PRESIDENT’S MESSAGE

Autumn is upon us; the summer season will end on September 23, 2019. Nights begin to grow longer than the days and fall brings cool weather and the leaves change color.

The fall season also brings the MIHS Mini Conference; the event will take place on Tuesday, October 8, 2019. Registration and event details can be found on the MIHS website. The event will provide 5.5 contact hours for those members seeking to maintain CIH professional certification.

During the next few months MIHS will also be working on membership renewals. Renewal of a current membership, or registration of new membership, can be renewed online. The benefits of membership can also be found on the MIHS website. We also offer Student and Organizational memberships.

The value of renewed, and increased, membership provides a diversity to the experiences shared within our Board, discussion at our events, further networking, and skilled presenters.

I challenge all current MIHS members to increase MIHS membership by informing a coworker, an intern, your employer, or a student, of the benefits of MIHS membership by discussing events you have attended. Your renewal of a current membership, and this increase in new members, will surely benefit all involved.

Thank you for your continued support.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Comprehensive Industrial Hygiene Review
Ann Arbor, Michigan
September 23 through 27, 2019
U of M MIHS Comp Review

MIHS Fall Mini Conference
October 8, 2019
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56th Warren Cook Discussional
Ann Arbor, Michigan
November 7 and 8, 2019
Warren Cook

69th Michigan Industrial Ventilation Conference
February 9 through 14, 2020
East Lansing, MI
https://www.michiganivc.org/
### 2019 MIHS Fall Mini Conference
October 8, 2019
MSU Management Education Center
811 W Square Lake Rd, Troy, MI 48098

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**Advance Registration** (ends Noon Thursday, October 3, 2019)
- **$75** for MIHS MEMBERS
- **$100** for NON-MEMBERS (includes 2016 MIHS Membership)

**Students - "NO CHARGE" for Conference...**
(Students still have to register and pay $15.00 for lunch)

**Register and pay on line at the MIHS website:**
[Mini Conference Registration](#)

**At the door registration:** Same fee as advance registration, but with no assurance for lunch.

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Dr. Anthony Oliveri Testifies Before Michigan House Education Committee

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I’ve been interested in how industrial hygienists and other occupational health professionals can use their expertise and experiences to make an impact in governmental arenas since I first entered the field (admittedly, only a few years ago). So, when I had the opportunity to volunteer to testify before a Michigan State House committee in support of a bill concerning occupational health and safety training for high schoolers, I jumped at the chance.

The bill in question is Michigan House Bill 4282. This bill would allow high school students to meet a portion of their health and physical education graduation requirements by taking an OSHA 30-hour course. After its introduction, the bill had been referred to the Michigan House Committee on Education for a vote. AIHA had already drafted a letter of support for HB 4282, so I would be going to the committee meeting to explain a bit about myself and my interest in the bill and communicate AIHA’s support in person.

And, aside from my support as a member of AIHA, I did have an independent interest in what this bill was trying to do. When I was in graduate school studying industrial hygiene, I had helped start an initiative within our AIHA student group to get the NIOSH/AIHA Safety Matters program into local high schools. Once I graduated and began my current position, I was part of a team that runs an occupational health surveillance program for the state of Michigan. Our group had just recently published a report on occupational injuries in teenagers aged 14–17 in Michigan (PDF), in which we discuss the 1,501 occupational injuries, including 5 deaths, we were able to identify from 2014 through 2017. I personally understood the need for, and fully supported, this kind of legislation, which would both enable and encourage our working youth to receive the comprehensive safety training that an OSHA 30-hour course can deliver.

So needless to say, I agreed to testify before the House Committee. From there, it was a matter of getting me on the schedule to speak at the committee meeting in the first place. I was told that if I signed up to speak at the meeting, the committee would do its best to fit me in. My plan was to be at the meeting in any event, with the AIHA letter and my amendments in hand, ready to speak if the opportunity arose.

Bright and early the next morning I arrived at the office building and, after asking for directions only one or two times, was able to find the committee meeting room and sign up to testify. Once the meeting began, it was a rapid-fire event, with the committee moving through a number of bills before arriving at HB 4282. They then called me up to give my testimony. Sitting at the table, only a couple of feet away from a dozen or so Representatives, with a microphone in my face, it was hard not to feel like I was being aggressively interviewed or cross-examined. But after diving into my prepared remarks, I could tell the committee members, far from being hostile, were listening closely and were receptive. I fielded a few questions regarding what OSHA 30-hour training entails, as well as our findings on teenage worker injuries, that showed the Representatives were genuinely interested in the potential impact of the bill.

