Dear Member:

The Section’s 44th annual meeting was held January 23-25, 2019 at the Bay Club Hotel and Marina, 2131 Shelter Island Drive, San Diego, CA. Attendance was great - the hotel staff again “flipped” the room to accommodate more seating. Also deflectors installed on the heat/air conditioning units resulted in increased air flow in the room. Everyone present stated the meeting was a resounding success.

President Frank Renshaw conducted the business meeting Wednesday afternoon January 23, 2019 in the Commodore Room – the minutes are attached for your perusal.

President Renshaw opened the technical meeting Thursday morning January 24, 2019, welcoming attendees and speakers, then introduced the Program Chair Barbara Dawson, CIH, CSP, FAIHA. Barbara gave a brief overview of the conference program she developed, themed “Total Worker Exposure”. Barbara presided over the entire program, keeping speakers on schedule. Barbara engaged many excellent speakers and that meant we were fortunate to have a day and a half of excellent presentations. No need for me to write about the presenters because Barbara provided the attached in-depth summary of the presentations which can also be found on the YPSW website. The meeting concluded with a sumptuous banquet. The food was outstanding as usual, the excellent wine poured freely, the camaraderie ideal – just perfect for our “Pie and Cake Auction” and Dan Napier’s “midget impingers” auction - an astounding $7,460.00 was raised – the proceeds allocated as follows-$3,250.00 donated to the Steve Davis Leadership Fund at AIHA and $2,450.00 to the Memorial Fund for Doug Davis at the University of Wyoming (if additional money is received from pledges at the auction, Bob will direct the money to Doug’s fund); Dan Napier’s impingers auction resulted in 44 members present donating $20.00 each - Dan matched the proceeds and sent a check to AIHF for $1,760.00 and he donated the impingers to the AIHA industrial hygiene display of historical equipment. The total of $7,460.00 raised is very impressive for our Section with very BIG hearts, and as Frank Renshaw said this is a record for YPSW if not all local sections. What a perfect way to conclude another memorable annual meeting. Many thanks to Chris Laszcz-Davis for generously paying for the banquet wine again this year. Our meetings get better 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 2019 Executive Committee – installed January 25:

President: Barbara Dawson  Directors: 
President-Elect Tom Slavin  Fred Boelte
Past-President Frank Renshaw  Denise Daggett
Secretary-Treasurer Anna Davis  Frank Hearl
Sincere thanks to Bob Lieckfield, who served a three-year term as President-Elect, President and Past-President. An engraved crystal memento was presented to Bob. Bob, we will still be calling you for advice/consultation. Our “Retired Presidents” are a wonderful resource providing guidance to the current Executive Committee.

CLAYTON AWARD

The recipient of the 2019 YPSW George and Florence Clayton Award, Frank Parker III, 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. President Renshaw listed Frank’s numerous notable achievements, including more than 50 years practicing his well honed craft – Frank requested the money usually spent on the engraved award be donated instead of receiving the physical award – we added the $150.00 to the auction funds. Frank’s very gracious and heartfelt acceptance speech was greeted with rounds of applause. Photos will be posted on our website along with a short bio on Frank. On Wednesday evening the Executive Committee treated Frank and his lovely wife Marcy to dinner at the Bali Hi on Shelter Island. For the record, YPSW paid for the guests’ dinner and Executive Committee members paid for their individual meals.

WEBSITE

Frank Hearl, our “web master” maintains our website www.ypswaiha.org. Frank brings the site up to date by posting data as it is supplied to him – check out the 2019 meeting data Barbara provided him for posting and this letter will be sent to him when it is printed and ready for mailing to the membership. Frank Renshaw assumed the unofficial duties of our “resident photographer” taking multiple photos throughout the meeting – wearing the Photographer and YPSW President “Hats” simultaneously. He will provide them to Frank Hearl for posting. The site is specifically for our YPSW members. Thanks to Frank Hearl for keeping the website up to date and providing this valuable service to the YPSW membership and also to Frank Renshaw who assumed photographer duty with the passing of Bill Krebs our previous “resident photographer” for many years.

2019 DUES PAYMENT

Please pay your 2019 dues promptly. Your cooperation will enable me to prepare the 2019-2020 membership book for mailing in late May/early June along with information pertinent to the 2020 meeting. Please check your current listing in the 2018-2019 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 the information via email or snail mail. (If you do provide current information, I must use data in the last membership book.) Please print all your information legibly – sometimes it becomes impossible to decipher your cursive 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 Frank Renshaw for review by the YPSW Executive Committee and submission to AIHA.

