

**NEWSLETTER**  
**July 11, 2016**

Dear Member:

**MEMBERSHIP BOOK**

Enclosed with this letter is your 2016-2017 Membership Book.

YPSW members are located throughout the United States, Canada, Mexico and the United Kingdom. Current membership by location is as follows: 35 in California, 18 in Texas, 9 in Michigan, 6 in Colorado, 5 each in Georgia, Ohio and Pennsylvania, 4 in Virginia, 3 each in Delaware, Hawaii, Idaho, Illinois, Maryland and West Virginia, 2 each in Alabama, Arizona, Florida, New Mexico, North Carolina and Tennessee, 1 each in Minnesota, Nevada, New Jersey, South Carolina, Washington, Canada, Mexico and the United Kingdom. Our unique section has 128 members (85 Life, 1 Honorary and 42 Annual).

Please check the 2016-2017 Membership Book carefully for changes in mailing addresses, emails, telephone, cell and fax numbers (**there are numerous changes**). If your personal listing is incorrect (or changes at anytime throughout the year) please notify me by email, telephone, fax or "snail" mail as soon as possible to enable us to have a current roster at all times. **If you did not return an updated membership/dues form, your data from last year was used.**

**JANUARY 2017 ANNUAL MEETING INFORMATION**

The 2017 annual meeting will be held at The Bay Club Hotel and Marina, 2131 Shelter Island Drive, San Diego, CA 92106. A contract was signed, the required deposit of \$1,500,00 made and a block of twenty (20) rooms secured. The meeting will be held **Wednesday, January 18 through Friday, January 20, 2017** (i.e., the week of the Martin Luther King holiday).

Daily room rates negotiated for single or double are:

- \$139.00 plus 12.5% occupancy tax (\$17.38) = \$156.38 per night. The group rate will be honored for three days pre and three days post conference stays.
- Other available rates - \$149.00 triple, \$159.00 quad, \$239.00 suite - plus the 12.5% occupancy tax.
- Complimentary Parking
- Breaks, lunch for Thursday and Friday, and the banquet will be discussed in the next newsletter after the Executive Committee reviews the menus and makes a selection of meals - these costs largely determine the conference registration fee(s) - my current estimate of fees is approximately the same as for the 2016 meeting.
- All rooms offer coffee makers, hair dryers, iron/ironing board, mini safes, etc.
- Complimentary Wi-Fi throughout the hotel

- Access to Pool, Jacuzzi and Fitness Center
- Hospitality suite complimentary three nights, and \$139.00 plus 12.5% occupancy tax for extra night
- Meeting Room complimentary
- Complimentary airport and AMTRAK shuttle service is available from 5:00 AM to 10:00 PM daily by calling the hotel direct at **(619) 224-8888** after your luggage has been claimed.
- USA Today and complimentary coffee served in the lobby.
- Members voted to return to this hotel at the business meeting in 2016. The hotel staff works hard to make our meeting a great success.

**Please make your hotel reservations as soon as possible so, if needed, we can request additional rooms at the group rate.** To make room reservations call The Bay Club Hotel and Marina at **(800) 672-0800 or (619) 224-8888**. Whichever number you use **you must identify yourself as part of the YPSW-AIHA group attending the Jan 18-20, 2017 meeting to receive the special negotiated rate and have the reservation counted in the YPSW-AIHA room block.** Remember, the hotel will also accept pre and post extensions of stay at the group rate in a limited capacity; check on availability when making your hotel reservations. An advance deposit or credit card guarantee for the first night's room and tax is required for our "group negotiated" rates by **December 27, 2016**; after that date rooms will be on a space and rate availability basis. **NOTE:** Check in time is 4:00 PM, if rooms are ready earlier, you will be accommodated. Early check in and late check out are provided on availability and arrangements must be made with the front desk - some charges may apply.

