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HAPPY THANKSGIVING

Happy Thanksgiving fellow Lehigh Valley AIHA members!

Doug Reigle of Colorcon has offered to host our two upcoming telewebs on December 3rd and December 10th. Details for registering are at the rear of this newsletter.

Our Holiday Social will be held at the Bethlehem Brew Works at 7 PM to 10 PM on December 6, 2007. The social is a great time filled with food and good conversation with peers in the profession. Drinks will be sponsored by Hillmann Environmental Group. Be sure to put it on your calendars, you won't want to miss it!!!

The Environmental Issues Committee of the National AIHA is looking for nominees for the Rachel Carson Award for 2008. If you have a nominee in mind, please submit a nomination form. Details are on the next page of the newsletter.

We are currently looking for topics and speakers for a February Dinner Meeting. If you would like to submit an idea or volunteer as a speaker, please email me at jellis@hillmanngroup.com

Your continued support in our local section is greatly appreciated. Hope to see you soon!

Jennifer Ellis President



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2007-2008 PROPOSED CALENDAR

Date/Time	Topic	Location
December 3, 2007	Application of Life Safety Engineering Principals, Part #1	Colorcon 420 Moyer Blvd West Point, PA
December 6, 2007 7:00-10:00 PM	Holiday Social	Bethlehem Brew Works
December 10, 2007	Application of Life Safety Engineering Principals, Part #2	Colorcon 420 Moyer Blvd West Point, PA
February	Dinner Meeting	TBA
April 3, 2008	Professional Development Conference Tentative Schedule Topics Include: 1. Methamphetamine Laboratory Remediation 2. Implementing a Reproductive Health Program	Best Western and Gateway Conference Center – Bethlehem, PA
April 4, 2008	Industrial Hygiene Conference Tentative Schedule Topics Include: 1. National AIHA President, Don Hart 2. Introduction to LEED 3. Bayesian Statistics 4. Control Banding 5. ANSI/AIHA Z9.3 Spray Finishing Standard	Best Western and Gateway Conference Center – Bethlehem, PA

TBA = To Be Announced

The Rachael Carson Award

What Rachel Carson noted 42 years ago in *Silent Spring* could have been written yesterday: "...we have put poisonous and biologically potent chemicals indiscriminately into the hands of persons largely or wholly ignorant of their potentials for harm. We have subjected enormous numbers of people to contact with these poisons, without their consent and often without their knowledge. It is the public that is being asked to assume the risks that the insect controllers calculate. The public must decide whether it wishes to continue on the present road, and it can only do so when in full possession of the facts.The choice, after all, is ours to make. If, after having endured much, we have at last asserted our 'right to know,' and if, knowing, we have concluded that we are being asked to take senseless and frightening risks, then we should no longer accept the counsel of those who tell us that we must fill our world with poisonous chemicals; we should look about and see what other course is open to us." (*Silent Spring*, 1962)

Established in 1987 as the Drum Buster Award, when this committee was the AIHA-ACGIH Hazardous Waste Committee, and renamed the Rachel Carson Award in 2002, after the committee was renamed the AIHA Environmental Issues Committee, this is the highest honor bestowed upon an environmental health and safety (EH&S) professional by the AIHA Environmental Issues Committee, on behalf of the American Industrial Health Association. It is presented to those EH&S persons who have attained outstanding success and distinction in their Environmental and Industrial Health and Safety business, profession or life's work.

Additional information and the 2008 Rachel Carson Award Nomination Form can be found at:

<http://www.aiha.org/Content/InsideAIHA/Volunteer+Groups/enviroissuescommrachelcarson.htm>



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LV-AIHA UPCOMING MEETINGS

Title: Application of Life Safety Engineering Principles, Part 1
When: Monday, December 3, 2007
Location: Colorcon, 420 Moyer Blvd, West Point, PA
Time: 2:00—4:30 PM

Title: Application of Life Safety Engineering Principles, Part 2
When: Monday, December 10, 2007
Location: Colorcon, 420 Moyer Blvd, West Point, PA
Time: 2:00—4:30 PM

Course Descriptions

Part #1

Life safety refers to the features of a building that enable its occupants to exit safely and/or seek refuge within a building in the event of a fire or similar emergency within the building. In this course, participants will learn basic principles of life safety for an occupied environment. The life safety principles discussed in this course will be based on the Life Safety Code, published by the National Fire Protection Association. Although the principles taught within this course are applicable to any occupancy, life safety concepts associated with industrial, business, healthcare, and storage occupancies will be emphasized. The first part of the course will focus on the life safety assessment process, occupancy classification, and egress calculations. Numerous case studies of fires will be presented to reinforce lecture concepts.

Part #2

The second part of the course will focus on travel distance requirements, exit signage, compartmentation features, fire extinguishers, sprinkler systems, and fire behavior. Case studies of fires will also be presented to reinforce concepts.

*** Each TeleWeb is Pending approval for 0.5 Certification Maintenance points by the ABIH.

PRICE: \$30.00 Members, \$50.00 Non-members

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