AIHA Update for Yuma Pacific-Southwest Section

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AIHA Members – Fields of Employment

~10,000 AIHA members
(vs. 36,000 ASSE members)
Members by Age and Generation

Members by Age Group

- Boomers
- Gen X
- Millennials
Local Sections

• Help protect the health and safety of workers and their communities
• Increase knowledge of industrial hygiene and occupational health and safety in a specific region
• Promote the profession and cooperate with government, industrial, educational, and other professional bodies
• Share a concern about the health of workers worldwide as well as the special concerns of their regional areas
What AIHA Can Offer to Its Sections

- Host section’s website
- Link local section website to AIHA’s for greater exposure
- Officer Operations manual
- List of AIHA members for recruitment
- Public relations materials
- Inclusion in AIHA’s group tax exemption
- Directors and Officers Insurance
- General liability insurance
- LS dues collection on AIHA renewal form

- Online meeting center/collaborative workspaces/communities
- Governmental Affairs updates (California Industrial Hygiene Council collaborates with National AIHA)
- Subject matter expert speakers – Distinguished Lecturers program (Fellows SIG project)
- Annual Leadership Workshop for Local Section/Student Local Section & other volunteer group leaders
Pacific Region Section – 9 Sections
(month new officer terms begin)

- Arizona (August)
- Hawaii (January)
- Northern California (July)
- Orange County (January)
- Rio Grande (January)
- Sacramento Valley (January)
- San Diego (January)
- Southern California (March)
- Yuma Pacific – Southwest (January)
Pacific Region Student Local Sections (23 total)

- UCLA Industrial Hygiene Student Association
  President-Elect is Canbopha “Amy” Sen*; includes
  Student Local Sections Council Chair – Teniope A. Adewumi*
    - Orange County Section
    - Southern California Section

- University of Arizona
  President: Gilbert L. Rivera*
    - Arizona Section

*Attending 2016 Leadership Workshop with 7 other SLS leaders
Protecting Worker Health

Pacific Region Section Activities

**Arizona Section** – Michael Ochs, CIH (Pres.), Heidi Partlowe, CIH (P-E becomes Pres. – Aug 2016)

- Holiday Social at a Top Golf in Scottsdale – Dec. 2015
- Arizona Local Section LinkedIn group
- Scholarships for up to 4 students pursuing IH studies
Pacific Region Section Activities

**Hawaii Section** – Joey Garza, CSP (Pres.), Kukui Awani (P-E becomes Pres. - Jan 2017)

- Joint Technical Meeting (1/2 day) with ASSE: CIH Exam Tips, AIHA Ethics – July 2015
- Cement Factory Tour – September 2015
- Collaboration with University of California – San Diego Extension & OSHA Institute’s Pacific Education Center to publicize IH-related educational opportunities provided locally by OSHA Training Center
Pacific Region Section Activities

Northern California – Jyoti Kumar, CIH (Pres.), Steve Derman, FAIHA™ (P-E becomes Pres. - Jul 2016)

• Technical Symposium (Nanomaterials in the Workplace) – April 2015
• Occupational Contribution to the Burden of Obstructive Airway Disease: Asthma & COPD – Dinner meeting – September 2015
• IH Forums in Collaboration with Center for Occupational and Environmental Health (COEH): Managing Mold (September), Ergonomics for an Aging Workforce (October), Management PCBs in the Built Environment: New Information, New Regulations (December 17, 2015)
• California Industrial Hygiene Council (CIHC) Conference in San Francisco (Dec 7-9, 2015)
• Einert, Tebbens, Legge, and (Charles H.) Powell awards in recognition of service to the IH profession or academic excellence (the latter two awarded to students)
Pacific Region Section Activities

**Orange County** – Thomas Jordan (Pres.), Lisa Hong CIH (P-E becomes Pres. - Jan 2017)

- Joint breakfast meeting with ASSE chapter – Nonionizing Radiation – Feb. 2015
- Joint Technical Symposium with AIHA Southern California Section and 3 ASSE chapters – 12 speakers on various topics (3 attendance tracks – IH, Safety, General) – October 2015
- May join Southern California Local Section to form single section
Pacific Region Section Activities

Rio Grande – Diane Morrell, CIH (Pres.) as of Jan 2016; Tracy Altrock, CIH, CHMM (Secretary) to represent section at 2016 AIHA Leadership Workshop

