Holiday Season Greetings,

2016 Fall Conference:
Early in the fourth quarter we held our annual Fall Conference on October 5th. We had fifty-five attendees who gained information and insight from the seven speakers and six vendor exhibits that comprised this year’s conference. The agenda had a balanced blend of technical presentations in the morning and organizational updates in the afternoon. The full agenda was included in our fall newsletter and we are planning to post several of the presentations on our MIHS website before the end of the year. Please take a moment to look at the speaker appreciation photos from this year’s conference located on Page 2.

New MIHS Website:
Most years there is very little MIHS activity in the fourth quarter following our Fall Conference. However, this year was different, and perhaps you had noticed that our website was down most of the month of November. That’s because the MIHS Executive Committee was involved in a major refresh of our ten year old MIHS Website.

Hopefully, by the time you are reading this message, you already received an email from MIHS encouraging you to visit our new website, update your “member profile” page and establish your new password. Also, if you had not already done so, you can pay your 2017 membership dues using our improved PayPal link and payment process.

As you navigate our new site, you may notice that there are several pages that still need some content uploaded or updated; we will be completing those tasks throughout the month of December. Again, please visit our new website and then provide your feedback to Eric Allen who heads our website operations team.

2017 Election:
The Holiday Season is known as a season of giving and this year I want to encourage you to consider giving some of your time, talents and efforts to benefit your fellow MIHS members. During the month of December we will be putting together our 2017 Ballot for open officer and board member positions.

Every year the "offices" of President-elect, Treasurer and Secretary are open for candidates to pursue. Each officer position is for one year, however, the President-elect continues to serve for two more years as President and then Past President of MIHS. We also have four, two-year, openings for board of director positions on our 2017 ballot.

This coming March, as I transition from the office of President to Past President, I look forward to the opportunity of welcoming you to our leadership team at MIHS. Please let me, Eric Allen or Aaron Jacob know if you are interested in serving or if you have questions regarding any of the positions.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Michigan Industrial Ventilation Conference
East Lansing, Michigan
February 12-17, 2017
Vent Conference

U of M/MIHS Comp Review Course
Ann Arbor, Michigan
March 20-24, 2017
Spring Comp Review Course

MIHS Student Night
Spring 2017 (TBD)
Visit the MIHS Website for details

MIHS Past President’s Breakfast and Annual Business Meeting
Spring 2017 (TBD)
Visit the MIHS Website for details

Michigan Safety Conference
Novi, Michigan
April 11 and 12, 2017
MSC

AIHce
June 4-7, 2017
Seattle, Washington
AIHce
MIHS FALL MINI CONFERENCE A SUCCESS

The 2016 MIHS Fall Mini-Conference was held October 5th at the MSU-Management Education Center in Troy. Speakers included Dr. Rick Neitzel of the University of Michigan; Jim McGlothlin of VEM Systems; Debbie Dietrich of SKC; Jim Cornish of GasMet Technologies, Eric Allen of MIOSHA; Deb Chester of MiFACE; and Cindy Ostrowski, AIHA Vice President. Vendors included MIOSHA, 3M, Bureau Veritas, MSA, Argus-Hazco, and IMS Laboratories.
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MIHS LAUNCHES NEW WEBSITE

We are pleased to announce the arrival of our brand new website. The address is the same (mihsweb.org), but the look and feel of the site are completely updated and we hope you like it. You will need the following to login to the Members Area.

Click on Login in the top menu using the following information:

User Name: (your first name initial and last name in lower case)

Password: miIH#2016 (your onetime password - please login and change ASAP)

Once you are logged in, you will see a Members Area tab in the menu, select that to access members only areas.

Below are the steps to reset your password:

1. Go to "Members Area" and click on "Members Directory"
2. Click on your name
3. Click on the "blue" icon on the right side of the page... looks like a gear.
4. Click on "My Account"
5. Click on the "black" icon on the left side of the page... looks like an asterisk
6. Enter your current password (miIH#2016) and then create and confirm your new password

We hope that you will login, explore the site, and let us know what you think.

Dues Reminder:

If you have not paid your 2017 dues, you may do so online at www.mihsweb.org/mihs-dues

There, you can select your type of membership and pay your dues using our secure PayPal account. Contact us if you have any questions.

Many thanks to Eric Allen, Bill Kilgore, Aaron Jacob, and Mania Interactive for their efforts in making this smooth transition from the old website to the new one.
AliHce 2017 Call for Proposals is Now Open!
It’s because of knowledgeable experts like you, William, that AliHce is known for its educational excellence. 97% of 2016 attendees learned at least one key takeaway they could apply to their work, and 9 out of 10 agreed that AliHce is a "must attend" event for OEHS professionals.
When you present at AliHce, you’ll have the opportunity to introduce new concepts that will benefit your colleagues, the profession and the well-being of workers around the world. But, you’ll gain just as much!
There are several benefits to presenting at AliHce:
• Increase your visibility and build your reputation among fellow professionals
• Gain approval to attend AliHce 2017
• Earn certification maintenance points

Find new opportunities for dialogue and discussion
The submission portal is now open! Contribute to the profession by providing OEHS professionals with the solutions they need to meet their daily workplace challenges.

Dates to Remember

September 14, 2016: PDC proposal deadline
September 26, 2016: Education programming deadline
November 2016: Acceptance notifications sent/registration and hotel information published

Visit: http://www.aihce2017.org/Pages/default.aspx
VISIT OUR WEBSITE

The MIHS website is loaded with information.
- Helpful links
- Calendar of upcoming events
- Board meeting minutes
- MIHS paraphernalia

TELL US A STORY!

We are always on the lookout for content and items of interest to our members. If you have a story to tell that you feel would be of interest to the group and you would like to see it in the MIHS Newsletter, let us know.

- A “Tale from the Front” about something you have done in the field.
- A write-up on a seminar or conference you’ve attended.
- A write-up on a new gadget or “app” you have discovered that might be of interest to others.
Pretty much anything industrial hygiene-related. Send your article to apcrause@aol.com.

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And you thought election season was over! This Winter, as always, MIHS member will be electing four board members, President-Elect, Treasurer, and Secretary. Each Full and Associate member of MIHS has voting rights, AND the right to run for elected office. No proof of citizenship or release of tax returns is required to run for office. Should you decide to run, you will not be grilled on your foreign trade position or party affiliation. All you need to have is a willingness to participate. These are volunteer positions, and all Board Members and Officers must be members of AIHA, and are eligible for ABIH Maintenance Points.

If you’ve ever considered running for one of the MIHS Board or Office positions, but you’re not sure you have the time, You need not worry. The Board meets in person a couple times per year, and meets “virtually” via teleconference a few other times per year. Outside of meetings, the time commitment varies, but is typically a few hours per month.

If you are considering running, but have never held an MIHS office, your best bet would be to run for Board, and see how you like it. The term is 2 years, and you will be asked to attend meetings and chair one of our committees. If you have previously participated on the Board, we would love to hear from you.

In addition to elected positions, there are numerous ways to participate in MIHS including:

- Contribute an article to the Newsletter.
- Volunteer to review articles for our annual Best Paper award which is given to the authors of the best paper from the previous year’s Journal of Occupational and Environmental Health.
- Present a topic at our Fall Mini Conference
- Staff the MIHS booth for an hour at the annual Michigan Safety Conference (which is in Novi this year).
- Spread the word about the benefits of MIHS membership to colleagues.
- Arrange for MIHS members to take a tour of your facility.
- Volunteer to sit in as a proctor during either the Fall or Spring U of M/MIHS Comprehensive Review course in Ann Arbor.
- Offer suggestions to improve MIHS

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