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May/October 2004 Board Meetings

The next Board meetings will be held May 8-9 at the Atlanta AIHce and October 2-3 at the time of the PCIH in Montreal. Anyone with issues that need to be addressed by the Board should contact the Executive Director, Lynn C. O'Donnell, CIH at (517) 321-2638 or abih@abih.org. ●

Self Nomination for an ABIH Director Position

ABIH is scheduled to elect new Directors at its October 2-3, 2004 meeting. These Directors will take office at the conclusion of the first Board meeting of 2005. There are two to four Board meetings per year. They are usually held on a weekend to avoid conflicting with work. Expenses related to Board travel are covered by ABIH.

If you would like to be considered for a Director position, please contact the Lansing office, stop at the ABIH booth at the Atlanta AIHce or go to the ABIH website under Forms and Publications/General/Director Nomination Timetable and Bio Form. The deadline for submissions is July 1st.

Questions about the election process can be directed to Lynn C. O'Donnell, CIH, Executive Director at (517) 321-2638 or abih@abih.org. ●

New Logo Launch

ABIH has selected a new logo designed by Nuance Marketing Group. The new logo, which appears in the masthead of this newsletter, replaces the previous diamond shaped logo.

For those attending the Atlanta AIHce, stop by the ABIH booth to enter the drawing for a free certificate frame.

ABIH will provide the winner with a new certificate which incorporates the new logo. Examples of the frames will be on display at the booth, or you can view them in advance by going to www.framingsuccess.com. Stop by ABIH Booth number 1028 and enter! ●

Not Certified

In response to inquiries, the American Board of Industrial Hygiene reports that the following individuals have never been certified by the Board and are not authorized to use the designations Certified Industrial Hygienist/CIH, Certified Associate Industrial Hygienist/CAIH or Industrial Hygienist In Training/IHIT.

Greg Hinkle

ARM Environmental Services
Columbia, SC

Julie D. Haas (King) (Miller)

Houston, TX

Chad Pierce

Formerly of Al Hill Boiler
Theodore, AL

Tristan O. Gour

Industrial Safety & Environmental
Services
Elkhart, IN

Dave Scott

City of Brantford
Brantford, Ontario, Canada

Reinstatement

Roderick G. Repke's certification expired in September 2003. He successfully completed the Certification Maintenance process for filing a late worksheet and has been reinstated as a CIH, Comprehensive Practice number 7567.

Walter H. Graze was also on the list of those who lost their certifications last September. We were notified recently that Mr. Graze died on March 2, 2003. He was in good standing at the time of his death and, at the request of his friends and colleagues, his CIH has been reinstated. ●

Intersociety Forum

ABIH served as co-host with the American Board for Occupational Health Nurses and the Board of Certified Safety Professionals for the annual Intersociety Forum held March 5th in Chicago. The Forum, founded in 1974, provides a medium for communication among organizations whose primary concern is with the health and safety of workers. The objectives are to exchange information and cooperate in activities of mutual interest. In addition to ABIH, ABOHN and BCSP, this year's attendees included the American Association of Occupational Health Nurses, American College of Occupational and Environmental Medicine, ACGIH, AIHA, American Society of Safety Engineers, Board of Certification in Professional Ergonomics, Council on Certification of Health, Environmental and Safety Technologists, National Environmental Health Association and the National Safety Council. ●

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19th Annual Professional Conference on Industrial Hygiene
October 2-5, 2004
Montréal, Canada

Make PCIH 2004
the next stamp on your passport!

Registration opens June 1, 2004 at www.aiha.org/pcih.htm



2003 Application/Examination/Certification Statistics/Accounting Resources

Applications

New Applications 290
Reapplications 822

Re-applicants include IHITs requesting approval to take the Comprehensive Practice examination; those previously approved who have delayed taking the exam(s) and those who are retaking an exam.

