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### Message From Your President - Getting Involved in 2004

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Happy New Year! Hope you all had a wonderful holiday and only gained a few pounds. What would you say if I told you our AIHA Pittsburgh section would not be around in 10 years? Several local sections around the country have dissolved over the years for many reasons, most having to do with apathy, poor leadership and no member involvement. Can it happen here? You bet it can! Our industry base is shrinking, our IH population is aging and we annually lose several members to retirement. Last year five more members retired.

I hope all of you care enough to ask the question, what can I do? The answer is simple; get interested and get involved. Join a committee, run for office, volunteer to help, come to a meeting or two or three. Volunteers are the backbone of our local section and we need you desperately. Sure there is a commitment and a little of your time is required but the rewards are worth it. You will meet new and interesting people; you will learn things and perhaps teach a little of what you know to others. Being involved with the AIHA is a satisfying activity. Come join us! I can guarantee you will make some new friends, feel the joy that accomplishment brings and you might even have some fun along the way.

### Meeting Announcement

What do you know about the latest technology advances in environmental monitoring equipment? Our first meeting of the new year will be a full-day seminar that brings the expertise of local firms who are at the forefront of technology in IH and environmental monitoring. A representative from each of the local technology firms will tell us what they know now and where we will be in the coming years. Hear about now and the future of monitoring!!!!  
**Non-members are welcome!**

Date/Time: January 21, 2004 - 8:30 AM to 4:00 PM  
Location: Four Points Sheraton, 1 Industry Dr., Pittsburgh, PA 15275  
(in Moon Twp., by Pittsburgh International Airport)  
Cost: \$100 (Local Section Members), \$125 (Non-Members)  
Reservations: Contact Tom Blank or Harry Trout at 412-262-5400 to register.

### Nominations for Upcoming Elections

The Local Section will hold annual elections in February 2004. Ballots are to be mailed the first week in February. We are still seeking two nominations or volunteers for President-Elect and one for Director. Please refer to our Section Bylaws for a description of position duties. We are also

#### WEBSITE UPDATES

We are in the process of updating our website. The newsletter will be posted each month and we have added a page with links to previous newsletters. Also, check out our listing of upcoming meetings for 2004 and mark your calendars!

looking for new members for the following committees: Corporate Sponsor, Public Affairs, Newsletter, Pennsylvania Industrial Hygiene Council, and Program Committee. If you are interested in nominating someone or running for office, or would like to join a committee, please contact Warren Housemen, Chairperson of our Nominating Committee.

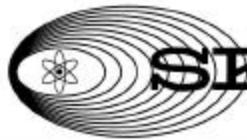
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#### REMINDER

##### 2004 Dues Notice

The 2004 Dues Notices were sent out in December. If you have not already responded, please complete your form and submit with payment to Christy Kirsch, Corresponding Secretary. If you have any questions, please contact Christy at the phone number or email address at the left.



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