MEMBERSHIP CHANGES SINCE OCT 2018 NEWSLETTER

Welcome to new member Laura R. Parker, Maxxam-Bureau Veritas; 22345 Roethel Dr, Novi, MI 48375; Email: lparker@maxxamlabs.com; Phone: (248) 344-2649; Cell: (248) 939-1043

Membership Book Changes:
Kyle Dotson – 225 Crossroads Blvd, Box 408, Carmel, CA 93923 (all other info remains the same)
Mark D. Hoover – Delete CDC-NIOSH (he retired); Email: markdhoover@comcast.net; Phone (304) 685-2991; Delete Fax number (all other info remains the same)
NEWS YOU CAN USE

- Congratulations to Mark Hoover on retirement from NIOSH and best wishes for his future endeavors.
- The White Labs Thursday afternoon technical tour was well attended – please see Barbara’s excellent write-up in her Meeting Summary.
- If you picked up a “Trip Advisor” card at the hotel I hope you completed the information and emailed it to Trip Advisor. “Our” hotel ranking is judged in part by the number of comment cards submitted on their behalf – so help them get higher in the hotel grouping by sending in your comments.
- Did you know that as a repeat guest you may sign up for the Commodore Club at our hotel and receive additional benefits? Check this out now or when you register for the meeting next year.
- Please see the attached news release provided by Dr. Roger L. Brauer regarding the Safety and Health Historical Society (SHHS). SHHS is a new (only a few months old), non-profit, educational and charitable organization intended to compile information and educate those who work in many aspects of safety and health about past history. SHHS seeks to celebrate lessons learned from the past. SHHS identifies events, individuals, organizations and innovations important in safety and health history that helped advance practice to what it is today. SHHS is open to all individuals and organizations interested in the history of safety and health. As a new organization, SHHS greatly appreciates your assistance in building awareness among safety and health practitioners. Should you have any questions or comments, please feel free to contact me. Sincerely, Roger L. Brauer, Ph.D., PE, Founder and President, Safety and Health Historical Society, PO Box 1001, Tolono, IL 61880, Phone: 217-485-3600, Web: www.safetyandhealthhistory.org, Email: info@safetyandhealthhistory.org

MISCELANEOUS

- Messages from members who could not attend the 2019 meeting are included as an attachment.
- Many cards for YPSW members who could not attend for various reasons were circulated at the meeting with members writing notes to the recipients - I hope these messages from attendees bring a smile to faces of the recipients. I mailed the cards to each a few days after the meeting. I hope everyone is doing very well at this time, especially considering the weather we have been experiencing.
- A very nice note from Rich Hirsh: “Thank-you all for the Get Well card and wishes. Very sorry I was not able to join you all for the YPSW 44th meeting in San Diego. I’m happy to report however that I’m ready to return to work tomorrow after a very reasonable 3 week healing process following the hip replacement. For those of you ever contemplating this surgery (we’re not getting younger! ☺), I highly recommend the anterior approach (as opposed to the posterior approach) having undergone both procedures. I hope to hit the ground running, well walking at first, but plan to be back shooting hoops on the basketball court by April. Wishing you all an enjoyable and healthy year ahead. Best wishes, Regards, Rich”
- A very nice note from Bob Wheeler: “Dear Yuma Pacific SW Section, Thank you for the sympathy card signed by the attendees at the San Diego Conference. I am sorry I was unable to join you this year, but I do plan on making the 2020 meeting. The best to all the section’s members for a healthy and prosperous year. Best, Bob”
- Deep appreciation to Kathy Phalen for transporting the hospitality suite and yours truly to the meeting – very generous of her to make this round trip again.
• Sincere thanks to Chris Laszcz-Davis, The Environmental Quality Organization, LLC for her generosity in buying the banquet wine.
• Following the meeting thank you letters were sent to each speaker; the required Roster of new Section Officers and the Local Section Annual Group Exemption Report were submitted to AIHA; the required report was sent to the IRS.

If you took pictures at the meeting and/or the tour, please share them with the membership, by sending them to Frank Hearl at fheart@me.com to post on the website.

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. My personal thanks to all of you who volunteered and manned the hospitality suite while I was still in the meeting room finishing up my duties there…and especially for disassembling the suite Friday night after I departed.

Our bank account was moved from Bank of America to Chase Bank. Bob Lieckfield was designated as the secondary signer on our bank account……AND……he has graciously agreed to assist me in the growing day to day administrative duties required of the secretary-treasurer position. For example, when Doug and I took over this job 20+ years ago we had 50 members, now we are fast approaching membership of 150. Many newer members would not know that the Claytons asked us to run the hospitality suite starting in 1994 and I handled all the arrangements for our 1998 cruise meeting to Ensenada, Mexico; after these “satisfactory trial runs” Doug was elected secretary-treasurer and we assumed full duties (yes, I said we, YPSW got two for one)! And, it has been a great experience getting to know you all.

My sincere thanks to Bob Lieckfield for providing the minutes of the Jan 23 business meeting. This is the start of our sharing the workload.

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

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 2020 meeting, so please mark your calendars – remember our meeting is ALWAYS the week of the MLK holiday so next year (January 22-24, 2020).

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Anna V. Davis
Secretary-Treasurer

Enclosures:
Annual Financial Statement
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