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# The Mitigator

## Congratulation to Dr. Reynolds for being selected as AIHA Fellow

The AIHA Fellow Award recognizes those individuals who have made large strides in the field of industrial hygiene or related disciplines. We all know, as industrial hygienists in training, Dr. Reynolds has made, and will continue to make significant contributions to occupational health, industrial hygiene, toxicology, and other related fields through his: (1) devotion to the practice and cause of protecting worker health, (2) novel research, (3) work in policy areas, and (4) exemplary teaching at Colorado State University. He is also a member of good standing of at least 15 years with AIHA and is greatly dedicated to the service of AIHA.

The Rocky Mountain Local Section was instrumental in

compiling a terrific application highlighting all of Dr. Reynolds accolades.

Only 5% of the AIHA membership is eligible for the Fellow Award. Currently, Dr. Reynolds is conducting genetic studies to look at the human susceptibility of sensitive populations to exposures of endotoxin (a gram-negative bacteria associated with causing respiratory disease). According to Lance Perryman, Dean of the College of Veterinary Medicine and Biomedical Sciences in the latest issue of the e-insight magazine,



Dr. Reynolds Awarded AIHA Fellow

“Dr. Reynolds is a leader in his field, and his colleagues and students have benefited greatly from his hard work and creativity in building a vibrant research and teaching program in industrial hygiene.” Published without a conflict of interest or bias from a Ph.D. Student with Dr. Reynolds on his committee

## Environmental Health and Safety Regulatory Course

Want to know about safety and health management systems or environmental management systems? How about environmental regulations that impact our field or transportation regulations?

Then what are you waiting for (besides next semester)? Join Dr. Brazile on his ES&H

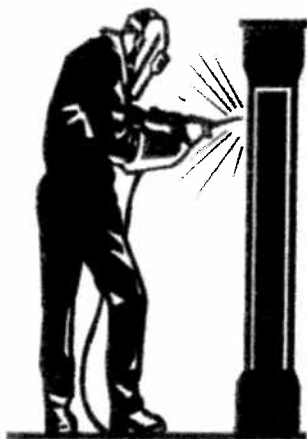
Management Expedition in ERHS 580 Tuesdays and Thursdays from 11-12:15.

The content of the course was frame-worked with the help of Del Sandfort and Ken McNaught with their undaunted courage and unwavering focus. So you too can be armed with the knowledge

these two have when approaching the design and implementation of ES&H systems.

“Don’t be a slacker and enroll!”, says an anonymous source.

Don’t get left behind in a silo! Strengthen your generalist knowledge. It’s half the battle!



Be sure to check out Seven Guidelines on Hazards of Welding and Other 'Hot' Work by CSB. <http://www.csb.gov/newsroom/>

## Rocky Mountain Section Wins in AIHA National Membership Recruitment Campaign!

Congratulations to the Rocky Mountain Section for their efforts in the recent campaign for recruiting new national AIHA members. Beginning on April 23, 2009 and ending December 15, 2009, the RMS-AIHA Local Section worked extensively on elevating the membership status. They were one of the two top local sections with the most recruited

new AIHA members per their medium size (51-100 members) category.

For their efforts, RMS-AIHA has received an upcoming, live teleweb of their choice. Cindy Becnel is the the RMS Education Chair and will be sending out an announcement soon.

The RMS continues to be a paradigm for

excellence and leadership that our section can hold in high esteem and be honored for their continued sponsorship of our section.

Way to go RMS! Please let Dr. Reynolds know if you would like to attend this teleweb for continuing education and certification points.

## A Visit from Our Romanian colleagues May 28<sup>th</sup>

"I learned that in that clinic alone, 3000 people were dying each year of Silicosis... so this major problem became my passion to solve."

Dr. Roy Buchan's Occupational Health Odyssey (of over 10 years) in Romania has been one of tremendous value to the mining regions of this beautiful country with the epic views of the Carpathian Mountains.

During Dr. Buchan's first tour of a Silicosis Clinic, he quickly realized the immediate need for occupational hygiene and prevention.

"I learned that in that clinic alone, 3000 people were dying each year of Silicosis... so this major problem became my passion to solve."

His journey has not only made a significant impact in the arena of occupational health in regions of Romania, but has also given rise to the partnership between the RMS -AIHA-SS and Iasi Technical University. Outreach efforts

have included listserves and fundraising for relevant training materials and their attendant shipping costs.

We are privileged to embark on such a partnership and collaboration. The CSU IH Program, Dean Perryman, and RMS-SS will be hosting some visiting scholars and administrators from Iasi Technical University May 28th. Please join us.



