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Message from the President – Mark Ostapczuk

Hopefully with the worst of the winter weather behind us, NJAIHA members can look forward to the coming of springtime with daffodils and green grass, trees etc. One green thing that IH's are not too fond of is mold. Although some of us do need to understand it, all of us should be familiar with issues surrounding it. To that end, I want to bring your attention to an important item that will affect many of us in NJAIHA. Members should have received an email from the NJAIHA recently which discusses the NJ Legislature's recent introduction of a "new" bill concerning regulating mold assessment and remediation in NJ. National AIHA, through the efforts of Aaron Trippler, has drafted a letter response on NJAIHA's behalf commenting on the bill. NJAIHA is inviting interested stakeholders to send their comments to us on that letter or to send their comments directly to the NJ Legislature on the proposed bill. If you did not have a chance to read the email, it is reprinted at the end of this Newsletter (including links to the attachments). NJAIHA is encouraging all stakeholders and other interested parties to become familiar with the issues and provide feedback to NJAIHA and/or the NJ Legislature. Please see the article at the end of this Newsletter beginning on page 14 of this newsletter.

It's that time of year again to start thinking of another important topic which is our annual NJAIHA officer elections. Steve Siegel, current Past President recently sent out an email regarding the 2016 NJAIHA Officer Election ballots for this year. There are openings for 2016 include: President Elect, Treasurer, Membership Committee Chair and Publications Director. Anyone interested in running for office should contact Steve Siegel (**Stephen.Siegel@dupont.com**). Additionally, we are still looking for a volunteer for the NJAIHA Outreach Coordinator. Please see the full description of the Outreach Coordinator activities on page 13. Anyone interested in working to help reach out to our future IH's through visits to careers days and other related community events, should contact **Ronnie Tutty at njaiha@ptd.net**.

Also the Executive Board has asked for volunteers for the 2016 NEIHC Conference Committee. After investigating other venues, the Executive Board again is working with the Westin in Princeton for the NEIHC and the PSEG in Edison for the 2016 PDCs. Please save the date - 12/2/16 for the Conference and 12/1/16 for the PDC's. Please join next years' President, Bernie Fontaine Jr. as he hosts our biggest event of the year. Several of you have already volunteered for that Committee and there is plenty of room to help make this years' event spectacular. Anyone interested should contact Barbara Woodhull (**barb.woodhull@us.bureauveritas.com**) 2016 Treasurer and NEIHC Conference Committee Chair.

Finally, hopefully you can join us for our joint meeting with NJASSE/MABSA on St. Patrick's Day March 17th at Snuffy's. It is the biggest dinner meeting of the year for NJAIHA – don't miss out!

Best Regards,

Mark Ostapczuk
President NJAIHA

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Welcome New NJAIHA Members!

Sophia Sushailo - 3M

Brad Harabedian - Actavis/Allergan

Calendar of Events

Date	Subject	Location
3/17/16	<div>  Joint Meeting with NJAIHA, NJASSE and MABSA  </div> <p>5:30 PM: Networking and Presidents' welcome</p> <p>6-7 PM: Speaker: Ms. Cecile Bacola – Senior Territory Manager/Mine Safety Appliance (MSA)</p> <p>Topic: "Understanding the OSHA 1910.134 Respiratory Protection Standard"</p> <p>8-9 PM: Speaker: Dr. Christopher Aston-Columbia University, EHS Program</p> <p>Topic: "Managing Legionella Risk at a Large Urban Biomedical University"</p> <p>Speaker Diane Miskowski, MPH National Legionella Program Manager EMSL Analytical, Inc.</p> <p>Topic: "Legionella – Updates on NY State and NYC Cooling Tower regulations and Potable Water Sampling Protocols"</p>	Snuffy's Pantagis Scotch Plains, NJ
4/21/16	<p>PAST PRESIDENTS NIGHT</p> <p>Speakers: Mike Corbert from OSHA and Ed Stuber from SGS Galson labs.</p>	Snuffy's Pantagis Scotch Plains, NJ

Online Toxicology Course

The NJAIHA is pleased to partner with ChemWatch to offer our members discounted pricing for ChemWatch "The Beginners Guide to Toxicology" eLearning course.

