# Spring 2024 Newsletter



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## President's Message

#### **President's Message Spring 2024**

Dear Section Members,

Happy New Year! I hope you got a chance to relax and spend time with family and friends over the holiday break. Our Spring conference is just around the corner. This year, the conference will be at the Hilton Raleigh North Hills. Special thanks to Connie for finding this location! We have a fantastic PDC and conference agenda planned with some unique topics. Big shout out to our Board for pulling the agenda together.

My term as President is coming to an end soon and I want to express my sincere gratitude for electing and supporting me over the past year. I have enjoyed getting to know more of our section members and was very fortunate to have a fantastic Board to support me.

I am excited to see how our local section continues to grow and evolve. I am pleased that during my tenure, our local section created the Pat Curran Memorial Scholarship and awarded the scholarship to our first winner, Dylan James. Our local section has also increased outreach efforts in pursuing young professionals to join the Industrial Hygiene profession and become more involved in the local AIHA Carolina's section. The younger generations are part of the future of the Industrial Hygiene profession. Yet, we cannot forget the members that have forged the path to where we are today and those members that provided many contributions to the AIHA Carolina's section.

To that end, the Board decided it was time to nominate the next Warren Cook Award recipient. I am pleased to announce Ken Warren as the 2023 recipient for his many years of service to the Industrial Hygiene profession as well as the AIHA Carolina's section. I also

thank the Board for helping establish the Distinguished Member Award in honoring members who regularly participate in the local section and provide meaningful contributions. We look forward to recognizing the 2023 award winners at the Spring Conference.

Lastly, come March, Grant Quiller will take over as the new President. I am confident that he will maintain the high standards that were set by past Presidents. We will also be filling other Board positions during our Spring meeting. I encourage each of you to think about volunteering your time and pursuing one of the open positions.

Sincerely, Carra Herring

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#### Wednesday, March 6th

#### 12 Noon - PDC Registration Opens

**Professional Development Course** 

1:00-5:00 pm

**Practical Radiation Safety for the Industrial Hygienist** 

Roger Sit, PhD, CHP

UNC-CH Department of Environment, Health, and Safety North Carolina Radiation Protection Commission

#### Thursday, March 7th

7:30-8:00 am Continental Breakfast

#### **Professional Development Course**

8:00 am-12:00 pm

Emerging Industrial Hygiene Challenges: An In-depth Analysis of the Growing Outbreak of Silicosis Among Engineered Stone Fabricators and Other Topics Jenny Houlroyd, CIH, MSPH

Safety, Health, Environmental Services at Georgia Tech DrPH Candidate at University of Georgia Athens

#### 10:00 AM - Conference Registration Opens

12:00-1:00 pm Lunch

**Conference Opening Session** 

1:00-1:05 pm

**President's Welcome** 

Carra Herring, President - AIHA Carolinas

1:10-2:00 pm

**Industry Profile** 

Drew Walker – HSE Manager, Mars Wrigley

2:00-2:45 pm

**Vendor & Student Introductions/Break** 

2:45-3:45 pm

Bioaerosols Exposure in the Workplace and OSHA Standards

Ushang Desai, Ph.D., MPH, CIH, CSP, CHMM Health Compliance Officer I, NC Dept of Labor 3:45-5:15 pm

Food Safety... the IH Perspective

Frank A. Garrett, CIH, CSP, CHMM Director of Health and Safety Cape Environmental Management Inc.