Examinations

Examination	#Examinees	#Who Passed	%Who Passed
Associate	Spring 10	3	33.3%
	Fall 8	3	
	Total 18	6	
Comprehensive Practice	Spring 352	163	42.7%
	Fall 362	142	
	Total 714	305	

Certification Maintenance

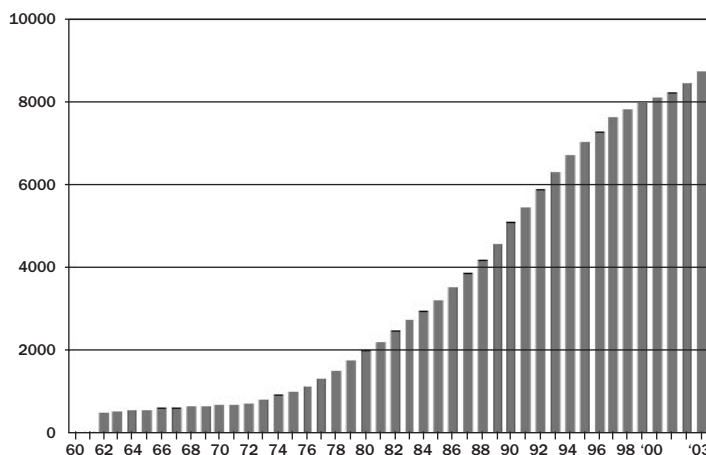
1997-2002

Certificates Due for Renewal 2652
Retired, Deceased or Previously Lapsed 643
Worksheets Due – February 1, 2003 2009
Certificates Renewed 1901
Certificates Not Renewed – September 13, 2003 108

1998-2003

Certificates Due for Renewal 1415
Worksheets Due – February 1, 2004
Certificates Not Renewed –

Cumulative Total of CIH Certificates Issued



CIHs/IHITs/CAIHs in Active Status

Through December 31, there were:

6518 CIHs in Active Status
6251 Comprehensive Practice
233 Chemical Practice
112 Other Aspects (Acoustics, Air Pollution, Engineering, Radiation and Toxicology)
* Some Diplomates are certified in more than one aspect
168 IHITs
28 CAIHs
73 Diplomates holding Indoor Environmental Quality Sub-Specialty Certificates



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Accounting Resources

The 2003 audited financial statement, prepared by Lewis M. Aronow, CPA, is presented below. The accompanying notes to the statement are maintained on file at the ABIH office in Lansing, Michigan.

AMERICAN BOARD OF INDUSTRIAL HYGIENE

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

DECEMBER 31, 2003

ASSETS

<u>Cash</u>		
Merrill Lynch – WCMA Account	\$367,123	
Fifth Third Bank – Savings Account	<u>50,738</u>	
Total Cash		\$417,861
Accrued Interest Receivable		2,367
Prepaid Expenses and Deposit		14,848
Office and Computer Equipment	163,892	
Less: Accumulated Depreciation	<u>111,963</u>	51,929
Investments – Securities		715,767
Investment – CCHEST Joint Venture		80,963
Trademark Costs, Net of Amortization		<u>22,570</u>
TOTAL ASSETS		<u>\$1,306,305</u>

LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS

Current Liabilities

Deferred Dues and Roster Fees	\$333,440	
Accounts Payable	10,873	
Accrued Expenses	<u>5,144</u>	
Total Current Liabilities		\$349,457
<u>Unrestricted Net Assets</u>		<u>956,848</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS		<u>\$1,306,305</u>

AMERICAN BOARD OF INDUSTRIAL HYGIENE

STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES AND CHANGES IN NET

ASSETS

YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2003

Revenues

Application Fees	\$105,152	
Examination Fees	197,200	
Dues	506,775	
Roster Fees	4,650	
Net Investment Income	17,975	
Net Unrealized Gain on Investments	86,333	
CM Worksheet Late Fees	10,250	
Refund - Joint Council Dues	1,888	
Seals, Videos and Other Income	<u>15,978</u>	
Total Revenues		\$946,201

Expenses

Meetings – Board and Committee	\$ 76,287	
Regional Examination Administration	7,525	
Examinations	35,929	
Executive Director's Office	615,839	
Policy Governance	19,971	
CESB Accreditation	4,500	
Donations – IH Organizations	<u>1,888</u>	
Total Expenses		<u>\$761,939</u>