If you have an article to submit for the next issue of The Mitigator, contact me at [jwschaeffer@gmail.com](mailto:jwschaeffer@gmail.com)

## AIHA-RMS and ASSE Fall Technical Conference

Want to know how GIS can be used to help understand environmental factors in childhood asthma? How to evaluate and control asthma triggers in residential areas? Or what's new in preventing asthma and allergies from animals?

If you attended last years conference, then you received the answer to such questions!

Please consider submitting a poster to the Annual AIHA-RMS and ASSE Fall Technical Conference September 28th and 29th, 2010.

The local section will also be looking for students to volunteer. Please contact Rob Strode at [Rstrode@cih.com](mailto:Rstrode@cih.com) if interested.



## Congratulations To This Year's Master Graduates

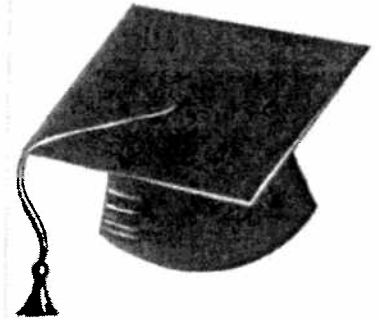
As I look out of my office window, giving my eyes a laconic break from the computer radiation that seems tantamount to what some skiers must experience after a blue bird-goggle-less day, I notice that there is an increase in activity and traffic of students answering the age old question of who wears short shorts.... And as I see the Frisbees elegantly floating past my window in a pristine prism of sunlight accompanied by laughing onomatopoeias popping up in little talking bubbles (quicker than

my instant messaging) from a group of must-be graduating seniors—I have an overwhelming feeling of ambivalence as my colleagues have joined the ranks of professionals.

Heather Bazemore, Shanna Henk, and Catherine Schwennker have successfully navigated through the MS curriculum and thesis rigmarole; and have set their compass on yet another adventure: entering the job market as Industrial Hygienists.

I am both saddened to bid them farewell but excited for their individual accomplishments. There will be some big shoes to fill in each of the footprints you have left on this program and student section—and not because you have Shaquille O'Neil feet. We look forward to your correspondence and updates to include in the Mitigator.

~ Joshua W. Schaeffer



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## CSU Mixer

This year's CSU mixer, alumni reunion, rendezvous, or just fun gathering will be held at Wynkoop Brewery on Tuesday May 25th following the MSA party.

We had an excellent turnout last year in Toronto and received positive feedback for the organization and timing of the reunion.

And this year the MAP ERC will be joining us as well. So we will be able to see our interdisciplinary friends outside the didactics.

Please join us!



CHEERS!



Be there or Be Square! And remember BE SAFE out there! I wear my hard hat all day; even grocery shopping-safety first.

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## RMS-AIHA-SS

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PELs, RELs, and TLVs  
Since 1973**

## The RMS-AIHA-SS's Vision with a Mission

The Rocky Mountain Section AIHA Student Section (RMS-AIHA-SS) was chartered in July of 1998 under Dr. Roy Buchan, serving as faculty advisor. The AIHA Executive Board granted approval and provided certification to the RMS-AIHA-SS for its grassroots activism in advocating for AIHA's Mission within Colorado, specifically the Colorado State University community. The vision of the student section has been to cultivate leadership qualities (such as accountability and responsibility) through education and diverse applications of training to current and emerging industrial hygiene issues facing workers, labor, and the industry.

The mission has been to promote the advancement of the core principles of industrial hygiene and environmental health, as well as fostering professional development of its members. The Rocky Mountain Section (RMS) out of Denver has been the sponsoring local section since 1998, and has served as the model for occupational and environmental health excellence. The RMS core values drive their continued success as a national and worldwide leader within the arena of occupational and environmental health and safety that we as a student section will continue to learn from either attending local section meetings and/or "brown bag" type of talks.

### Current Student Section Representatives

*President* - Joshua Schaeffer

*Vice President* - Brie Hawley

*Secretary* - Shanna Henk (secretary elect - Miriam Koesterich)

*Treasurer* - Catherine Schwennker (treasurer elect - Sara Funk)

## CSU IH T-Shirts on Sale

Greetings,

This is an exciting time for us all as warmer weather is around the corner, and the AIHce in Denver will be here before we know it. The student section has been working extensively on community and international outreach efforts. The RMS-AIHA-SS will be selling t-shirts to raise the necessary funds to aid us in fulfilling our core initiatives.

Buying and wearing a CSU IH t-shirt during the conference will

not only help us reach our goals, but will show a great sense of pride for a program that is continually a leader in occupational and environmental health. We look forward to meeting your orders. Each shirt will cost \$17, and we humbly ask that checks are made out to the Rocky Mountain AIHA Student Section and sent upon order. Please see that attachment that contains all three slogans. Please email your size, color, slogan of preference, and

quantity to me at [jwschaeffer@gmail.com](mailto:jwschaeffer@gmail.com).

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