In this structured course, spanning eighteen distinct modules, you'll be given a solid introduction to Toxicology with specific reference to REACH and other regulatory frameworks. The course is designed to be as engaging as it is informative, utilizing a rich mix of content types and a class-leading eLearning delivery platform. The course represents exceptional value for money, and offers all the convenience of an online course. More information for the course can be found at <https://chemicalwatch.com/elearning>.

NJAIHA members can sign up at a discounted rate of \$480 per registration (nearly a 30% savings!) More importantly, the proceeds will help fund our student scholarships and a 2016 tax deduction.

Fill out the form and complete payment below to take advantage of this special offer. Once payment is received, NJAIHA will forward your info to ChemWatch for registration to the eLearning course. You must be an active NJAIHA member to receive the discounted pricing. Visit <http://www.njaiha.org/membership/> to join today.





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The advertising rates are as follows:

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- 1/2 page ad in newsletter & listing on web site \$200 (annual)
- 1 page ad in newsletter & listing on web site \$400 (annual)

Interested in Being a Meeting Sponsor?

Recognition on meeting announcement, 1 free dinner at meeting, brief presentation and/or table at meeting \$300 (per meeting)

See our website: <http://www.njaiha.org/membership/advertise/> or email Mark Ostapczuk

Job Postings

There are many job postings on our web site. If you are looking or just curious check them out.

<http://www.njaiha.org/resources/job-postings/>

There are several job postings on these other organization web sites as well:

<http://njasse.org/jobs/>

<http://www.philaaaiha.com/Employment.htm>

2016 Industrial Hygiene and Safety Review Course

Are you looking for an inexpensive way to study for the CIH and CSP exams? Do you need certification maintenance points to meet your re-certification requirements? The New Jersey Section of the American Industrial Hygiene Association (NJ-AIHA) is offering a comprehensive Industrial Hygiene Course. The course is designed to provide basic training in some critical areas of industrial hygiene and safety and will likely be beneficial for those entering the field as well as those who are just looking to sharpen their skills in certain technical areas.

In addition, many of the people who have attended the program have found it to be very helpful in preparing for the CIH and CSP examinations. Certified Industrial Hygienists have the opportunity to obtain CM points per lecture (0.167 points per contact hour). Participants are welcome to attend any or all of the lecture sessions, depending on their individual training needs. People who need certification maintenance points must sign an attendance sheet for each session.

Industrial Hygiene & Safety Lecture Topics

History of Industrial Hygiene, OSH Act Review and IH Management, Epidemiology, Fire Protection, Emergency Response, Ergonomics, Risk Management – Record Keeping, Indoor Air Quality, Bio-Safety, Equipment and Facility Safety, Ionizing Radiation, Non-Ionizing Radiation, Math, Statistics & Calculator Review, Air Pollution, Toxicology, Regulatory & Legal Affairs, Physics and Basic Engineering, Air Sampling – IH Chemistry, Direct Reading Instrumentation, Industrial Noise, Mechanical Exhaust Ventilation, Ethics and Professional Conduct, Respiratory Protection and other Personal Protective Equipment (PPE)

The IH classes will be held **Tuesday nights*** (6:00-9:00) beginning June 7,* 2016 at the Rutgers Environmental Health & Safety Dept., 27 Road 1, Livingston Campus, Piscataway, New Jersey 08854. Tel. (732) 445-2550 (See the following link to Google Maps Directions)

***Note: the First IH Class will run from 6:00 PM to 9:30 PM. Please try and arrive promptly at 6:00 PM.** The first half hour will cover registration activities, course orientation information, and other miscellaneous administrative activities. The 2 courses scheduled for the first night will begin at **6:30 PM and run to 9:30 PM.**

