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93 Year 2002 Members

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NTSAIHA is

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## AIHce in Dallas 2003 Call for Volunteers

Everyone knows by now that the AIHce is coming to Dallas in 2003 and that the NTSAIHA has been called upon to assist in several areas.

Don Hudnall is the Local Coordinator Chair with the following being assigned or coerced into being Sub-Coordinators.

### Community Service / Blood Drive

Sub-Cordinator: Ross Jones

### AIHA Fun Run

Sub-Cordinator: Henry Delgado

### Promotion

Sub-Cordinator: Don Hudnall

### Opening General Session

Sub-Cordinator: David Wils on

### Technical Tours

Sub-Cordinator: Ed Sward

### Personnel / Information Kiosks

Sub-Cordinator: Barbara Wilds

There is a separate attachment named 03 Volunteer List. This list breaks out dates, times and number of volunteers needed for each event. If you wish to volunteer contact Don Hudnall as indicated. We will put this on the NTSAIHA website and try to keep it updated.

Please note that you don't have to be a NTSAIHA member to volunteer, however it does help to know the Dallas area if you are going to work in an Information Kiosk. Also please note that the times may change slightly as the indicated times are based on volunteer assignments at the 2002 AIHce in San Diego. ☉

## November Event – Joint SW-ASSE & NTSAIHA Breakfast Meeting

The joint meeting between NTSAIHA and SW Chapter - ASSE will be Nov 11, 2002 at the Crowne Plaza Hotel on Midway Rd in Addison. Registration will begin at 7:30am. The meeting begins at 8:00am with Carolyn Tolly being introduced at 8:25am and the meeting concluding around 9:00am.

Jim Resenic, SW-ASSE Treasurer, needs NTSAIHA members to register no later than noon November 6<sup>th</sup>. You can register on line by going to the SW-ASSE web site. Go to the bottom right of the front page and clicking on registration (After Sep. 1) or call the number listed.

Should you choose to take that route, please identify if you are an AIHA member or both ASSE and AIHA.

The Speaker will be Carolyn Tolley and her topic will be "Establishing and Maintaining A Viable Hearing Program."

Al Watters, VP, SW Chapter, ASSE has been in close contact with NTSAIHA throughout the year. NTSAIHA really appreciates being able to work together to make these meetings a success. Thanks Mr. Watters and thanks SW Chapter ASSE for coordinating this meeting.

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## NTSAIHA Board Meeting Minutes

July 23, 2002

By Gerry Walsh,  
NTSAIHA Secretary



The Annual Meeting of the North Texas Section of the American Industrial Hygiene Association was held at the DFW Harvey Hotel. The officers and directors in attendance were D.McCaskell, B.Wilds, D.Hudnall, M.Dohahue, D.Wilson, S.Pierce and G.Walsh.

The Board meeting was held from 5:00-6:00pm. Dinner followed at 6:00pm. The following topics were discussed at the Board meeting.

### OSHA Update

The 2002 OSHA Update will be held on September 10th at the DFW Harvey Hotel. The event will be co-sponsored by NTS-AIHA, Ft. Worth ASSE and Southwest ASSE (Dallas). The fee will be \$35.00 for members of the organizations and \$50.00 for non-members. (Note: This fee was later increased by \$5) The fee includes continental breakfast, lunch and breaks. A suggestion was made to have attendees send in the questions to OSHA prior to the Update. Barbara made a motion not to invite vendors to set up at the Update. The reasons were two fold, 1. Lack of contact time and 2. OSHA does not like to commercialize this event. G. Walsh second, motion passed.

### AIHCE 2003

Don Hudnall talked about the upcoming AIHce to be held in Dallas. There will be a meeting with Susan Dunbar the week of August 26th to review progress for the conference. Volunteers are needed for the Fun Run, Blood Drive, Technical Tours, Kiosk and Employment Opportunities Desk. We need to have 8 Technical Tours, two for each day of the conference.



Dinner was served followed by Captain Henry Delgado's presentation "World Trade Center Emergency Response Operations". Captain Delgado gave an excellent overview of the conditions at Ground Zero and coordination problems resulting from the attack. The NYC Emergency Command Center was located in one of the smaller WTC buildings and was destroyed when the towers collapsed. IH monitoring was conducted by several agencies and organizations, however current information was difficult to obtain because there was not a central location where this information could be organized and obtained in a useful manner.

To wrap things up, Don Hudnall called for volunteers at the dinner to help with the 2003 AIHCE. A number of members signed up for the various activities. The dinner meeting concluded at 8:15pm.

