

## **NEWSLETTER**

**July 14, 2008**

Dear Member:

Enclosed with this letter is your 2008-2009 Membership Book.

### **MEMBERSHIP BOOK**

YPSW members are located throughout the United States and the United Kingdom. Current membership by location is as follows: 24 in California, 18 in Texas, 9 in Michigan, 6 in Georgia, 5 in Ohio, 4 each in North Carolina, Pennsylvania and Virginia, 3 in Hawaii, 2 each in Alabama, Arizona, Delaware, Kansas, Maryland and New Mexico, 1 each in Colorado, Florida, Idaho, Illinois, New Jersey, Nevada, Tennessee, Utah, West Virginia and the United Kingdom. Our unique section has 100 members as of this date (55 Life, 1 Honorary and 45 Annual).

Please check the 2008-2009 Membership Book carefully for changes in mailing addresses, Emails, telephone, cell and fax numbers (there are many changes). If your personal listing is incorrect (or changes at anytime throughout the year) please notify me by Email, telephone, fax or "snail" mail as soon as possible to enable us have a current roster at all times.

### **JANUARY 2009 ANNUAL MEETING INFORMATION**

At the annual business meeting in January, it was agreed we would hold the 2009 meeting at the Bay Club Hotel and Marina, located at 2131 Shelter Island Drive, where we held our 2003, 2005 and 2007 meetings.

The Bay Club Hotel and Marina has a charming boutique atmosphere, a South Pacific decor and a dedicated, friendly and helpful staff. Information was reaffirmed at the Executive Committee June 3, during the 2008 AIHce meeting in Minneapolis. We secured a block of twenty (20) rooms, signed a contract and made a good faith deposit.

- The meeting will be held Wednesday, January 21 through Friday, January 23, 2009 (i.e., the week of Martin Luther King holiday).
- Daily room rates negotiated for single or double are \$139.00, plus 12.5 % occupancy tax, for run of the house (ROH) rooms. Executive suites are \$229.00 and one bedroom suites \$269.00 plus the 12.5% occupancy tax. All rooms have views of the harbor or marina, and offer balconies, coffee makers, refrigerators, hair dryers, iron/ironing board, voice mail, data ports, wireless internet access, two telephones, pay-per-view movies, HBO and Disney channels, cable TV and Nintendo. The group rate will be honored for two pre and/or post conference day stays.
- Room rate includes a complimentary full breakfast buffet.
- Complimentary local morning newspaper weekdays.
- Hotel parking fee waived.

- The hotel offers complimentary airport and Amtrak transportation via a five-passenger van – inquire about details when making your room reservations.
- Discount tickets to local attractions, rental car reservations and entertainment recommendations.
- Other amenities include a gift shop, heated pool and hot tub, exercise room and massage therapy.

**Please make your hotel reservations as soon as possible so, if needed, we can request additional rooms at the group rate.** Toll free number is (800) 672-0800 - local number is (619) 224-8888 you must mention **YPSW-AIHA** and the dates to receive the special rate. The hotel will also accept pre and post extensions of stay at the group rate in a limited capacity; check on availability when making your hotel reservations. Cut-off date for our group reservations at the \$139.00 rate is January 5, 2009; after that date rooms will be at the prevailing rate depending upon space availability.

In addition to confirming the venue for the January 2009 meeting during the Executive Committee meeting on June 3 2008, the following items were discussed:

- Theme is Industrial Hygiene – Broader Dimensions, Broader Directions. As Program Chair, Howard Kusnetz reviewed his proposed program and stated he contacted speakers by mail and telephone and they responded positively. Howard has arranged the Thursday morning and all day Friday program to accommodate speakers' availability.
- Thursday afternoon at present will be free time. Anna Davis will check into possibility of a half-day bus tour of San Diego for those interested. If tour is available, information will be included with the registration materials mailed in November.
- Emil Christofano was unanimously selected as the 2009 recipient of the Section Award. Chris was notified of his selection by telephone and formal letter. To say the least he was delighted!
- The Executive Committee will meet again, most likely by teleconference or email in the fall to finalize all the details for the January 2009 meeting, including the proposed technical program, registration fees, etc. Registration packages will then be prepared, assembled and mailed.

