Dear Colleagues:

Our local section is in its 5th decade of service to our profession. I am proud to have been given your endorsement to help navigate our local section through this year’s shared experiences. I’m happy to report that our local section officers have met and formed a Nominating Committee for 2016 elections. We have openings for first year Director, Secretary and President Elect. Active members were sent an email for soliciting nominations and/or a self-nomination on January 28, 2016 with a request for your reply during the week of February 15, 2016. You can email your nomination to us at okaiha@aiha.org.

It was my privilege to attend this year’s AIHA Leadership Conference in Washington DC, January 20-31, 2016. The workshop offered training that focused on helping the organization's leaders, local section and student chapter volunteers develop and refine skills for organizational and personal outreach, engagement and collaboration. The training was facilitated by a nationally recognized association management firm, AMR Management Services. Participants included 150 AIHA professional and student members.

One important theme for 2016 is “Engagement.” Each of us should reach out to someone who can benefit from Industrial Hygiene fellowship. An important aspect of engagement is Outreach. I hope to make that my personal goal this year as the Local AIHA Section President. My personal challenge is to speak at four different EH&S Associations that are active in Oklahoma. Also, I plan to personally call as many of you as I can to get your feedback on what OKAIHA can do for you in 2016.

OKAIHA purchased an extensive e-learning package for use in continuing education for 2016. Details are included within this Newsletter. Awareness of changes in Federal and State Laws and Rules impacting EH&S professionals and providing opportunities for learning new skillsets or improving existing talents are examples of what is included with your membership benefits for both National AIHA and OKAIHA Sections. Please encourage student membership, apply to the AIHA Mentor Program and reach out and engage someone who does not know the benefits of what Industrial Hygiene offers.

Opportunities for 2016 include partnering with other EH&S Associations for meetings, vendor events to acquaint members with new technology for sensor and applications for real time measurements, cooperation with the Oklahoma City Area Office to advance and renew our Alliance with OSHA and our the planning for our Fall Conference and Regulatory Update. Please offer your feedback on topics, vendors and speakers for all these events.

An immediately planned event consists of the use of the AIHA Archive of former webinars. On February 25, 2016, I will host the AIHA Ethics Webinar using the archived 2015 Webinar. Anyone needing Certification Maintenance (CM) Points (i.e. attendance at an ABIH approved ethic education event) is required once for each 5-year recertification cycle per ABIH requirements. More details are provided within this Newsletter.

We have a history of supporting education in the IH and related fields. I am presenting the “President’s Scholarship Fund Challenge for 2016.” I will match all scholarship contributions up to $500.00 that are paid to our Local Section by September 1, 2016. Fifty (50%) percent will be divided equally into scholarship funds for undergraduate and graduate students. I am asking the Board of Directors to approve similar matching funds for each scholarship in 2016, bringing the total potential OKAIHA scholarship offering to $2000.00 as of 2016.

OKAIHA is a State-Wide Association. In order to make that a reality I will be calling on Section Members in various parts of the State of Oklahoma for help in arranging meetings and continuing education events, starting with my colleagues in the Tulsa and Durant areas of the State and progressing westward into the fall of this year.

Watch for more details on these and related issues and events as we develop the new Local Section Web Page (www.okaiha@aiha.org) and expand into more social media in 2016 to advance our goal for enhanced professional engagement. See you at our next scheduled meeting.

Respectfully,

Charlie Marshall, Ph.D., CIH, CSP, FAIHA, - 2016 OKAIHA Local Section President
Next Local Section Luncheon: March 02, 2016

Topic: The IH’s role in successful "VPP team approach" implementation.
Presenter: Karol Mitchell, Safety & Occupational Health Manager, TAFB

The next meeting of the Oklahoma Section of the American Industrial Hygiene Association will be a Lunch Time Meeting on Wednesday, March 2nd, 2016. Our speaker will be Karol Mitchell, from TAFB who is a VPP Program Special Government Employee (SGE). She and Fellow Tinker AFB SGE’s will fill us in on the Role of IH in a VPP Program and how their work engages workers to help fulfill the Team’s goal of the successful implementation of the VPP Program efforts at Tinker AFB.

AIHA Local Section Lunch Time Meeting:
Arbuelo’s Mexican Restaurant in Brockton OKC
Location: 17 E. Sheridan Ave.
(nest to Bricktown Brewery)
Oklahoma City, OK  73104
Registration begins at: 11:30 AM on 3-02-16
Lunch: 12:00 PM
Speaker: 12:20 pm
Cost: $15 for members
      $17.50 for non-members
      $5 for students
RSVP by March 01 2016 to Dr. Charles Marshall
Text to (405) 820-1656 or email: cmarshall@se.edu

Map to Arbuelo’s Restaurant in Bricktown OKC

Next Upcoming Lunch Meeting: Mid-April 2016
More information to come
**Student Scholarships**

The Oklahoma Local Section is pleased to announce that we are awarding two college scholarships of $500 each for the 2016/2017 school year. **Double the amount by contributing to the President’s Challenge** (see note to the right of this announcement).

The first scholarship, the James Folsom Memorial Scholarship will be granted to a full-time undergraduate student entering into his/her junior year or higher and have substantial credit hours in courses concerned predominantly with industrial hygiene, occupational health, environmental health or safety.