The Executive Committee met via teleconferences – significant items discussed were:

- The 42<sup>nd</sup> annual meeting will be January 18-20, 2017 at The Bay Club Hotel and Marina, San Diego.
- Program Chairman Bob Lieckfield has developed an outstanding program with the theme **“Wisdom Gift to the Industrial Hygiene Profession: Thought Leaders Passing on Sage Advice to Future Industrial Hygienists”**. The program is organized and promises to be very interesting, educational, provocative, and certainly well received by all. *Please see his program comments below.* \*\*
- The Secretary-Treasurer submitted the required annual reports to AIHA and IRS.
- On May 17<sup>th</sup>, YPSW President, Larry Gibbs and President-Elect, Bob Lieckfield attended the online AIHA Regional Section Representative meeting with Steve Hemperly, Pacific Local Section Representative, and Thursa La, AIHA Local Sections staff member, during which It was noted the YPSW was up to date in all required local section reports to AIHA. Steve also highlighted the content and value of the YPSW annual meetings to the IH profession.
- The YPSW Bylaws were revised to be in line with AIHA standards. Ballots were mailed to 115 members, 64 ballots were returned: 63 votes Yes, 1 vote No (55.6% of eligible members voting; 54.8% of membership voting in favor - 98.6% of those voting, voted in the affirmative)...these calculations were made by Larry. Bylaws were signed off by AIHA and subsequently posted to our website by Frank Hearl.
- Three more applicants were approved for full membership: Antony Jones, Nola Kennedy and Michael Rosenow – please see their contact information in the 2016-2017 membership book.
- The Midway Thursday afternoon tour is locked in – more detailed information can be found on the next page.
- Bob sent a special meeting invitation letter to 19 senior YPSW members urging them to attend the meeting and share their wisdom.
- A query was received about the number of ABIH CM points earned by attendance at the meeting. Larry calculated per ABIH requirements that attendance at all sessions of the meeting in 2016 totaled 10.25 contact hours. ABIH allows 0.167 CM pt/contact hour; therefore, full attendance at all sessions would earn 1.7 ABIH CM points. A program was amended to include the actual contact time by speaker with a tally of cumulative time and assignable CM points, as noted above.
- Chris Laszcz Davis has graciously and generously offered once again to continue her custom of buying the wine at the Annual Meeting Banquet. Thank you very much, Chris.

**\*\*”The theme of the YPSW 2017 conference is – *Wisdom Gift to the Industrial Hygiene Profession: Thought Leaders Passing on Sage Advice to Future Industrial Hygienists.* Since its founding in 1975 by the thought leaders of the profession at that time, YPSW membership has included virtually all of the leaders in the IH profession from Corporate and Academia to Government. The YPSW is proud of its unique membership and our stature within the industrial hygiene profession.**

*The objective of our 2017 conference is to leverage the knowledge and leadership of YPSW members and pass on our wisdom to future generations of industrial hygiene professionals. We want to take the opportunity to “create a legacy” through examination of pertinent topics through the lens of history (good and bad) and use that lens to provide counsel on ways to move forward and improve the profession. The intent is not to lay blame or finger point, but rather use a “lessons learned” approach with the goal of helping the next generation avoid repeating our foibles. Or perhaps emphasizing why the current way is a good way – stay the course.*

*We are honored by the participation of a distinguished roster of speakers.*

- *Keynote Speech – The Wisdom Gift (Terry Thedell)*
- *Revisiting Blind Hog’s Acorn (Barbara Dawson)*
- *Educating the Next Generation and Professional Standards of Performance (Del Malzahn/Lynn O’Donnell/ Bob Soule)*
- *Protecting Workers through Government Regulation and Penalties (John Henshaw)*
- *The Future of Occupational Health – NIOSH Perspective (John Howard)*
- *Case study in conflict between policy and science -- Diacetyl (Jen Pierce)*
- *Workplace Health Without Borders; Ways to Spread Our Knowledge (Marianne Levitsky)*
- *The Future of Industrial Hygiene – Messaging GenX, Millennials, and GenZ (Mike Rosenow)*
- *Transformational Leadership (Rick Fulwiler)*

*It is important to note that audience participation is a must; not that we have to encourage YPSW audience participation. It is our intent to publish our deliberations in either serial installments in the Synergist or perhaps a publication with all proceeds donated to the Foundation.*

***This is an opportunity for the YPSW and the meeting participants to leave a legacy for the future of occupational health and safety.***

*We are planning on having a choice of technical events on Thursday afternoon. Both events will focus on industrial hygiene professional development education. At this point, we need to determine the “interest” in your attendance at one or the other. Of course, you will also have the option of not doing either and having an afternoon to yourself.*

