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Meeting Announcement - April 20 Draeger Safety, Inc. Facility Tour

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Please join us for a luncheon followed by a tour of the Draeger Safety, Inc. facility and presentation on issues surrounding Homeland Security/Domestic Preparedness. Non-members are welcome!

Date: Tuesday, April 20, 2004

Time: 12:00 p.m. to ~2:30 p.m.

12:00 - Lunch

12:30 to 1:30 - Tour

1:45 to 2:15 - Presentation

Location: [Draeger, Safety, Inc.](#)

RIDC Park West

101 Technology Dr., Pgh. PA 15275

Topic: Homeland Security/Domestic Preparedness Presentation

Cost: No Charge - **FREE!**

Meal: Luncheon provided.

To Register: Please register using our [online registration form](#). However, if you wish to register by phone, contact Julie Panko at 412-281-6900, ext. 1020 or email at jpanko@chemrisk.com. Please register before Thursday, April 15, 2004.

MEMBER NEWS

Please welcome the following new members to our local section:

Glynnis Anne Bowman,
Project Specialist with
PSI, Inc.

Brian Karlovich, CIH -
Sr. Industrial Hygienist
with Michael Baker Jr.,
Inc.

William Nicastro,
Environmental Project
Manager with L. Robert
Kimball & Associates.

Membership Survey Results

In February our members were asked to complete a one-page survey that asked several questions related to meeting attendance, age/gender, occupation, etc. and submitted

Membership Survey Results *(Continued from page 1)*

comments on why they do/do not attend meetings. In addition, the members were asked to rate different meeting parameters (cost, time, speaker, topic, CM points, location, etc.) on how important each one was in their decision to attend/not attend local section meetings. The results are being compiled, but preliminary data shows some interesting findings that should help to improve the quality of our local section meetings.

The general consensus of our members is that the meeting topic and the quality of the speaker is most important, while the cost of the meeting and the quality of food is least important. The complete report will be discussed at our May Business Meeting.

Thanks to the fifty members who took the time to complete the survey - your input is greatly appreciated and will help the Executive Committee to better serve the members of our Local Section.

Regional Task Force to Sponsor Four Household Hazardous Waste Collections in Western Pennsylvania

Take a quick look around your house and you may discover as much as 100 pounds of household hazardous waste in your basement, garage and storage closets. Surprised? Don't be - you're not alone. According to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, an average home can easily accumulate this amount of cleaners, paints, stains and varnishes, car batteries, motor oil, pesticides and other products containing hazardous components.

Individuals living throughout southwestern Pennsylvania will have an opportunity to safely dispose of hazardous products commonly found in their homes – ranging from oven cleaners and antifreeze to paint thinners and insecticides – at four collections scheduled throughout the spring and summer months.

The Southwestern PA Household Hazardous Waste Task Force will sponsor collections in four counties. **The first event will take place on Saturday, May 1, from 9 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. at the North Park Swimming Pool Parking Lot in Allegheny County.** The remaining collections will take place in June (Armstrong County), July (Lawrence County) and August (Butler County).

“Homeowners typically find hazardous products in five areas of their homes: the kitchen, bathroom, garage, workshop and garden,” according to Dave Mazza of the Pennsylvania Resources Council, which administers the campaign. “While hazardous products are safe to use if you take the proper precautions, problems generally arise when you use or dispose of them improperly. The Task Force’s mission is to provide the public with an opportunity to dispose of such materials in an environmentally friendly manner, and we’re pleased to expand the program in 2004 to serve even more residents by organizing four collections.”

The four collections will accept the following materials: aerosol cans; automotive fluids (motor oil, transmission fluid, antifreeze, kerosene, break fluid); batteries (household, automotive); chemistry sets; cleaners (ammonia, drain openers, acid cleaners, oven cleaners); mercury thermometers; paint products (latex, oil based, alkyd-based, arts/crafts chemicals, rust preservatives, creosote, water sealers, paint thinners, furniture

ENVIRONMENTAL CONFERENCE

The PA Chamber of Commerce will hold its **2004 Annual Environmental Laws and Regulations Conference and Trade Show**, Tuesday and Wednesday, April 13 and 14 at the Harrisburg-Hershey Marriott. This program offers the opportunity to hear from **EPA Region III Administrator Don Welsh** and **PA DEP Secretary Kathleen McGinty** and a sweeping overview on Hazardous and Residual Waste, Brownfields, Storage Tanks, Clean Air, and the Water laws- and includes a **Special Session on Terrorism Response for Environmental Managers**. For more information visit www.pachamber.org.

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Draeger X-Plore 3300

The new Draeger X-plore® 3300 limited use half mask respirator is made from a soft yet durable Thermo Plastic Elastomer (TPE) which provides a comfortable yet secure seal for your respiratory protection. The Flexi-Fit harness system is extremely comfortable when wearing head protection and will fit under-neath a hardhat. An innovative X-guided strap ensures an even distribution of the mask against the face giving you the ultimate comfort without unwanted pressure. To meet a wide range of industrial applications, Draeger offers a full line of NIOSH approved cartridges and filters with their exclusive two-point bayonet connector.



Dräger X-plore 3300

Draeger X-Plore 3500

The new NIOSH Approved Draeger X-plore®3500 half mask cartridge respirator uses a specially developed Draeger Flex material is hypoallergenic, giving you a soft and comfortable seal without skin irritation. The Flexi-Fit harness system is extremely comfortable when wearing head protection and will fit underneath a hardhat. An innovative X-guided strap ensures an even distribution of the mask against the face giving you the ultimate comfort without unwanted pressure. To meet a wide range of industrial applications, Draeger offers a full line of NIOSH approved cartridges and filters with their exclusive two-point bayonet connector.



Dräger X-plore 3500

Draeger X-Plore 5500

The exclusive triple sealing edge found on the Draeger X-plore 5500® means that there are actually three sizes in this one mask. It makes selection and use of a respirator much easier since any one can wear the same size mask. The compact low-profile design ensures a wide, unobstructed field of vision. To meet a wide range of industrial applications, Draeger offers a full line of NIOSH approved cartridges and filters with their exclusive two-point bayonet connector.



Dräger X-plore 5500

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