The second scholarship, the Glen R. Williamson Memorial Scholarship, will be awarded to a graduate student in the field of industrial hygiene or a field closely allied to IH. All applicants must attend a college or university in Oklahoma. Scholarships will be awarded at the OK AIHA Fall 2016 Conference.

Those interested in applying for either of these scholarships should apply for Undergrad and Graduate Student Scholarships by Fall Deadline.

**Upcoming AIHA Webinar:**

**FREE to Local Section Members**

* at Enercon Services in OKC and OneOK in Tulsa

**Exposure Assessment: How Long Do You Go?**

*Wednesday, February 24, 2016*

12:00 PM CT - 2:00 PM CT

Contact Sue Thompson at: sjthompson@enercon.com to attend in OKC

Contact Natalie Goforth at: Natalie.Goforth@oneok.com to attend in Tulsa

**Ethics: AIHA Ethic Webinars**

*(2-Back to Back Recorded Sessions)*

**ARCHIVED WEBINAR SESSION!**

**Date:** February 22, 2016

**Time:** 8:00 AM—12:00 PM CST

**Location:** Rose College, Tom Steed Center **Rm 202** (I-40 at Hudiburg Drive)

**Host:** Dr. Charles Marshall, Southeastern Aviation Dept. **RSVP:** cmarshall@se.edu

*Benefit Members Needing ABIH CM Points and Required Ethics Rubric Continuing Education Credits

For Access to Archived Webinars or the OKAIHA e-Learning Subscription Contact an OKAIHA Officer or Director at OKAIHA@aiha.org or call 405-820-1656
NIOSH/AIHA Safety Matters Center:
(https://www.aiha.org/get-involved/SafetyMattersCenter/Pages/default.aspx)
The National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH) and the American
Industrial Hygiene Association (AIHA) are proud to present Safety Matters, a program to
raise awareness among young people about workplace safety and health and to
provide an understanding of the skills they need to become active participants in
creating safe and healthy work environments. The materials presented in this module
are based on a full curriculum from NIOSH, Talking Safety.

Elections: Local Section Officer/Director Positions:
Email Your Nominations To: OKAIHA@AIHA.ORG
- President Elect
- Treasurer
- First Year Director Deadline: End of Week 2-19-16

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National Members, Access Your AIHA Body of Knowledge
Documents by logging onto your AIHA Membership Center.
GENERAL ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS:

1. Applicants must be a full-time student at the Junior level or above, including graduate and postgraduate school, at an Oklahoma college or university. Applicants must have completed a substantial portion of his/her course work in the disciplines of industrial hygiene, environmental health or safety.

2. Applicants must be currently enrolled in courses leading to a degree, and shall be enrolled at the time that the award is presented.

3. Applicants must have a minimum of a 3.0 overall grade point average (GPA).

4. Applicants must agree to allow the Scholarship Committee to review certain applicable confidential information such as grades. The committee will keep such information confidential.

Name: __________________________

College/University: __________________________

Address: __________________________

City: _________, Oklahoma Zip: _________

Telephone No.: __________________________

Please attach the following:

Statement of Career Goals (200 words or less)

Statement of Financial Need (How will this money be used to further your education)

Transcript or grade report and a letter of recommendation from a faculty member or advisor

Scholarships

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Those interested in applying for either of these scholarships should complete the application requirements above and submit that information to:

Oklahoma Local Section, AIHA
c/o Scholarship Committee
P. O. Box 1073
Oklahoma City, OK 73101

Applications must be postmarked by September 1, 2016

The successful applications will be determined by a Scholarship Committee selected by the Board of Directors of the Oklahoma Local Section, AIHA.
**APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP**
January 01, 2016 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2016

**Name:**

**Affiliation:**

**Street Address:**

**City, State, ZIP Code:**

**Telephone No.:**

**Telefax No.:**

**E-mail address*:**

**Credentials (Ph.D., CIH, CSP, PE, CHMM, etc):**

**Area of Expertise:**

*Required field. Most OK AIHA correspondence will be sent via e-mail.

**Yes** **No** Have you ever been a member of the OK AIHA

________________________ (If yes, please indicate the last fiscal year you were a member (i.e., 7/01/03-6/30/04):

Please check the appropriate box and enclose the appropriate funds.

- [ ] Full Member – (Voting privileges, may hold position on OK AIHA Board if National member) $25
  - Check here if you are a member of National AIHA.

- [ ] Associate Member (No voting privileges, may not hold board position, includes ancillary professionals, full-time students, retirees and others not wishing to vote) $15

- [ ] Corporate Member (No voting privileges for the corporation, however, the corporation may name two individuals as full members and up to ten individuals as associate members. The two full members must meet OK AIHA membership criteria. Once approved by the OK AIHA Board of Directors, the two full members have all rights and privileges of full membership.) $100

Names of the Designated Full Members: __________________________________________________________

Designated ____________________________ ____________________________

Associate ____________________________ ____________________________

Members: ____________________________ ____________________________

If this is a new application, full membership is subject to two-thirds approval of the Executive Committee of the Oklahoma Section.

- [ ] Yes  - [ ] No If elected, would you be willing to serve as an OK AIHA Board Member?

The OK AIHA membership list is published on its website. Please check here if you do not want your information published on this website.  

Please make checks payable to: Oklahoma Section, AIHA

Please remit to: Margaret Phillips
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