• All-day annual Fall Technical Conference – October 2015: Sponsored by the American Society of Safety Engineers, New Mexico Chapter & the Rio Grande American Industrial Hygiene Association
Pacific Region Section Activities

Sacramento Valley – Roxanne Fynboh, CIH (Pres.), David Payette, CIH (P-E >> Pres. - Jan 2017)

- Field trip to Siemens Rolling Stock (high speed rail cars) in Elk Grove – July 2015
- Health & Safety Summit with ASSE Sacramento Chapter – multiple tracks of concurrent sessions covering IH and safety topics – October 2015 (2016 summit scheduled)
- Annual Luncheon - How Interdisciplinary View of Health and Wellbeing is Greater than the Sum of the Parts – December 2015
Pacific Region Section Activities


• San Diego Festival of Science and Engineering Expo Day (IH Profession Exhibitor) - March 2015
• Solar Turbines Tour – April 2015
• Lego Land field trip – June 2015
• IH Mysteries lunch meeting – August 2015
Pacific Region Section Activities

Southern California – Michelle Rosales, MPH, CIH (Pres.); Robin Fomalont, MS, CEAS II (P-E becomes Pres. - Mar 2016)

• Dinner Meeting – Containment, Infection Control and High Level Decontamination – May 2015
• Dinner Meeting - Chemical Exposure Evaluation – Resources & Case Studies – Sept. 2015
• Dinner meeting - The Future of Industrial Hygiene – Nov. 2015
• Full-Day Annual Environmental Occupational Health (EOH) Technical Symposium on Drinking Water Policy in California: Environmental & Occupational Health Aspects (Collaboration with California State University-Northridge)
• Joint Technical Symposium with AIHA Orange County Section and 3 ASSE chapters
• Gives awards (Lawrence R. Birkner Leadership Award and Ruth McIntyre-Birkner Technical Achievement Award)
• Supports scholarships for IH students
• Has LinkedIn Group
Pacific Region Section Activities

Yuma Pacific – Southwest (YPSW) – Bill Krebs, CIH (P); Larry Gibbs, CIH (P-E)

• Annual Meeting Program (2+ days) “Healthy Work Environments Through Engineering” -- January 2014 (three former OSHA Assistant Secretaries attended this meeting)
• Annual Meeting Program (2+ days) “Tools, Technology and Big Data” – January 21-23, 2015
• Clayton Award given annually to an individual over 60 years of age who has been exceptionally effective in promoting the field of industrial hygiene.
Regional Representative Role

- Sixth anniversary of inception – March 2016
- Facilitate more communication amongst local sections within an AIHA-defined regional area
- Provide coaching to local section officers on effective leadership
- Gather & track metrics of each local section with respect to size, number of meetings, officers, etc.
Regional Representative Goals

• Visit each section in his / her region during three-year term (May 2013 - May 2016)

• Arrange conference calls (quarterly) within region to exchange information about:
  – Planned section activities / events
  – Best practices for conducting section business
  – How to address “hot topics” & other challenges

• Participate in Leadership Workshop (January 29-31, 2016)

• Attend meeting of Local Sections Council at 2016 AIHce
2015 Regional Representative Section Visits

• January report to Yuma Pacific-Southwest Section’s annual meeting
• February talk on nonionizing radiation to joint breakfast meeting of Orange County Local Section and ASSE chapter
• July presentation on ethics to Hawaii Local Section-ASSE chapter CIH Exam Preparation/Ethics for IHs and Safety Professionals seminar
• Facilitated August “IH Mysteries” discussion with San Diego LS
• September talk on chemical exposure evaluation and brief report to Southern California/Orange County LSs dinner mtg.
• November talk on nonionizing radiation to joint dinner meeting of Northern California Local Section and Health Physics Society
Summary

- Pacific Region section activities continue to help sustain the IH profession by:
  - Contributing to an accessible stream of educational (cost effective local events) and other resources in support of members’ current roles and future goals
  - Providing opportunities for volunteers engaged by:
    • Who they will meet (e.g., formal / informal mentors)
    • What they will learn
    • How they can help
  - Supporting students thru: AIHF & other scholarships, monetary awards, student LS sponsorship, reduced dues, other forms of outreach (e.g., Expanding Your Horizons)
  - Supporting AIHA organizational priorities through collaboration with national AIHA & other organizations (ASHRAE, ASSE, HPS, etc.)
Thank you for listening!
Questions?