<https://www.google.com/maps/place/Rutgers+Environmental+Health+and+Safety/@40.516915,-74.430336,17z/data=!3m1!4b1!4m2!3m1!1s0x89c3c7bf656fffff:0x2b79eadac518c3c8>

Cost: \$150.00 (includes registration, admission to all IH and Safety classes and on-line access to all course materials) **Safety Classes are sponsored by: ASSE**

***The NJ Chapter of the American Society of Safety
Engineers*** 

Safety Topics have been added to our schedule (included in the price). We will have guest speakers on certain safety topics to help prepare people for the CSP exam. **Safety classes will be held on Thursday nights (6:00 PM).** The website will be updated when the specific dates and topics for the Safety classes have been established. Enrollment forms, directions, and schedule are posted on the NJAIHA web page <http://www.njaiha.org/events/njaiha-summer-review-course/>.



March 2016 – DINNER MEETING

Joint Meeting with NJASSE and MABSA

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DATE: Thursday, March 17th, 2016

PLACE: Snuffy's Pantagis Renaissance, 250 Park Avenue, Scotch Plains, NJ - (908) 322-7726

AGENDA:

3:30 p.m. AIHA, NJ Section, Inc. - Executive Committee Meeting

5:00 p.m. Registration/Networking/Appetizers/Cash Bar

5:45 p.m. President's Message

6:00 p.m. Before Dinner Session:

Topic: "Understanding the OSHA 1910.134 Respiratory Protection Standard". The standard protects the health of employees exposed to harmful dusts, fogs, fumes, mists, gases, smokes, sprays, or vapors.

Speaker: Ms. Cecile Bacola – Senior Territory Manager/Mine Safety Appliance (MSA)

7:00 p.m. Dinner – Members \$25 (NJASSE Fee – this meeting only) , Non-members and Guests \$40
Students and unemployed NJAIHA members are free (subsidized 100% for dinner meetings)
Online registration is available at: <http://www.njaiha.org/event/march-2016-dinner-meeting/>

7:30 p.m. After Dinner Session:

Topic: "Managing Legionella Risk at a Large Urban Biomedical University." All owners of cooling towers, general hospitals and residential health care facilities must comply with NYS Emergency Regulations on Legionella and Register Cooling Towers with NYS Department of Health.

Speaker: Dr. Christopher Aston - Columbia University, EHS Program

8:00 p.m. *Topic: "Legionella Updates on NY State and NYC Cooling Tower regulations and Potable Water Sampling Protocols".*
Speaker: Ms. Diane Miskowski, MPH, National Legionella Program Manager, EMSL Analytical, Inc.

Please register by **Tuesday, March 15th**, by calling Ronnie Tutty at **973-300-0144** or you may email your reservation to njaiha@ptd.net or fax your reservation to 973-579-6202, giving the names of those who will attend.

Attendees can also register through the NJASSE website at <http://njasse.org/events/?ee=63>. Walk-ins accepted with cash/check at the door.



COMMON DIRECTIONS TO SNUFFY'S PANTAGIS RESTAURANT:

Pick up Route 22 West to sign reading "Mountain Ave. – Scotch Plains". Take Mountain Ave. thru 2nd traffic light to parking lot entrance on the right (just after intersection).

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Coming from Staten Island - Go over the Goethals Bridge and exit to the NJ Turnpike NORTH. Take the Turnpike to Exit #14 to Route 22 WEST and follow common directions above.

Going NORTH on Garden State Parkway - Exit # 140 to Route 22 EAST. Bear to LEFT to take jug handle to Route 22 WEST and follow common directions above.

Going SOUTH on Garden State Parkway – Exit #140A to Route 22 WEST and follow common directions above.

Coming from New Brunswick and Points South – Pick-up Route 287 NORTH (Exit #10 at Edison from the NJ Turnpike or Exit #127 from the Garden State Pkwy.) Take 287 NORTH to Somerville, Exit to Route 22 EAST to Scotch Plains. Entrance on right, after Blue Star Shopping Center and before Park Ave. overpass.

