Message from the President – Bernie Fontaine

This is my final newsletter to the membership. Over the past year, it has been a pleasure to serve as your President. Together, we accomplished much from the robust monthly dinner meetings to the overwhelming success of the 2016 Northeast Industrial Hygiene Conference and Exposition (NEIHce). We have provided you with two additional newsletters, improved our following of social media content uploads, increased the strength of our membership, revenues, corporate sponsorships, collaborated with other NJ nonprofits and the NJ State Industrial Safety Committee (NJSISC) on sponsoring area dinner meetings, subscribed to the AIHA eLearning webinars, and raised awareness of industrial hygiene issues with other vested stakeholders. Hence, I am proud to report that NJAIHA is more financially solid with an engaged and sustainable membership. But through it all, it could not have been done without the dedication and support from the Executive Committee (EC) members.

Last month the EC took on a new challenge. We met to discuss the future of NJAIHA by developing a strategic management plan with specific whole goals and objectives as part of our annual action plan. We reviewed our strengths, weakness, opportunities, and threats facing the organization. We looked at the impact of political, economic, social-cultural, and technological concerns. In addition, we considered the power and intensity of combining valued resources, collaboration with other aligned regional associations, expanding human talent and capacity for the next generation, and restructuring our focus for the 21st century. NJAIHA is determined to be your local source for technical information, training, and base of knowledge for our membership. If you have any ideas or suggestions to promote NJAIHA and the profession, please contact Craig Doolittle.

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Thank you to the membership for voting a President-elect, Secretary, and Director of Administration. The candidate ballot results will be forwarded to the membership soon. We are excited to learn more about the platform for these newly elected officials during our August EC meeting.

Don’t forget our summer classes start soon. Although the structure of these classes is designed to help study for the CIH and CSP exams, you can also learn more about a particular topic to improve your understanding of the subject. Attending these summer courses can help those members who seek certification maintenance credits or continuing educational credits toward recertification as a CIH or CSP. For more information, contact Dr. Hank Shotwell.
Facebook and Linkedin posts have attracted a new following of people interested in our profession. Our objective is to connect more with our members and attract new members on topics of interest and begin a deep dive by talking about the issues that affects the workforce, public, or environment. Using social media provides greater connectivity with our membership in a timely fashion rather than emails. We have posted a number of jobs opportunities on Linkedin to complement the learning process. We encourage members to contribute information about the profession, interesting research, upcoming events, videos, and posting job opportunities. If you want to take a more active role in support of our social media content portfolio management, please contact Bernie Fontaine.

NJAIHA continues to seek more vendors to advertise in our monthly newsletter and website, and help sponsor our monthly dinner meetings. As a bonus for advertising, we will promote your business by posting your information on our Facebook webpage. Advertising helps connect business opportunities with our membership. If you would like to advertise, complete an application on the website. Jack Zybura can provide more information about posting any information to the website or social media.

Student scholarship awards will be presented at the upcoming June dinner meeting. This year the Executive Committee raised the maximum total awards aimed to attract more students for careers in industrial hygiene. Three scholarships will be given out – Raymond Manganelli, Brian Sylvester, and the Presidents’ award.

The NJ State Assembly and Senate passed the “Hazardous Drug Safe Handling Act.” The purpose for this legislation is to help protect healthcare personnel who work with or near hazardous drugs in healthcare settings and whom may be exposed to these agents in the air and through contact with work surfaces, clothing, medical equipment, and patients. Over the next 12 months, all stakeholders who have an interest will give their input into the construct of health and safety written requirements to support implementation of this legislation. If you would like to help us provide comment, guidance, and feedback to protect these workers, please contact Craig Doolittle.

NJAIHA continues to work with New Jersey State Industrial Safety Committee (NJSISC) leadership to collaborate on the annual award ceremonies and dinner meetings. It is an opportunity for NJAIHA to receive name recognition for our dedication and work to protect the health of all workers.

Our subcommittee continues to update the current bylaws and operation manual. One area of interest is deeper understanding of conflict of interest and fiduciary responsibilities of the NJAIHA Executive Committee members. If anyone wants to help or provide comment, please contact Dr. Hank Shotwell.

In closing, don’t forget about Safe + Sound Week – June 12-18, 2017. I hope to see you at the Thursday, June 15th dinner meeting at the Imperia located in Somerset, NJ! This is our end-of-year gala. We scheduled Mark Ames (AIHA) and Tom Case (AIHA Regional Local Section Representative) as our guest speakers. Look for details in a future email or a post on Linkedin and Facebook.

Best regards,

Bernard L. Fontaine, Jr., CIH, CSP, FAIHA
President NJAIHA
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Join NJAIHA for the Inaugural Safe + Sound Week!

What Is Safe + Sound Week?
This is a nationwide event to raise awareness and understanding of the value of safety and health programs that include management leadership, worker participation, and a systematic approach to finding and fixing hazards in workplaces.

Why Participate?
Safe workplaces are sound businesses. Successful safety and health programs can proactively identify and manage workplace hazards before they cause injury or illness, improving sustainability and the bottom line. Participating in Safe + Sound Week can help get your program started or energize an existing one.

Who Is Encouraged to Participate?
Organizations of any size or in any industry looking for an opportunity to show their commitment to safety to workers, customers, the public, or supply chain partners should participate. NJAIHA along with other stakeholders NJASSE, Penn-NJ ASSE, Philadelphia and NYC metro AIHA, MABSA, AHMP, and the New Jersey State Industrial Safety Committee are participating in this event.

