

**NEWSLETTER**  
**February 20, 2016**

Dear Member:

The Section's 41<sup>st</sup> annual meeting was held January 20-22, 2016 at the Bay Club Hotel and Marina, 2131 Shelter Island Drive, San Diego, CA. Attendance was great and to make room for more tables and chairs I asked the hotel staff to move the break refreshments to the room across the hall, with a water station in the back corner of the meeting room. Everyone present stated the meeting was a resounding success.

President **Bill Krebs** conducted the business meeting Wednesday afternoon January 20, 2016 in the Commodore Room – the minutes are attached for your perusal.

President Krebs opened the technical meeting Thursday morning January 21, 2016, welcoming attendees and speakers, and then introduced the Program Chairman **Larry Gibbs**, CIH, FAIHA. Larry gave a brief overview of this year's conference theme "**Emerging Trends in Occupational Health and Safety**" he had developed, then presided over the first segment of the Thursday morning program featuring a dynamic keynote speaker, **John Volckens**, PhD, Associate Professor and Director, Department of Environmental and Radiological Health Sciences, Colorado State University. Larry had engaged many speakers so we were fortunate to have two full days of excellent presentations. Larry provided the attached in-depth summary of the presentations which can also be found on the YPSW website. The meeting concluded with a wonderful banquet for 52 attendees. The food was excellent, the wine outstanding and the camaraderie perfect - the only way to conclude another memorable annual meeting. Our meetings get better (and bigger) each year!

A gentle reminder, you are responsible for calculating your own CM point values and list them on your worksheets, as ABIH discontinued review of CM requests for Category 4 Education Events effective 2011. Additional information can be found at <http://www.abih.org/documents/TerminationofCMPointsReviews.pdf>.

**CHANGE OF YPSW OFFICERS**

**Presenting your 2016 Executive Committee – elected January 20:**

President:	Larry Gibbs	<u>Directors</u>
President-Elect	Bob Lieckfield	Marc Kolanz
Past-President	Bill Krebs	Frank Renshaw
Secretary-Treasurer	Anna Davis	Tom Slavin

Sincere thanks to Del Malzahn, who served one year as President-Elect, another as President and a year as Past-President. A Certificate of Appreciation was signed and presented to Del by President Krebs.

## CLAYTON AWARD

The recipient of the 2016 YPSW George and Florence Clayton Award, **Bob Glenn**, was very appreciative of the Section's acknowledgement of his many years of notable achievements in the field of industrial hygiene and dedicated service to YPSW. Bob could not attend the meeting due to a family illness. President Krebs made the presentation via telephone connection. Bob's very gracious acceptance speech in that signature gentlemanly southern drawl was greeted with a round of applause. When received, photos taken of the award will be posted on our website along with a short bio on Bob. I will mail the award to him.

## WEBSITE

**Frank Hearl**, our "web master" maintains our website [www.ypswaiha.org](http://www.ypswaiha.org). Frank brings the site up to date by posting data as it is supplied to him – check out the 2016 meeting data Larry provided him for posting and I will send him this letter when it is printed and ready for mailing to the membership. When we receive the pictures members took, they will be sent to Frank to post. The site is specifically for our YPSW members. Thanks, Frank for keeping the website up to date and providing this valuable service to the YPSW membership.

## 2016 DUES PAYMENT

Please pay your 2016 dues promptly. Your cooperation will enable me to prepare the 2016-2017 membership book for mailing in late May/early June along with information pertinent to the 2017 meeting. Please check your current listing in the 2015-2016 membership book (and updates in subsequent newsletters) and **make necessary changes on the dues form**. If you are a **lifetime member and/or paid your dues in advance** I still need your completed form for file and verification of membership book information – **if you are in either of these categories**, you can send this information via email, fax or snail mail. Several members' email addresses are not current – **please print all your information legibly** – sometimes it is impossible to decipher some handwriting. Also, please complete additional info requested on the dues form – your credentials, CIH, CSP, PE, PhD, etc., and indicate on the form if you are an AIHA member/AIHA Fellow. If you are not a Fellow and feel you are qualified, download the forms from the AIHA website and send the completed forms to Past President Bill Krebs for review by the YPSW Executive Committee and submission to AIHA.

## MEMBERSHIP CHANGES

### Welcome New Members:

**Eric J. Esswein**, MSPH, CIH, CIAQP, NIOSH Western States Division, Denver Federal Center, P.O. Box 25226, Denver, CO 80225; Phone: (303) 236-5946; Cell: (303) 638-2300; Email: [eye1@cdc.gov](mailto:eye1@cdc.gov)

**Michael A. Richards**, Cal/OSHA; 11519 Amboy Ave, San Fernando, CA 91340; Phone: (818) 898-0928; Cell: (714) 349-8638; Fax: (818) 898-0928; Email: [mikecih@yahoo.com](mailto:mikecih@yahoo.com); Assoc Member; **LM**

### Membership Book Changes:

**Martin D. Barrie**: 601 Snowhill Way, Maryville, TN 37803

**Eula Bingham**: Email: [eula.bingham@uc.edu](mailto:eula.bingham@uc.edu)

**Eric J. Esswein**: (add - see info above)

**Robert Glenn**: 2784 Little Creek Rd

**Tom Hethmon**: Head, HSE, KGHM International, Ltd., Suite 500 - 200 Burrard Street, Vancouver, BC V6C 3L6 Canada

**Kirk E. Martin**: Kirk Martin Law Firm, PC, 3835 Calder, Ste 300, Beaumont, TX 77706; Email: [Kirk@KirkMartinLaw.com](mailto:Kirk@KirkMartinLaw.com)