Attendees finished the evening by networking or checking out some of the old IH equipment on display in the dining area. ⊗

### 50th Anniversary Article

National has told us we can put an article in the Synergist, e-news letter or post on the AIHA national website. It was agreed to create an article for the Synergist.

### By-Laws

The newly approved North Texas Section By-Laws will be posted on the local section web page. ⊗

## Annual Town Hall Mtg Summary

The NTSAIHA Annual Town Hall Meeting immediately followed the Board Meeting that was held at the DFW Harvey Hotel on July 23rd. The dinner meeting went very well with around 30 people attending. Dinner was free to everyone. NTSAIHA members attending the dinner were also the first to receive their free NTSAIHA anniversary mugs & coasters.

To kick things off, Dan McCaskill introduced the new NTSAIHA Officers. Dan McCaskill becomes Past-President, Barbara Wilds becomes President, David Wilson becomes President Elect, Gerry Walsh retains the Secretary position and Kay Hawkins replaces Larry Liukonen as a Director.



## Treasurer's Report

01/01/02 Through 06/21/02

<b>INFLOWS</b>		<b>\$</b>
<i>Dues Inc</i>	825.00	
<i>Welding Seminar</i>	2,335.00	
<b>TOTAL INFLOWS</b>	3,160.00	
<b>OUTFLOWS</b>		<b>\$</b>
<i>Leadership Conf.</i>	110.54	
<i>Postage</i>	34.00	
<i>Science Fair</i>	406.17	
<i>Welding Seminar</i>	2,251.01	
<b>TOTAL OUTFLOWS</b>	2,801.72	
<b>OVERALL TOTALS</b>		<b>\$</b>
<i>Overall Total</i>	358.28	
<i>Checkbook Balance</i>	14,202.89	

## AIHA - Happenings From The Hill

Sections pulled from Aaron Trippler's (Director Government Affairs Grp) newsletter.

### Legislation Introduced To Ban Asbestos

Senator Patty Murray of Washington has introduced legislation that would essentially ban asbestos in the United States by 2005. The bill, S 2641, would revisit the EPA attempt back in 1989 to ban this substance.

The EPA attempt was overturned by a Court of Appeals in 1991. While new uses of asbestos were banned, existing ones were not. This legislation would ban all future uses of asbestos.

It is expected that this legislation will be somewhat controversial if there is time for debate. With Congress wrapping up their work before the fall elections, it will be very difficult for this legislation to move forward in this session of Congress. Insiders do believe, however, that Senator Murray will hold hearings on the issue and will probably re-introduce the legislation early next year.

AIHA has no existing position on the use of asbestos. Previous AIHA efforts have focused on the requirements for professionals involved in asbestos abatement and not on the substance itself.

### Mold Legislation Introduced

In yet another issue of interest to AIHA, Rep. John Conyers of Michigan has introduced his long-awaited legislation on mold. The bill, HR 5040 and titled the "United States Toxic Mold Safety and Protection Act of 2002", is a broad bill that entails many different facets pertaining to the issue of mold.

The thrust of the bill is to create a national toxic mold hazard insurance program and indoor mold hazard assistance. There are also provisions regarding housing and real property sales. For AIHA, our interest lies in the sections dealing with the qualifications of individuals involved with mold inspection and remediation.

AIHA had met with staff of Rep. Conyers urging them to assure the public that these individuals were qualified and that laboratories used for analysis were accredited. The final bill addresses the qualifications aspect, but does not provide for what one would call "pre-qualified" individuals. The bill mandates EPA to promulgate standards for certification of mold inspectors, mold remediators, mold testing labs, mold risk assessors and industrial hygienist involved with mold remediation planning.

AIHA would like to see the bill be a little more specific in regards to this, but the real work will be to work with EPA on these standards if the legislation is enacted.

Will the bill be enacted? It is doubtful this will occur in the time remaining in the 107<sup>th</sup> session. But it will return after the first of the year – you can bet on it!

### Ergonomics Legislation Moves Forward

As expected, a Senate Committee has taken the first step in moving ergonomics legislation forward. The bill, S 2184 introduced by Senator John Breaux, would mandate that OSHA promulgate an ergonomics regulation within two years.

The Senate Health, Education, Labor and Pensions Committee in late June passed the bill out on a party-line vote. There was talk of several possible amendments that would be attempted by the Republicans, but at the last minute they decided they could not win on these amendments and they therefore decided to let the bill move forward as written.