How to Participate
Participating in Safe + Sound Week is easy. To get started, select the activities you would like to do at your workplace. Some organizations might want to host a public event. Examples of potential activities and tools to help you plan and promote your events are available. After you've completed your events, you can download a certificate and web badge to recognize your organization and your workers.

ADVISORY: AIHA has received reports by people being contacted from third parties to obtain/sell the 2017 AIHce EXP attendee contact list. AIHA has a strict policy and does not sell anyone's contact information. No one but AIHA staff members is permitted to see the member contact information or the conference attendees list. Contact smarchese@aiha.org regarding any unwanted solicitations.
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**Visit NJAIHA On-line**

NJAIHA is continuously posting relevant information on industrial hygiene principles and practice on these webpages. Feel free to find out current events which may affect your business or industry and continue the conversation on a regional, national, and international level.

Facebook: [https://www.facebook.com/njaiha/](https://www.facebook.com/njaiha/).

LinkedIn: [https://www.linkedin.com/groups/3675325](https://www.linkedin.com/groups/3675325)

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NJAIHA participated in a 1-hour webinar on May 23, 2017 for the **upcoming Safe + Sound Week on 12-18 Jun 2017**. The webinar was hosted by OSHA at their offices in Washington, DC along with national AIHA, ASSE, NSC, and NIOSH.

The 10-minute brief focused on the business value of occupational health and safety excellence and business services offered to our membership. NJAIHA also demonstrated how collaboration with our business partners provides opportunity for members. OSHA estimates 375 people attended the webinar.
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June 2017 – National Safety Month

Join the National Safety Council (NSC) in promoting National Safety Month in June. This year's theme is all about Keeping Each Other Safe—wherever we are. NSC is working to end preventable deaths in our lifetime. Preventable deaths are at an all-time high. Join NSC for our "Preventable Death: A Public Health Crisis" webinar on Thursday, June 22 at 12:00PM CT. Register for the event on the NSC website.

Take the @National Safety Council SafeAtWork pledge to do your part to make safety a personal priority while at work, home or play. NJAIHA challenges everyone to take the pledge because it's not possible to imagine life without you! Visit nsc.org/workpledge or #SafeAtWork

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://nj.asse.org/current-openings/

http://www.philaaiha.com/Employment.htm

https://www.aiha.org/get-involved/LocalSections/MetroNewYork/Resources/Pages/Job-Opportunities.aspx
CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR NEWLY ELECTED OFFICERS!!

President Elect: Douglas J. Glorie, PE CIH

Secretary: Dr. Henry (Hank) Shotwell, CIH

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CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR 2017 NJAIHA STUDENT SCHOLARSHIP AWARD WINNERS!!

Ethan Wagner: The Raymond Manganelli Scholarship
Yaline Avalos: The Brian M. Sylvester Memorial Scholarship
Jessica Vallee-Vasquez: The President’s Scholarship

Welcome New Members:
Mr. James Norgalis - Somerset County Department of Health
Mr. Fred Rubel- Environmental Consulting, Inc.
Vince Daliessio – EMSL
Hua Yao – Bristol Meyers Squibb
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


The IH classes will be held Tuesday nights* (6:00-9:00) beginning in June 2017 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: 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.

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 the NJ Chapter of 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

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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/.

The NJAIHA Executive Committee 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.

Please contact Ronnie Tutty at (973) 300-0144. Make a purchase the dinner meeting or visit the NJAIHA web page at: http://www.njaiha.org/students/polo-shirt-fundraiser/

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SAVE THE DATE: The next AIHA eLearning webinar is "Ethics for the EHS Professional", will be featured on July 25, 2017 between 2-4 PM EDT. Participants can earn 2 contact hours by attending the webinar and completing a brief course evaluation online. This webinar also fulfills the ABIH ethics requirement for CIH recertification.
Hopefully, this will be the first of many scheduled presentations on the NJ Youth@Work Talking Safety program. The inaugural presentation was given at the South River, NJ high school. Most of the participants will be graduating this year. Some are going into the military while others are seeking employment in construction. Many participants already have summer jobs.
June 15, 2017 – DINNER MEETING

ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING AND PRESENTATION OF SCHOLARSHIPS

DATE:    Thursday, June 15, 2017

PLACE:   The Imperia, 1714 Easton Avenue, Somerset, New Jersey 08873

AGENDA:

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

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

5:50 p.m. Before Dinner Session:

♦ President’s Message “NJAIHA Year in Review” – Bernie Fontaine, CIH, CSP, FAIHA
♦ Treasurer’s Annual Report – Barbara Woodhull, CIH, CSP
♦ Presentation of 2017 Student Scholarship Awards - Candice Kowalewski, MPH

6:30 p.m. Dinner – Members $30, guests $40.
Students and unemployed NJAIHA members are free (Subsidized 100% for dinner meetings).

7:15 p.m. After Dinner Session: Grassroots Government Relations and You
This presentation will provide an overview of AIHA’s legislative and regulatory affair strategy, key issues and how we as a local section can participate in the process.

Speaker: Mark Ames, Director of Government Affairs, AIHA

Please register by Tuesday, June 13th, by calling Ronnie Tutty at 973-300-0144, email your reservation to njaiha@ptd.net or fax the reservation to 973-579-6202, giving the names of those who will attend. Online registration and payment is now available at: http://www.njaiha.org/event/June-2017-dinner-meeting/

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