<u>Equity in Net Income of CCHEST Joint Venture</u>	<u>21,312</u>
<u>Increase in Unrestricted Net Assets</u>	<u>205,574</u>
<u>Unrestricted Net Assets – January 1, 2003</u>	<u>751,274</u>
<u>Unrestricted Net Assets – December 31, 2003</u>	<u>\$956,848</u>

CM Guidance on Regulatory Courses – Asbestos, Lead and Hazardous Waste

The ABIH Certification Maintenance Committee reviewed the regulatory driven courses as a group and awarded a blanket approval for each course at a rate of .5 IH CM point per .5 day or 1.0 IH CM point per day. Each initial course and refresher can be claimed one time per CM cycle. The regulatory courses do not require an approval number. A listing of the regulatory courses can be found at the ABIH website under certification maintenance. ●

Consultant Survey

Thank you to all the consultants who responded to our recent email survey asking about possible upgrades/improvements to the consultant's web roster. We received about 200 replies and are still sorting through/evaluating the suggestions. We hope to implement some of the recommendations in the near future. ●

Rothwell Convicted

Eric Rothwell, a former environmental consultant, was convicted on February 5, 2004 in Alameda County Superior Court of two felonies and two misdemeanors associated with falsifying environmental lab results regarding soil from highway construction projects throughout California. He pled no contest to the felonies (Penal Code section 487 – Grand Theft) and misdemeanors (Health and Safety Code section 25191 (b) (1) [falsifying hazardous waste documents] and Labor Code section 6426 [falsifying OSHA documents]) as a variety of other charges were dismissed as part of a plea agreement. It is understood that when Rothwell is formally sentenced March 8, he will receive a term of 3 years in state prison.

Rothwell, who operated his consulting firm out of Emeryville, was hired by various highway construction contractors to 1) investigate the extent of the contamination of soil at various construction sites, and 2) prepare health and safety plans to assure the safety of workers coming into contact with contaminated soil. An investigation by the Alameda County District Attorney's Office concluded that for a period of over two years he repeatedly 1) falsified the laboratory data he supplied to his customers and 2) misrepresented his status as a Certified Industrial Hygienist. There was no evidence to suggest that the contractors who hired him were involved in or aware of the falsifications.

The case was charged and an arrest warrant issued in June 2003. Rothwell remained a fugitive (fleeing from the police on at least two occasions) until his surrender on January 14, 2004. ●

“Lost”

ABIH has tried to contact the following individuals, but we've been unable to locate them. We have listed their last known employer and state.

Roberta Hickman
Environmental Safety, Inc.
Kaneohe, HI

David B. Keller, PhD
Keller Consultants
San Diego, CA

Steven Pearce Lee
Shaw Alloy Piping Products, Inc.
Shreveport, LA

Daniel David Madary
Compliance Environmental International
Glen Burnie, MD

Linda Lou Schneider
Omaha Public Power District
Omaha, NE

Conrad I. Sherman
US Navy
San Diego, CA

Terry L. Wass
State of West Virginia
Charleston, WV

If you know where these CIHs are, please write, call, fax or email us with their current locations.

Atlanta AIHce “Quick Start”

If you know of EHS professionals who will be attending the conference and may be interested in pursuing the CIH or CAIH credential, let them know about the Quick Start Workshop on Wednesday, May 12 from 10:00 am – 12:00 Noon. Terry Thedell, PhD, CIH, CSP, former ABIH Director, will provide an orientation to the application/examination requirements, subject areas covered on the exam, Industrial Hygiene roles, tasks and responsibilities as well as key points of industrial hygiene practice. ●

Application Plans for ANSI Accreditation

As many of you are aware, ANSI is now providing accreditation under ISO/IEC 17024, General Requirements for Bodies Operating Certification Systems of Persons. This standard was developed with the objective of achieving and promoting a globally accepted benchmark for organizations operating certification of persons. The accreditation process requires an application with substantial documentation as well as an on site audit. Although ABIH is currently accredited by the Council of Engineering and Scientific Specialty Boards and is an IOHA Recognized Certification Board, the Board plans to submit an application for ANSI accreditation this year. ●

Atlanta AIHce Board Forum

The Board Forum is scheduled for Tuesday, May 11, 2004 from 10:30 am – 12:30 pm. Board members will present updates on Board activities and answer questions from Diplomates and others interested in certification. ●

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