Dinner Meeting Minutes
November 13, 2014

Our November meeting was held at the Hilton Wilmington/Christiana, 100 Continental Dr., Newark, Delaware.

Agenda: 5:30 PM Social Hour
       6:00 PM Honorarium Presentations to Barbara Dawson
       6:15 PM Officer Nomination
       6:00 PM SKC Presentation
       6:30 PM Dinner
       7:00 PM Meeting Presentation

MINUTES

1. Pre-meeting Executive Meeting: Discussion on AIHA Fellow nominations from our Section, potential dates and programs for 2015, including reaching out to the Delaware section of ASSE.

2. President Aaron Chen presented Barbara Dawson with an engraved crystal vase from the Delaware section AIHA in recognition of her dedication to the profession of industrial hygiene. The Delaware section AIHA also donated $1000 to the American Industrial Hygiene Foundation in honor of her service. A framed certificate documenting this donation was also presented to her, along with a bouquet of flowers.

3. Officers Nominated for 2015:
   a. President-Joe Miller
   b. President Elect-Don Woiski
   c. Secretary-Janice Connell
   d. Treasurer-Norm Henry
   e. Program Director-Sharon Sperber Rosen
   f. Communications-Dick Wolf
   g. Past President-Aaron Chen

4. SKC. Inc. was our sponsor for the November dinner meeting. Two SKC representatives, Ms. Nicole Zovack, SKC Technical Sales Representative and Debbie Dietrich, VP and Corporate IH for SKC, Inc. shared information about the services and products that SKC provides. Presentation information included an overview of sampling challenges both past and present, the research and development of air sampling equipment and methods including sorbent tube samplers, gas sampling equipment, passive samplers and the most recent advances in respirable dust samplers and methods. Note that SKC began operations in Western PA. We really appreciated the information as well as the support of our section.

5. Meeting Topic: Occupational Safety and Health Orientation of the New Employee. Speaker: Bernadette Pogozelski, MS, CIH. Bernadette’s lively and interactive presentation on new employee orientation focused on how to engage new employees, making them feel a part of not only the organization but also a part of the safety and health culture that the organization finds so valuable. Bernadette described how the orientation program should be designed across the organization so that the new employee will result will understand and embrace the EHS responsibilities and accountabilities so that the performance of activities from the administrative employee through the production line worker is accomplished in a manner consistent with requirements, increased productivity, incident reduction and decreased employee turnover.