5:15-5:20 pm

**AIHA Carolinas Local Section update** 

5:30 pm

**Warren Cook Award Reception & Dinner** 

#### Friday, March 8th

8:00-8:30 am

**Continental Breakfast** 

8:30-9:30 am

**Ethics for the Health and Safety Professional** 

Richad Cravener Jr., MS, CIH, CSP Cravener Consulting Solutions

9:30-10:00 am

**Break/Vendor Presentations** 

10:00-10:45 am NC DOL OSHA Update

Paul Sullivan, CIH, CSP Assistant Deputy Commissioner Occupational Safety and Health Division

10:45-11:45 am

EHS and Facility Operational Issues at a BSL-3 Lab

Scott Alderman, MS, CBSP

Associate Director, Duke Regional Biocontainment Laboratory Director of Facilities & Safety, Duke Human Vaccine Institute

11:45 am-12:00 pm

**Elections/Closing Comments** 

# Fall 2024 and Spring 2025 Carolinas AIHA PDC and Conferences

## Fall 2024:

Location: Embassy Suites, Kingston Plantation, Myrtle Beach, SC

PDC and conference

Dates: September 25-27, 2024

Registration: Details will be shared with you later in the year

# **Spring 2025:**

Location: Hilton Charlotte University Place, Charlotte, NC

PDC and conference

Dates: March 5-7, 2025

Registration: www.aiha-carolinas.org



# Carolinas Section – AIHA Spring PDC and Conference, March 6-8, 2024 Hilton Raleigh North Hills, Raleigh, NC

# **Registration Form**

<u>Conference Registration</u>	Name:
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Nonmember(After Feb 22) \$320	
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#### Thanks to the AIHA Carolinas Spring 2024 Vendors



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#### Member News: eLearning Subscription 2024

Welcome to the 2024 eLearning Subscription! AIHA Carolinas access has been established for the 2024 eLearning Subscription program in the online classroom and you can begin viewing content now. Please note that this program runs from January 2024 through December 2024.

Here are the action items to take this month to maximize your participation in the program:

- 1. Login to the <u>online classroom</u> and verify that you see a tab to access your group's content. If you do not see this tab, please get in contact with us so we can research the issue. If you don't know your login credentials, please use the forgot password link on the login page to have them sent to you. Under the AIHA University tab, click Online Classroom. From there, click the Online Classroom option where you will see the 2023 AIHA Carolinas Section eLearning Subscription content.
- **2. Review the information posted on the** 2024 AIHA eLearning webpage. Here you will find information about upcoming live webinars, OnDemand content already added to your classroom, accessing your AIHA transcript and FAQs about using the system. We have already added several OnDemand sessions, so feel free to start checking those out! Bookmark this page in case you need to review it later.

We're looking forward to another program year! Expect to receive communications from us once a month with any program updates.

#### The Pat Curran Memorial Scholarship

Pat began his career in North Carolina State Government in 1972 and worked in the Division of Public Health in various capacities until his retirement in 2004. Pat continued to consult with industry and teach during his retirement. Through his working and retirement years, Pat served on many boards and committees and his greatest pleasures were helping people with their occupational and environmental health concerns and mentoring the next generation of safety and health professionals. He served as an Adjunct Professor at UNC-Chapel Hill: Environmental Sciences and Engineering-Gillings School of Global Public Health. Pat also taught at ECU in the Master of Science in Occupational Safety Program-College of Engineering and Technology.

Pat's outstanding work and contributions did not go unnoticed and upon his retirement from the State of North Carolina, he received the Order of the Long Leaf Pine from the Governor in recognition of his extraordinary service to the state. In 2010, Pat received the Warren Cook Award from the Carolinas Section of the American Industrial Hygiene Association for outstanding contributions to the profession of industrial hygiene.



John "Pat" Curran

Most recently, Pat received the Robert T. Hughes Memorial Award from the American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists which recognizes outstanding individuals in the field of industrial ventilation.

#### Scholarship Eligibility Criteria

In awarding the Pat Curran Memorial Scholarship, the recipient should be:

- Enrolled at the graduate or undergraduate level at a university in Carolina's Local Section geographic area in an ABET-accredited program with an emphasis in occupational health.
- Maintain a minimum GPA of 3.0 out of 4.0 scale, or a B average.

For more information, to donate, or to apply for the scholarship, please visit the <u>The Pat Curran Memorial Scholarship | AIHA</u> found on the AIHA website.