Coming from PA or Points West – Route 78 EAST to Exit #41. Follow signs to Route 22, Scotch Plains. At 3rd traffic light turn right to go over Overpass to Park Ave. Stay in right lane of overpass and at next light turn right onto Mountain Ave. Make first right turn to enter parking lot.



Recent NJAIHA Activities in Pictures

Tim Rice, NJAIHA Historian



February 2016 NJAIHA Dinner Meeting - 2/18/16 at Snuffy's



We were glad to have Robert Laumbach, MD, MPH, CIH, Associate Professor, Rutgers Robert Wood Johnson Medical School, Piscataway, NJ, back with us as one of our two before-dinner speakers. Dr. Laumbach's is shown during his presentation, "*World Trade Center Medical Monitoring: What Have We Learned?*", where he discussed the nature and extent of WTC-related exposures and the health effects of those exposures.

In his role as NJAIHA's representative on the New Jersey Governor's Clean Air Council, Dr. Laumbach also gave a second presentation, "*NJ Clean Air Council and the USEPA Clean Power Plan*", during which he briefed members on EPA's 2015 Clean Power Plan rule aimed at reducing carbon dioxide emissions from existing power plants.



Our second before-dinner speaker, Chauntel Wright, MPH, CHES, Outreach/Member Services Coordinator, World Trade Center Health Program at Rutgers, EOSHI Clinical Center, Piscataway, NJ, provided an excellent review during her presentation, "*World Trade Center (WTC) Health Program*", of the administration of the WTC Health Program which provides health screening, monitoring, and treatment to the people directly affected during the September 11th terrorist attacks.



A great turn out for the February meeting! Come and join us for the joint meeting in March with the NJ Chapter of ASSE and the Mid-Atlantic Biological Safety Association (MABSA).



After-dinner speaker, Michael Berg, Ph.D., Regional Director, EMLab P&K, Marlton, NJ, receives a token of appreciation from Mark Ostapczuk, NJAIHA President, following Dr. Berg's timely presentation, "*USP <797>: Requirements for Environmental Monitoring and Upcoming Changes*". Dr. Berg updated members and guests on changes to the guidelines for sterile manufacturing proposed by the Compounding Expert Committee of the U.S. Pharmacopeial Convention (USP).



The NJAIHA Executive Board is selling white pique polo shirts with the NJAIHA logo. Point of sale proceeds will serve as a revenue source for our student scholarship program. Pricing is based on size and the applicable cost of shipping and handling if the shirts are not picked up at a dinner meeting or other NJAIHA sponsored event.

If you are interested in purchasing a shirt and to help a deserving student and/or if have any interest in helping provide logistics assistance with the sales, please contact Bernie Fontaine at (732) 221- 5687 or windsgroup@aol.com or visit the NJAIHA web page at:

<http://www.njaiha.org/students/polo-shirt-fundraiser/>

AIHA national is seeking each local section to identify Outreach Coordinators to enhance the brand, image and reputation of industrial hygiene and promote the existence of each local section. The Executive Board is seeking volunteers to represent NJAIHA in this capacity. The Executive Board believes this endeavor will promote the industrial hygiene profession to other organizations, which may have a limited understanding of the business value of the organization and the capability of enhancing and enriching worker lives in all business and industry and matters that affect the public, community, and environment. It will provide opportunity for open dialog and collaboration for government, labor groups, academia, organizations, media, and other stakeholders on protecting the most valued asset of any business – its employees.