**Michael A. Richards**: (add – see info above)

**Tom Zdeb**: Delete PE, AIHA – Enter PG

## NEWS YOU CAN USE

- AIHF has established **The Stephen C. Davis Future Leadership Institute Memorial Grant**. This information was emailed to you earlier. I am attaching the necessary form and cover letter if you have not yet made a donation and wish to do so. Matching deadline was extended to February 23, 2016 – A contribution of \$1,000.00 on behalf of the YPSW Section was discussed by the YPSW Executive Committee; a vote was taken to approve the donation with unanimous approval. A check for the \$1,000.00 donation was sent to AIHF on February 17, 2016. A one-page profile on Stephen provided by Chris Laszcz-Davis is attached for your perusal. As members know, Steve's life was cut short after a short illness and he is greatly missed by his colleagues, coworkers, associates, friends and family alike.
- In an email, **Eric Esswein** wrote: "In a competition for a CDC Innovation Fund Award, **Eric Esswein** and his co-researcher **Arthur Miller** won a 100K grant from the CDC to do a long-term field evaluation of an engineering control they invented to control silica dust emissions". Congratulations - Eric was a speaker on Friday during our January meeting - please see Larry's summary of his presentation.
- An individual on the Board of Directors of the Chicago Local Section of AIHA contacted me for information on instituting a local award, similar to our annual Clayton Award. I sent the request to the Executive Committee for their review and approval – consensus was “it is always an honor to be emulated”. I sent the criteria and received the following reply “This is great – thanks for sharing! Please extend my appreciation to your Executive Committee as well”.
- Our sincere condolences to **Stephen Hemperly** following the death of his mother at age 92 in Texas. He made it to the funeral and was back in CA in time for our January meeting. Steve sent me the following email to share: *“Anna, I wanted to thank you and the other members of the YPSW Section for your thoughtfulness in expressing your condolences for my mother's passing by sending not only a card but also a lovely fruit basket to my home earlier this week. Thank you for your kindness and graciousness. As I may have indicated to you in previous communication, I was glad that was able to visit my mother and dad last year while they were still in their home - this was around the time of the industrial hygiene conference in San Antonio. Subsequently because of a fall or two that my dad experienced, they decided to sell their home and move into an assisted living facility. I was glad that I got the opportunity to visit them there for a few days which included her last birthday this past September. I did get to speak with her by phone on a reasonably frequent basis after I returned from Texas. She passed away peacefully in her new home with my dad by her side. With warmest regards, Stephen”*

## MISCELANEOUS

- Sincere thanks to **Chris Laszcz-Davis**, The Environmental Quality Organization, LLC for buying the excellent banquet wine in honor of Bob Glenn, longstanding dear friend to both Stephen and Chris.
- Messages from members who could not attend the 2016 meeting are included as an attachment.
- Cards for YPSW members who could not attend for various reasons were circulated at the meeting with members writing notes in each one. These cards were mailed to members after the meeting.
- Following the meeting thank you letters were sent to each speaker; the required Roster of new Section Officers was submitted to AIHA; and the required report sent to the IRS.
- **Frank Renshaw and Larry Gibbs** have completed an in-depth review and rework of our bylaws to bring them in line with Local Section criteria. The bylaws will be reviewed by AIHA and when approved we will send them to you for voting.
- We had our first Executive Committee teleconference on Feb 16 – so we are off to a great start for our 2017 meeting – **President-Elect Bob Lieckfield** has some very interesting and provocative themes he is pursuing. Bob will provide us with information on the 2017 program as he develops the program theme and recruits speakers.
- The following Memberships were also approved by the Executive Committee:  
**Donna Heidel, Mark Hoover and Loralynn Taylor McKernan**. When their dues are received I will distribute their contact information.

- Anna.....I could just see you putting out the card and making sure everyone signed it....I so appreciate receiving good wishes from all my friends at Yuma Pacific....I missed you all and I hope I can make it next year....I am doing therapy to walk without falling and I think I am progressing.....Love to all of you.....Florence Kusnetz.
- My deep appreciation to attendees for their acknowledgement and thanks in my handling of the logistics and administrative details of the meeting...and having the hospitality suite well stocked.

If you took pictures at the meeting and wish to share them with the membership, please send them to me for our albums and to Frank Hearl to post on the website.

Thanks to all YPSW members for keeping the faith and making YPSW a continuing success. Member input and cooperation keeps YPSW alive and flourishing. Information about your travels, accolades, health or any other subject you think would be of interest to fellow members is always welcomed for publication. Since we only meet once a year, it is nice to receive information periodically that I can disseminate to members in the newsletters published throughout the year.

I have been looking through a lot of duplicate pictures from several past meetings – so if you get a packet of pictures just enjoy and reminisce about when they were snapped at the various meetings.

Have a wonderful, enjoyable and safe Spring and Summer. I look forward to seeing you at the Bay Club Hotel and Marina in San Diego for our 2017 meeting, so please mark your calendars – **remember our meeting is ALWAYS the week of the MLK holiday.**

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Anna V. Davis  
Secretary-Treasurer

Enclosures:

2016 Technical Meeting Summary  
2016 Business Meeting Minutes  
Annual Financial Statement  
Stephen C Davis Future Leadership Institute  
Memorial Grant Cover Letter and Donation Form  
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