### **MEMBERSHIP CHANGES**

- Welcome to New Members: Robert Bacci, Judith Freyman, Lawrence Gibbs, Richard Hirsh, Marie Martin, Hank McDermott, Susan Ripple, Susan Browne-Rosenberg, Howard Spielman and Lawrence Whitehouse
- Peter Bellin, Pat Brogan and Frank Hearl upgraded their memberships to Lifetime

### **WEBSITE**

Peter Bellin established and maintains our website: [www.ypswaiha.org](http://www.ypswaiha.org). Visit the website and provide Peter with your feedback.

### **OBITUARY**

It is with great sadness we report the death of Jane Smallwood, Bill Krebs' companion. Jane passed away January 28, 2008 at the Shelby Nursing Center in Shelby Township, MI. Sincere condolences to Bill and to Jane's family.

### **MISCELLANEOUS**

#### **New YPSW-AIHA Board Coordinator:**

Don Hart, Ph.D., CIH, AIHA Past President, 232 Cedar Bend Drive, Lake Orion, MI 48362, Office: (248)814-9286  
Donald.j.hart@comcast.net

### **Post January 2009 Meeting Cruise Option:**

We had a “lukewarm” response to taking a group cruise after our January 2009 meeting. The following options are available if you are truly interested and willing to make a commitment. **No space is currently being held; the rates and availability are subject to change.** Please let me know by email or phone if you desire to take one of these cruises – we can then reserve space and dates.

### **Carnival Cruise Lines Itinerary on the Elation for Jan 24, 2009 (5 nights) from San Diego**

- Day 1 – sail from San Diego at 4:00 PM
- Day 2 – At Sea
- Day 3 – Cabo San Lucas
- Day 4 – At Sea
- Day 5 – Ensenada
- Day 6 – dock in San Diego – 8:00 AM

### **Pricing:**

Category 4A - inside cabin - \$150 pp first and second passengers

Category 6A - ocean view cabin - \$210 pp first and second passengers

Port charges, taxes, and fuel supplement fee are an additional \$229.05 per person

### **The current 3rd and 4th passenger rates are:**

4A - \$100 pp

6A - \$110 pp

Port charges, taxes, and fuel supplement fee for 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> passengers are an additional \$204.05 per person

### **Princess Cruise Line Itinerary on the Sapphire Princess Jan 24, 2009 (7 nights) from Los Angeles**

- Day 1 – sail from Los Angeles at 4:00 PM
- Day 2 – At Sea
- Day 3 – At Sea
- Day 4 – Puerto Vallarta
- Day 5 – Mazatlan
- Day 6 – Cabo San Lucas
- Day 7 – At Sea
- Day 8 – dock in Los Angeles at 6:00 AM

### **Pricing:**

Category J - inside cabin - \$619 pp first and second passengers

Category EE - ocean view cabin - \$749 pp first and second passengers

Category BC - balcony cabin - \$1029 pp first and second passengers

Port charges of \$159 pp are included with the rates. The government fee and fuel supplements are an additional \$126.17 per person

### **The current 3rd and 4th passenger rates are:**

Category J - \$299 pp

Category EE - \$399 pp

Category BC - \$499 pp

3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> passenger rates include the port charges of \$159 pp. The government fee and fuel supplements are an additional \$91.17 per person

If you desire a mini suite or suite on either cruise, Anna will obtain the information for you. Do contact Anna by email or phone as soon as possible if you are indeed interested in these cruises or desire more information. Information is needed to lock in the date, then your deposits can be made locking in the price.

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If you require transportation from the airport or Amtrak to the hotel, please advise the reservations clerk when making your reservation. It would also be a good idea to confirm that requirement with the hotel a day before your arrival.

Please let us know your preference in receiving section letters via U.S. Mail or Email.

Thanks to all the YPSW members for keeping the faith and making YPSW a continuing success. Member input and cooperation keeps YPSW alive and flourishing. Information about your travels or any other subject that would be of interest to fellow members is welcomed for publication.

This letter is a few weeks later than usual due to my hospitalization for pneumonia Jun 11-21, a back injury Jul 6-9 and presently in rehab for the back injury. We also wanted to obtain the most up to date pricing on the proposed cruises. As ever, Anna is carrying out the Secretary-Treasurer duties for me with her usual administrative efficiency.

Wishing each of you a happy, safe and very enjoyable summer.

Very truly yours,

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Douglas J. Davis  
Secretary-Treasurer

Enclosure:  
Membership Book