NJAIHA has a duty and obligation to promote the profession to all stakeholders that may benefit by engaging in decisions on policies, programs, procedures, and providing the most authoritative training and information to improve worker health. Anyone who wants to volunteer as an NJAIHA Outreach Coordinator should contact any member of the Executive Board by email or in writing and provide a short biography and paragraph on why they would like to volunteer. There is no time frame for this opportunity and volunteers may terminate their involvement as an Outreach Coordinator at any time after giving 30 day notice. The Executive Board would like any volunteers to respond promptly to this initial request. Here are some of the duties/responsibilities as an Outreach Coordinator:

- (1) Assist the NJAIHA Director of Membership create and implement a community and business outreach plan, including supervising the activities and services authorized by the Executive Board
- (2) Organize, attend and present at business, community, and organizational group meetings regarding the NJAIHA mission and value to business and industry, promotion of our dinner meetings and other events, and the impact of the industrial hygiene profession on the economy, society, and policy.
- (3) Develop public education and information materials, presentations and displays – including NJAIHA brochures, membership forms and contributing articles or other information to the monthly newsletters, free media/new media advertising, and website content.
- (4) Oversee school education outreach program to discuss the industrial hygiene profession with middle and high school students. Collaborate with local universities regarding NJAIHA and value of industrial hygiene.
- (5) Oversee and implement public events, meetings, open house sessions, etc. to promote NJAIHA and the profession of industrial hygiene. Organize and participate at community outreach activities to educate the broader community about NJAIHA, monthly dinner meetings, PDCs and the CIH summer review program.

The New Jersey Section AIHA

NJ Assembly Bill A381-Mold Legislation - PLEASE READ

As you may or may not know, a new Bill A381 (item #1 attached) has been introduced in the 2016 session of the NJ Legislature by Assemblyman Dan Benson and Assemblyman Benjie Wimberly which, as similar to 2014 Session legislation, would require the Department of Community Affairs (DCA) to establish procedures for inspection and abatement of mold hazards in residential buildings and school facilities, and certification programs for mold inspectors and mold hazard abatement workers. The previous 2014 Session mold legislation (NJ A1007) was eventually conditionally vetoed by Governor Christie (item #3 attached).

National AIHA (Aaron Trippler, Director of Government Affairs) has prepared draft comments (item #2 attached) on NJ A381 for submission to the NJ Legislature on NJAIHA's behalf. Aaron has asked us to review these draft comments, share any concerns with him, and let him know if there is anything additional we would like him to address or omit from the letter. If you would like to contribute to the review of National AIHA's proposed comments on NJ A381, please send any comments to [NJ A381 comments](#) **no later than April 8, 2016.**

For additional background, please see item #4 attached which is the markup of 2014 Session's NJ A1007 incorporating the Governor's conditional veto comments, and item #5 attached which are National AIHA comments sent to the NJ Legislature in 2011 on NJAIHA's behalf relative to that Session's proposed mold legislation.

Alternately, if you would like to send or submit your own comments on NJ A381 to the NJ Legislature independent of AIHA, please find below a few key contacts we have assembled for you:

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(Note: Assemblyman Green has preference for hard copy mailed or faxed comments)

Attached Documents:

- 1) **2016 Session NJ Assembly Bill A381 (Latest status available – 1/27/2016 Introduced, Referred to Assembly Housing and Community Development Committee)** [NJ A 381 Mold Legislation](#)
- 2) **National AIHA Draft Comments on NJ Assembly Bill A381** [NJA381-Comments-02-22-16](#)
- 3) **Governor's Comments on his conditional Veto of the 2014 Session Mold Legislation (NJ A1007)** [Governors Comments on Conditional Veto of A1007](#)
- 4) **Second Reprint of NJ A1007** – the subsequent marked up version incorporating conditional veto comments of Governor, basically reducing A1007 to just a requirement for NJ DOH to issue “informational guidelines” [Second Reprint of A1007 with Govenors markups](#)
- 5) **AIHA's 2/3/11 comments to NJ Senator Kean and Assemblyman Benson on 2011 NJ Mold Legislation (NJ S 2633 and NJ A 3773)** Note: this earlier legislation called for the establishment of indoor standards for mold exposure limits [NJ-S2633 A3773-Mold Letter-02-03-11](#)