I like to think my support and AIHA’s had the desired effect, because right after my testimony the committee overwhelmingly voted to support the bill and referred it on to the House Committee of Ways and Means for further review. While HB 4282 still has a ways to go before becoming law, it was satisfying to know that I was able to get AIHA’s support on the record, which will follow the bill through any future considerations and votes. And beyond that, I was able to experience firsthand how industrial hygienists can make their voices heard among politicians and work directly toward laws and regulations that make workplaces and workers safer and healthier—an eye-opening and gratifying opportunity that I would encourage my peers to seek out for themselves!

Anthony Oliveri testifies at the May 7, 2019 hearing before the Michigan House Committee on Education
MIHS BEST PAPER AWARD PRESENTED AT AIHCE

This year’s best paper award was presented at the Mark of Excellence breakfast on Wednesday, May 22, 2019, at the AIHce in Minneapolis, Minnesota. The awardees were Margaret E. Davidson, Joshua Schaeffer, Maggie L. Clark, Sheryl Magzamen, Elizabeth J. Brooks, Thomas J. Keefe, Mary Bradford, Noa Roman-Muniz, John Mehaffy, Gregory Dooley, Jill A. Poole, Frank M. Mitloehner, Sue Reed, Marc B. Schenker, and Stephen J. Reynolds for their article “Personal Exposure of Dairy Workers to Dust, Endotoxin, Muramic Acid, Ergosterol, and Ammonia on Large-Scale Dairies in the High Plains Western United States” in the March 2018 issue of the Journal of Occupational and Environmental Hygiene. MIHS was represented at the award ceremony by AIHA President Cynthia Ostrowski and MIHS President Lynn Totsky. Two of the authors of the article, Stephen Reynolds, Ph.D., and Joshua Schaeffer, Ph.D, of Colorado State University, represented the authors of the paper.

The MIHS Best Paper Award was established by MIHS in 1957 as recognition of outstanding publication in the American Industrial Hygiene Association Journal. In 1989, the MIHS Board of Directors voted to also recognize the authors of the best paper in applied industrial hygiene from the Applied Occupational and Environmental Hygiene Journal. Both journals combined in 2004 to form the current Journal of Occupational and Environmental Hygiene. MIHS continues to present a best paper award each year to the authors of the outstanding article selected from this journal.

If you would like to become part of the team that reviews papers and eventually decides on which paper receives the award each year, contact Jim D’Arcy at jimdarcyih@gmail.com.
U OF M STUDENTS RECEIVE AIH FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIPS

During the 2019 AIHce, the American Industrial Hygiene Foundation (AIHF) recognized all 13 of the AIHF scholarship recipients, including two U of M students. Congratulations to Christine Edie and Roxanne Strobel! The complete list of awardees is presented below:

- Yao Addor, University of Cincinnati
- Russell Barr, University of Central Missouri
- Lauren C. Cox, Murray State University
- Alan Da Sileira Fleck, Université de Montréal
- **Christine Edie, University of Michigan**
- Anne Griffis, University of Iowa
- Thomas Hancock, Colorado State University
- Michelle Heins, Montana Tech of the University of Montana
- Derreck Koller, University of Arizona
- Ann Parker, University of Cincinnati
- Allison J. Persing, University of Iowa
- Megan Steele, Air Force Institute of Technology
- **Roxanne Strobel, University of Michigan**
- Carson Whitehead, University of Cincinnati

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.

MIHS WANTS YOU!

MIHS is always looking for new members, no matter the time of year. As late summer turns to fall that also means that election season is right around the corner, and it is time to start thinking about running for MIHS Board!!

Most of our membership and Executive Committee members attend the Fall Mini-Conference, which gives us all a once-a-year opportunity to (1) see each other face-to-face., (2) catch up with old friends, and (3) make new friends. If you have any interest in running for a board position, please feel free to grab any Board member and ask them what they think of being involved. We will be looking to fill the slate of candidates by the end of December. There are four Board positions (two-year terms beginning in March 2020) and the President-elect, which is a 3-year commitment. (President-Elect, then President, then Past President beginning in March 2020). Consider joining the Board.

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