### ***USS Midway Tour***

*A three-hour “Docent Tour” of the USS Midway — Experience Life at Sea Without Leaving Port. During the course of our tour, general safety and industrial hygiene concerns will be pointed out and discussed amongst our group. Imagine experiencing life at sea aboard one of America’s longest-serving aircraft carriers. Visitors to the USS Midway Museum enter a floating city at sea and walk in the footsteps of 225,000 Midway sailors who served our country and upheld the American ideals of strength, freedom, and peace. The USS Midway Museum is an unforgettable adventure. There are more than 60 exhibits with a collection of 29 restored aircraft. **The estimated cost, including transportation, will be ~\$45/person.***

## ***The Worst Plant: A Virtual Health & Safety Audit***

*Ramboll Environ will present a three hour collaborative and audience-participation-focused virtual health and safety (H&S) training experience. We will be holding this in conjunction with the San Diego Local Section. This will be a condensed version of their AIHce PDC. The training will guide participants through a virtual tour of “the worst plant in the world,” using digital renderings of real-world H&S regulatory compliance issues. The overall goal of the session is to educate participants about hazard and risk assessment techniques, and various compliance audit and assessment scenarios. This session may be eligible for 0.5 certification points. At this point, we are not certain of the actual venue. If the event is not at the hotel, transportation will be provided as part of the event cost. **The estimated cost, including transportation, will be \$75/person.***

*Because both options require a minimum number of participants, it is critical that we know, in advance, your probable selection. We would appreciate your response to Anna Davis ([sectreasyppsw2@gmail.com](mailto:sectreasyppsw2@gmail.com)) as soon as possible. We need a headcount to ensure that we can secure these events and determine a final cost per participant.*

### *Choices*

1. *USS Midway*
2. *The Worst Plant*
3. *Neither*

*Thank you for your prompt attention to this request.*

The formal session will end with the Clayton Award presentation and installation of new officers. Finally, in the tradition of the YPSW Section, everyone is invited to the hospitality room for a pre-dinner libation and then partake of a sumptuous banquet among friends.

The next newsletter will contain the 2017 meeting registration form and proposed program with expanded information on subjects and speakers. Confirmation letters will be sent to each speaker (including hotel information and registration forms) during this mailing.

## **WEBSITE**

Frank Hearl has our website looking great - he is keeping it current for our enjoyment and information. To view the pictures go to the website, click on “members” on the sidebar navigation menu and then click “Pictures from the meetings (external link)”. Many thanks to Frank for his continuing dedication in maintaining our website. If you haven’t checked it out lately – you really should - [www.ypswaiha.org](http://www.ypswaiha.org).

## **MEMBERSHIP NEWS AND CHANGES**

**Norm Miller** longtime friend and fiancé of Pat Sterner resigned and sent a note “Pat and I loved all the people at AIHA meetings in the past - lovable memories.” Best wishes to Norm in the future.

**Hamid Arabzadeh** shared the following information in an Apr 23 email: “Last week I was invited to the California State Capitol testifying before the California Assembly and Senate Committees on Labor and Employment. The topics I testified on included: 1) LASER procedures in hospitals and healthcare facilities; and 2) Engineering methods to control operating room exposures. I have been asked to go back again as the main expert on some of the bills being considered. I am representing among others, many of the major hospital systems in California.” Thanks for sharing Hamid, wishing you the best in your endeavors in Sacramento.

**Welcome New Members** (see their contact information in the new 2016-2017 Membership Book):

**Donna S. Heidel**

**Mark D. Hoover – LM**

**Antony D.G. Jones**

**Nola J. Kennedy – LM**

**Lauralynn McKernan – LM**

**Michael Rosenow –LM**

### MISCELLANEOUS

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The Hospitality Room will be open Tuesday evening for early arrivals.

YPSW members are the very best and being a close-knit group makes our organization a continuing success. Member input and cooperation keeps YPSW alive and flourishing. Information about your travels, health, interesting tidbits, perhaps a recommendation on a good book you read, or any other subject you wish to write about that would be of interest to our members is welcomed for publication.

I hope each of you will have a happy, safe and very enjoyable summer with family and friends. Don't miss the opportunity to visit family and friends whenever possible.

Stay safe and always be aware of your surroundings when you are out and about.

I look forward to seeing you all in January in beautiful San Diego.

Very truly yours,

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Anna V. Davis  
Secretary-Treasurer

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