However, the bill is far from passed. As a matter of fact, no one is quite sure what will happen next. Everyone agrees that a stand-alone bill on ergonomics will never be enacted. If it succeeds in the Senate, the House will never enact it. Labor Secretary Chao has also publicly indicated that she would recommend a Presidential veto if the bill ever makes its way to President Bush.

That leaves the option of attaching the bill to another piece of legislation. The most logical would be the Labor appropriations bill. But again, troubles loom. Republicans have threatened a filibuster if this occurs and there would not be enough votes to override the filibuster. Could it be attached to some other legislation? Possible, but at this stage of the session, doubtful.

This is what keeps Washington interesting! ☒

# OSHA / MSHA Regulatory Update September 10, 2002

DFW Harvey Hotel  
Hwy 114 & Esters



The location for the September 10 OSHA/MSHA Update has been finalized. This event will be at the DFW Harvey Hotel located at Esters Blvd. and Hwy 114 on the North side of the DFW Airport. Mike Rivera (FT. Worth OSHA) is working on the topics, and has provided the following suggested ones:

- OSHA Nursing Home & Health Care Facility Initiative and Needle Stick Prevention Regulations
- Recordkeeping Update
- Ergonomics Strategy
- OSHA Emphasis Prgm -Amputations

Other possibilities include:  
Compliance Policy for Emergency Action Plans and Fire Prevention Plans  
OSHA Targeting or "Why are you inspecting me?"

Also, it has been suggested that there be a question and answer session where questions are provided in advance of the seminar. If you have any questions you would like OSHA to answer, please send the question to Barbara Wilds as indicated at the top of page 1. She will forward to OSHA. The questions can then be answered during the different presentations, as appropriate, or can be answered at the end of the seminar.

The cost of the seminar will be \$40 for members of NTS-AIHA, Ft. Worth ASSE and Dallas ASSE. For individuals who are not members of any of these three organizations, the cost will be \$55. This is a bare-minimum cost, due to the cost of the food and to the cost for complimentary meals for the presenters. We need to try to get at least 64 attendees, or we will go in the hole because of the minimum cost charged by the hotel.

To Register:  
Contact Don Hudnall 817/280-2832 or Barbara Wilds 817/280-5857. Email and fax numbers are also listed at the top of page 1.

We will confirm registration, but we must have a name and contact information (phone number or preferably an e-mail address) to do so. The only payment that will be accepted will be checks or cash. Payment can be made at the door but you must pre-register so we can order the correct number of meals. Checks should be made payable to NTS-AIHA. Registration must be received by end of day on 9/4/02 so that the number of meals can be arranged.

The meals will include continental breakfast, lunch and an afternoon snack. Check-in will be from 7:30 a.m. to 8:00 a.m. with the seminar starting at 8:00 a.m. The seminar will conclude at 4:00 p.m. ☉

# OSHA / MSHA Regulatory Update September 10, 2002 DFW Harvey Hotel

Hwy 114 & Esters Blvd

To Register:

- Mail this form as indicated or,
- Contact Don Hudnall 817-280-2832 [dhudnall@bellhelicopter.textron.com](mailto:dhudnall@bellhelicopter.textron.com) or,
- Contact Barbara Wilds 817-280-2827 [bwilds@bellhelicopter.textron.com](mailto:bwilds@bellhelicopter.textron.com)

## Registration Form

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CM and CEU points are being requested.

NTSAIHA / ASSE Members \$40  
Non-Member Fee \$55

Mail this form and check payable to  
NTSAIHA to:

NTS-AIHA  
P. O. Box 610925  
Dallas, TX 75261

## Year 2002 Membership Form

### NTS-AIHA Membership Benefits Include

- \$15 savings on registration for seminars. Attend one seminar and recoup the cost of your annual dues.
  - March 26 -Welding Hazards/Health Effects Full Day Seminar.
  - September 10- OSHA/MSHA Regulatory Update Full Day Seminar
- \$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.
- Monthly newsletter. Preferred sending via email to members. Hardcopies sent upon request.
- 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. This helps to keep the NTS-AIHA Membership Directory current. Thank You For Your Support

## NTS-AIHA MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

(Please print)

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

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

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 of job opportunities via email: (check one)      No: \_\_\_\_ 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:

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## Where Do I Get My Mug & Coaster?

(NTSAIHA Year 2002 members only)

You can pick them up at a NTS-AIHA sponsored meeting or seminar. They will be at the Sept. 10 OSHA /MSHA Regulatory Update. Hope to see you at the update!



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