MEETING: February 16, 2010

LOCATION:
Pantagis Renaissance/
Snuffy’s Clambar
250 Park Ave. (at Mountain Ave)
Scotch Plains, NJ 07076
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PROGRAM:
4:30 p.m. Executive Meeting
6:00 p.m. Networking
6:30 p.m. Dinner
7:30 p.m. Presentation

DINNER COST: (dinner optional)
Members & Guests: $25.00
Students: $15.00

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FEBRUARY MEETING

OSHA’s Hex Chrome Rule – How it Affects Your Business
Speaker: Brent Altemose, CIH, CSP, Principal Consultant,
SABRE Health & Safety

This presentation describes the key requirements of 1910.1026, the Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) regulation for hexavalent chromium. What hexavalent chromium is, how it can be generated by welding and cutting of steel, and why it is a concern are discussed. It includes details regarding how your company can comply with the regulation, thereby avoiding fines and citations and protecting employees from exposure to this potentially toxic metal. Finally, it discusses when exposure monitoring for hexavalent chromium is necessary and how it should be conducted in your facility.

Brent Altemose is the owner and principal consultant at SABRE Health & Safety. His professional expertise is a unique blend of industrial hygiene, engineering, and safety. He holds a BS in Mechanical Engineering from Penn State and an MS in Industrial Hygiene from the University of North Carolina. Since beginning his career as a ventilation engineer, he has worked for 15 years leading and developing programs in industrial health & safety in a variety of industries. Brent is both a Certified Safety Professional and a Certified Industrial Hygienist. Brent previously was the lead industrial hygienist for a Johnson & Johnson company with approximately 5,000 employees and 26 operating locations worldwide.
Chairman’s Message

As we move along in the New Year, we are featuring as our technical program for February "Monitoring for Hexavalent Chromium". This will address the steps needed to comply with the revised OSHA standard as well as the monitoring protocol for other hazardous materials present in the workplace. This informative program will enable you to assess what steps are needed to meet your regulatory requirements, but also to improve the health, safety and welfare of your workforce.

James Dolan, CPS/CWI, Dolan Associates
AWS NJ Section Chairman

Welder Available

Gary Sisk is new to the NJ area. He and his wife recently moved to Highlands, NJ from Indianapolis, IN. He has almost 15 years of experience in welding, most recently 5 years with AmeriBridge as a welder/iron worker/field technician installing, modifying, and refurbishing passenger boarding bridges at airports across the U.S. He was certified in MIG Welding in 1995, and began his career in welding at Geiger and Peters in Indianapolis where he spent eight years. He is looking for a welding position that can best utilize his skills and experience. Gary can be contacted at: 317-903-1146, or email: garysisk76@gmail.com

Skills USA

Saturday, May 8, 2010
Somerset County Vocational-Technical School, Bridgewater, NJ

If you or your company can assist with the contest, please email either George Sheehan: gsheehan@ucvts.tec.nj.us or Jim Dolan: dolanjf@aol.com
Welcome Members

The AWS NJ Section welcomes the following new members:

Mark Balzarette
Daniel Buenaventura
Maureen Fackenthal, US Marine Safety
Benjamin Field, G. Cotter Enterprise
Luis Garcia, G. Cotter Enterprise
George Hornung, Maltese Iron Works
Sujin Kim
Harold A. Lyons, CRS Group
Francisco Marrero
Frank Montagna
Aby Molathu Poulose, Future Tech
Michelle Notch, Superior Welding Co.
Edgar Pino
Pramod K. Pokharel
Brian Van Driel, NJ Transit
Joel W. Venturini

We look forward to seeing you. The first dinner meeting that a new member attends is complimentary.

Member Awards

The following AWS NJ Section members will be recognized at the February 16th meeting:

**Section Meritorious Award:**
William Dallas, Industrial Welding Supply, Somerset, NJ
Donald Smith, Somerset County Vo-Tech, Bridgewater, NJ

**District Meritorious Award**
George Sheehan, Union County Vo-Tech, Scotch Plains, NJ

**District Educator Award—Public**
Herbert Browne, Morris County School of Technology, Denville, NJ

**District Educator Award—Private Sector**
Michael Geczi, Steamfitters Union Local 475, Warren, NJ

**August F. Manz Speaker of the Year**
Wyatt Mann, The Lincoln Electric Co., Inc., Long Branch, NJ

The Section acknowledges and thanks these members for their contributions.

Gold Member—50 years:
Alfred F. Fleury, A.F. Fleury Associates, Bound Brook, NJ
August F. Manz, A.F. Manz Associates, Union, NJ
G. J. Pilling, Park Steel and Iron, Bradley Beach, NJ

Life Member—35 years:
Vincent Murray, AGL Welding Supply Co., Inc., Clifton, NJ
Martin Shebold, Bloomfield, NJ

Silver Member—25 years:
Robert H. Hahn, Jr., Totowa, NJ
Robert Price, Mt. Holly, NJ
Stevens Pendleton, Belleville, NJ
Thurman M. Smith, Englewood, NJ
Now is the Time

Get the most from your membership. The AWS NJ Section is looking for several action-oriented members to join the team of Officers, Executive and Standing Committees.

This is the time of year when nominations are made, committees are formed, and planning gets underway so that programs can be initiated and transitioned into next season. It’s a perfect opportunity for you to jump in, share your ideas, and have them put into action. You’ll also make new contacts, network with others in the industry, work side-by-side with welding experts, and gain valuable managerial and leadership experience that will assist in your career.

If you’re interested, speak with any of the officers or committee chairs, or attend the Executive meeting at 4:30pm before the general meeting.

Keep your info current

Please check to be sure that your membership info is up to date and complete at AWS headquarters. Add your email address, update job info, contact phone numbers, change your address, etc. as needed. You can also email any changes and updates to: grillonpkg@comcast.net

Come as You Are

Please don’t be concerned if your clothes or boots aren’t clean after working the day of the Section meeting. The AWS knows first-hand that performing welding, cutting and related operations is often a dirty business. You are always welcome to just come as you are to take full advantage of all the benefits.

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