Dear Local Section Members,

I hope 2019 is off to a great start for all of you! Needless to say, the fall of 2018 was a bit rough! Hurricane Florence certainly impacted our fall meeting in Myrtle Beach. It was truly unfortunate that it was necessary to cancel our conference. It is always our hope that we don't have to cancel the meeting. Hopefully, everyone understands that the decision was made with everyone’s safety in mind. For those who may have been personally impacted, I hope that you are well on the road to recovery. As for the Section, we did not suffer any financial loss as a result of the meeting cancellation. The hotel worked with our Section for this positive outcome.

It’s now time to move forward with 2019. I hope you will join us for our meeting in Concord on March 6-8. We have an outstanding PDC entitled “Essentials of Product Stewardship”. It will be presented by Gail Hart, a member of the Product Stewardship Faculty at Indiana University Fairbanks, School of Public Health. Our conference agenda also has timely topics that we can all benefit from. We have tried to incorporate a cross-section of topics that the membership has expressed interest in over the last couple of years. In addition to traditional industrial hygiene topics, this time we are pleased to have officers from the Charlotte Mecklenburg and Shelby Police Departments join us. They will be covering the ABC’s of an Active Threat Response Plan and how to deal with work crisis. While these topics may not be traditional industrial hygiene, they are certainly topics that all of us must be prepared to deal with in our workplaces and communities.

Spring means it’s time for new beginnings. My term as President will come to an end at the Spring conference. It has been my pleasure to continue to support our local section. During our business meeting, we will elect a new Vice President and a South Carolina Director. In accordance with our by-laws, Tim Hicks, Past President, will rotate off of the board. I will move to Past President, Lee McKinney will become President and Jill Warren, Secretary and Dave Brummitt, Treasurer will serve in their capacities until the Spring of 2020. Leaton Jones, NC Director will serve until Spring 2020 and Rachel Morgan, SC Director will be stepping down this spring. The Executive Committee will propose a slate of candidates, for the board openings, to the membership, via e-mail, no later than 10 days prior to our business meeting in Concord on March 8. In addition to the slate of candidates, we will also provide you with minor change to our By-laws. The change involves simply adding the duties and responsibilities of Directors.

My sincere thanks to all who have served and all who will serve our Carolinas Section! We have a proud history that I know will continue well into the future. It’s because of all of our members-past, present and future!

I look forward to seeing you in Concord,

Mary Carol Lewis Curran
Spring Conference Profile

**Wednesday, March 6th**

**Professional Development Course**

12:00 pm
PDC Registration Opens

1:00-5:00 pm
PDC: Essentials of Product Stewardship
Gailen (Gail) Hart, Member, Product Stewardship Faculty, Indiana University Fairbanks, School of Public Health

**Thursday, March 7th**

**Professional Development Course (cont’d)**

7:30-8:00 am
Continental Breakfast

8:00 am-12:00 pm
PDC: Essentials of Product Stewardship

10:00 am-12:00 pm
Conference Registration Opens

12:00-1:00 pm
Lunch (Vendor Display Area)

**Conference Opening Session**

1:00-1:15 pm
President’s Welcome
Mary Carol Curran, PCIH, Consultant

1:15 pm-3:15 pm
Active Survival: ABC’s Active Threat Response Plan
Officer Johnathan Frisk, Community Safety Resources, Charlotte Mecklenburg Police Department

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**Thursday, March 7th**

**Conference Sessions (cont’d)**

3:15-3:30 pm
Vendor/Student Poster Introductions

3:30-4:00 pm
Break (Vendor Display Area)

4:00-5:00 pm
How to Deal with Work Crisis
Chief Jeff Ledford, Shelby Police Department

5:15 pm
Past President’s Reception

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**Friday, March 8th**

**Conference Closing Session**

8:00-8:30 am
Continental Breakfast (Vendor Display Area)

8:30-8:45 am
Business Meeting
Mary Carol Curran, PCIH Consultant

8:45-9:00 am
North Carolina OSHA Update
Paul Sullivan, CIH, CSP, NC OSH Bureau Chief West

9:00-10:00 am
The New OSHA Silica Rule: What We Have Learned So Far
Scott Rohlf, CIH, National Industrial Hygiene Program Manager, EMSL

10:00-10:30 am
Break (Vendor Display Area)

10:30-11:30 am
Adsorption Characteristics of Activated Carbon Fibers in Respirator Cartridges of Toluene
Jo Anne G. Balanay, MOH, PhD, CIH, Associate Professor, Environmental Health Science Program, East Carolina University

11:30 am-11:55 pm
New Professional Involvement and Outreach
Rene Vanek, Outreach Coordinator, AIHA Carolinas

12:00 PM
Closing Remarks
Mary Carol Curran, PCIH, Consultant
Essentials of Product Stewardship

Product Stewardship (PS) is a critical element in a company’s day-to-day operations and license to operate. This workshop will provide a sound, disciplined set of PS Core Competencies that can enhance the PS professional and benefit the company. We will examine these core competencies through a holistic approach to PS, not just a discussion of unrelated regulations, buyer requirements, and emerging issues to be addressed on an ad-hoc and uncoordinated basis. We will learn to anticipate, recognize, evaluate and manage the Product Stewardship issues that face consumers, producers, and public.

By sharing best-in-class approaches, this full-day workshop will benefit new and early career Product Stewards, as well as mid-career professionals looking to enhance their core competencies; industrial hygienists and other EHS professionals wanting to better understand the role of Product Stewardship; as well as professionals that interface with Product Stewardship activities, including legal, research & design, and business development.

About the Instructor

Mr. Gailen (Gail) Hart currently serves as a member of the product stewardship faculty at the Indiana University Fairbanks School of Public Health. Previously, Mr. Hart spent 38 years with ExxonMobil, initially holding a range of chemical plant manufacturing assignments, including project and cost engineering, and supervision of mechanical design and plant maintenance. Later assignments included management of export/import operations; new business development; and product management. In the latter half of his career, Mr. Hart held several product stewardship management positions, ultimately leading to the executive role in global product stewardship services for the corporation. Mr. Hart holds a BS in Industrial Engineering from Iowa State University and an MBA from Rutgers University.
**Carolinas Section - AIHA**  
**Spring PDC and Conference**  
**March 6**th **– March 8**th **2019**

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**Exhibit Space (each table)** $400

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Thank You!
Board Member Elections – Spring Conference

There are several positions on the Carolinas AIHA Board available for election at the Spring Conference. These positions are:

- **President** – current VP Lee McKinney will move into the position;
- **Vice – President**, progressive position;
- **SC Board Member**, 2 year term with option to progress to other roles.

Please contact a current Board member to inquire about positions and express your interest in serving. Many thanks to current Board members for their volunteer service to Carolinas AIHA!

**eLearning**

The Carolinas-AIHA is pleased to announce that we have continued the eLearning Subscription series for our members and purchased the subscription for 2019!

Check out the eLearning Subscriber’s webpage for more information. This web page will list all upcoming webinars and house links to the recordings, handout materials, and evaluations.

[https://www.aiha.org/education/eLearning/Pages/eLearningSubscriptionMembers2018.aspx](https://www.aiha.org/education/eLearning/Pages/eLearningSubscriptionMembers2018.aspx)

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The deadline for submitting evaluations is January 31, 2020.