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Next Meeting

November 13, 2008

6 p.m. Sign in / Networking

6:30 Dinner and Presentation

Manny's Restaurant
270 Southwest Boulevard
Kansas City, Missouri

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Career Opportunities

The Department of Safety Sciences at the University of Central Missouri (UCM) has initiated a search to fill three full-time, assistant professor, tenure track positions. We are searching for individuals with experience and expertise in a variety of areas, including occupational safety and health, environmental management, fire safety, systems safety, loss control and risk management. Visit the Human Resources website at www.ucmo.edu/hr for the full positions description.

Positions numbers: 998487, 998484, 998627.

Central serves over 10,000 students in more than 150 areas of study. UCM is located in Warrensburg, MO, a community of 18,000 people, situated approximately 45 miles east of Kansas City. The Department of Safety Sciences has a distinguished faculty and well established programs that allow students to specialize in multi-disciplinary fields. The Department has two ASAC/ABET accredited programs: a masters in industrial hygiene and a bachelors in occupational safety and health. To learn more about the university or the department, please visit www.ucmo.edu.

Send story ideas or announcements for inclusion in future Newsletters to:

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MID-AMERICA LOCAL SECTION SPRING SYMPOSIUM

March 2009

Information Coming Soon...

Upcoming Events of Note:

Professional Conference on Industrial Hygiene (PCIH)
Tampa, Florida
November 8–11, 2008

AIHA Mid America Holiday Party-TBD

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Department of Safety Sciences University of Central Missouri

8th Annual Safety Sciences Fall Symposium

“Building Quality OSH Programs Through Vision and Leadership”

Date: November 14, 2008

Time: 7:30 to 4:30

HELLO
Where:

University of Central Missouri Campus
**Ed Elliott Union, Room 237A,
Union 233 & Union 235**
Warrensburg, Missouri 64093

Registration Deadline:

November 2, 2007

Send to:

UCM Safety Sciences Symposium
Humphreys 327
Warrensburg, MO 64093
or
Fax: 660-543-8142

Questions or Information

The Fall Symposium is co-hosted by the Department of Safety Sciences and the Association of Student Industrial Hygienists.

Fifty percent (50%) of any realized proceeds from the symposium will go to the ASIH student chapter.

*CIH Certification points have been requested, previous Symposiums also qualified for CSP points.

Get the Word Out!

We are looking for local companies with interest in helping to support this newsletter and the local AIHA section through advertising. With only a small donation (time, treasure or talent accepted) you can help spread the news, and support your local AIHA section. If you are interested please contact Greg Lemke at: aihamidamerica@live.com today!



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Update your Website information!

Updated membership contact information is needed. Please contact **Saundra Harris** or **Greg Lemke** to update your contact information. This is a great opportunity for you to network with other industry professionals, and we want to help make sure that you have the contact information you need to be successful in your efforts.

MEMBERSHIP DUES UPDATE

Membership dues are due for those members who have '2008' next to their names on the website this year. Payment can be made to Saundra Harris at any of our regularly scheduled meetings or by contacting her directing at:

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Refer a colleague or friend to join AIHA and the local section. After all, AIHA is your essential connection to other OEHS professionals. Whether you are a practicing professional, student, professor, or consultant.

With AIHA membership, you become part of a community of more than 10,600 experienced professionals from every industry worldwide who are dedicated to health and safety in the workplace, community, and environment

AIHA membership offers you

A sense of community and belonging to the IH and OEHS professions is fostered with benefits such as: Volunteer Groups, Special Interest Groups, E-mail Discussion Groups, Networking Opportunities, and Resources for Consultants, along with Career Leadership Opportunities.

AIHA also offers many opportunities and experiences that enable you to grow professionally including: The Synergist magazine, Journal of Occupational and Environmental Hygiene, Distance Learning Courses, Career Advantage, Special Student Membership Benefits, OEHS Central, Symposia, Future Leaders Institute.

Advocacy

With AIHA, you and the profession have a voice. You are heard through programs such as: AIHA Government Affairs, Public Relations, and Consumer Relations.

AIHA Holiday Party??

Interested in fellowship with your peers and friends during this upcoming Holiday season? Contact Vicki Bender and let her know your interest and ideas. We are looking for your involvement to bring about local expansion and growth of your local AIHA section.

PHOTO CONTEST

Show off your photography skills by entering in our reason of the season photo contest. Submit your best photo demonstrating the real reason of the holiday season by December 1, 2008.

The winning photo will appear in next month's newsletter and the winner will also receive a free local AIHA section membership for one year.



Submit photos to aihamidamerica@live.com

Photos must be received by 11:59pm on December 1, 2008. All photos must be in .jpeg format, no size restriction. Photos must be original and not altered in any manner. Entrants must currently be members of AIHA Mid America, or join prior to contest submission.

Upcoming AIHA TeleWebs

November 6, 2008

Particle Size-Selective Sampling: What You Need to Know About Human Health Impacts

November 18, 2008

Color Coding of Respirator Air Purifying Elements: NIOSH Requirements and Limitations

December 2, 2008

ANSI/AIHA Z9.11: Laboratory Decommissioning - Keeping in Compliance with the New Standard



AIHA

Protecting Worker Health

Thanksgiving

How did science make that turkey so big?

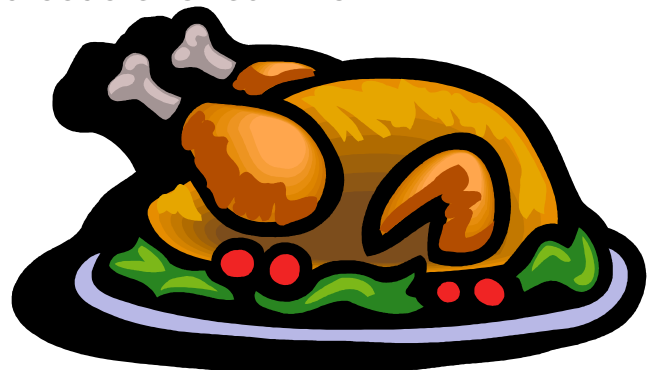
Many people assume that those big twenty pound turkeys in the grocery stores are a result of hormone injections. This is not the case. Prior to the 1950's a synthetic hormone, diethylstilbestrol, was injected in poultry to produce more muscle. More muscle means more good meat. This hormone however, was found to cause cancer and birth defects in humans. As a result, the use of the hormone in poultry was banned in the 1950's. Additionally, in the 1970's the Environmental Protection Agency made it illegal to use the hormone in any food animals.

Today's big turkeys owe their size to the incorporation of a special diet, vaccinations, and selective breeding. Turkeys with the desired characteristics (big breast muscles) are bred, passing along their genes to their offspring. The turkeys are fed a diet that is conducive to muscle building and growth. They are also kept healthy and free from

respiratory and intestinal disease through vaccinations.

The product of this type of breeding is a big-breasted "super turkey". While this is the desired result for consumers, the turkeys themselves face problems due to their bulked-up bodies. Besides the fact that they make for a more desirable meal, the big breast muscles on these turkeys make it too difficult for mating.

The turkeys must be artificially inseminated. In addition, the mother turkey is never in contact with her young. This means that the young chicks don't get a chance to pick up on survival skills or behavioral clues from the mother as they would in the wild. These specially bred, domesticated turkeys are totally dependent on breeders for survival.



Source: Aboutscience.com: biology