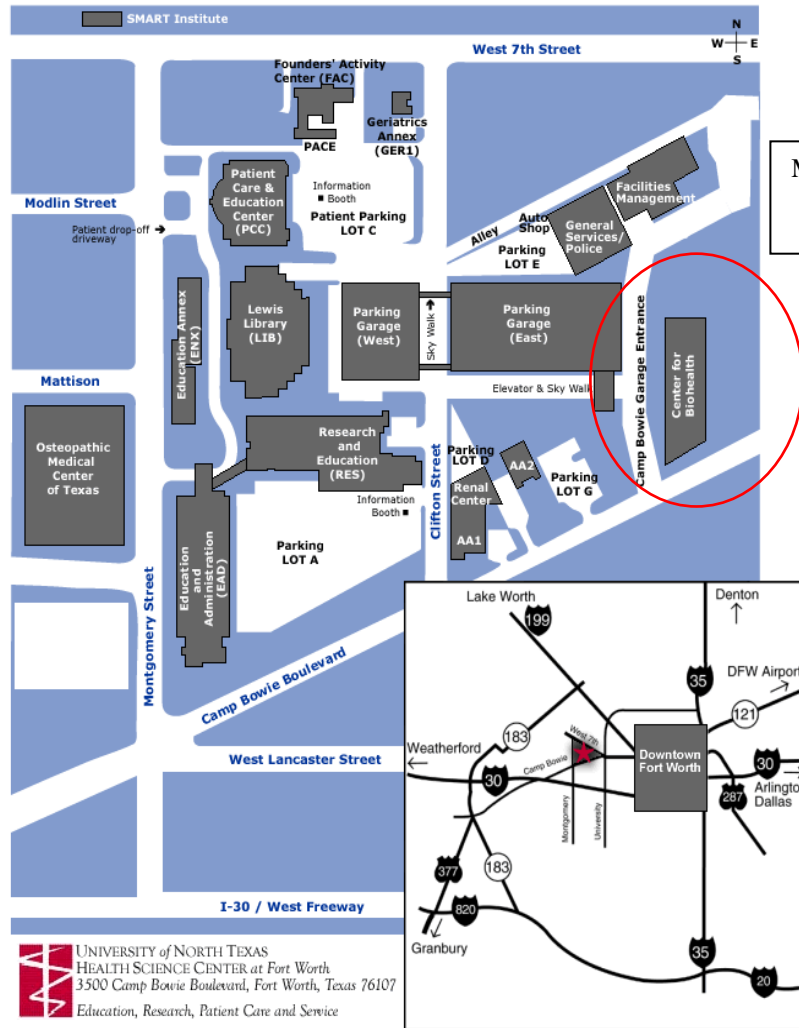
Certification Points: 0.5 CM, 0.25 COC, 0.25 CEU. Participants seeking certification points are required by AIHA to submit a final exam (with an additional processing fee of \$25 per student), and to complete a seminar evaluation.

Cost: \$20 per person (includes printed materials).

OEHS professionals frequently need to testify and prepare information for courtroom use due to the substantial amount of litigation that has resulted from OEHS issues in recent years.

This TeleWeb will prepare OEHS professionals for the issues and challenges these individuals face. It will discuss trends and review fundamental legalities that are often not covered when preparing to testify. J. Wylie Donald, J.D., a partner at McCarter & English, LLP, will use mold sampling and testifying regarding levels of airborne materials in an environment, to illustrate the legal intricacies involved in expert testimony. Topics include Procedure, Causation, Standards Opinions, Depositions, and more. Donald's technical background in mathematics, the application of thermodynamics, nuclear physics, radiation, radiochemistry, chemistry, and electronics, enable him to understand and provide litigation skills beyond those found in ordinary legal practices.

To register, contact Don Hudnall at 817-280-2832 or



Happenings from the Hill

Congress Eyes Change to Reference of Non-Consensus Standards by OSHA

In the latest move to address the issue of consensus vs. non-consensus standard referencing by OSHA, Rep. Charlie Norwood has introduced legislation that would prohibit OSHA and MSHA from referencing any finding, guidelines, standard, rule or regulation that was formulated by a non-consensus organization. The bill, HR 5554, was introduced on June 8th and is again aimed at the issue of

The OSHA HazCom Standard and its references to the ACGIH TLVs. Rep. Norwood believes that the law must be changed.

HR 5554 is not the only legislation addressing this issue. Senator Michael Enzi included a section in his OSHA reform bill, S 2066, that would essentially do the same thing. Rep. Norwood, Chair of the House Subcommittee on Workforce Protections, held a hearing on April 27th regarding this issue and has scheduled another hearing on the same issue on June 14th.

Mark your calendars



Upcoming Meetings, Seminars and Conferences for 2006

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>

**Reducing Losses from Occupational Health
Risks and Environmental Exposures**

Date: July 24-26, 2006

Location: Boston, MA

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

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