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SCHC UNIVERSITY RELATIONS COMMITTEE GRANTS

SCHC's University Relations Committee still has student grants available for the 2016-2017 academic cycle. Please contact Bob Skoglund, robert.skoglund@covestro.com, or Gary Wilkinson, gary.wilkinson@scotts.com for more information.

THANK YOU TO OUR VENDORS AT THE FALL MEETING: SEPTEMBER 27, 2016

- 3E Company
- AIHA Registry Programs
- Brandywine Drumlabels LLC
- Canadian Centre for Occupational Health and Safety (CCOHS)
- CGI
- ChemADVISOR, Inc.
- Chemical Inspection & Regulation Service Ltd. (CIRS)
- Chemical Watch
- Chemwatch Americas LLC
- Critical Path Services, LLC
- Envigo
- GLTaC, Inc.
- H2 Compliance Inc.
- Lisam Systems
- Loftware, Inc.
- MSDSONline
- Neuralog, LP
- NCEC (part of Ricardo)
- Pace Analytical
- REACH24H USA Inc.
- Reliance Label Solutions
- RightAnswer.com, Inc.
- SafeTec
- The REACH Centre Ltd
- U.S. Dept. of Labor, OSHA, DCSP
- UL The Weracs

PHOTOS FROM THIS YEAR'S FALL MEETING



OSHA

OSHA's Recommended Practices
for Safety and Health Programs
Now Available for Download



PLEASE SEE THE INFORMATION AND FAQ'S BELOW:

What Are Safety And Health Programs?

- Safety & Health Programs are a proactive approach to managing workplace safety and health to prevent workplace injuries, illnesses, and deaths.
- They are built around a core set of business processes that can be implemented in any workplace and industry, and there are different frameworks available.
- All Safety & Health Programs have 3 core principles: management leadership, worker participation, and a proactive process to find and fix hazards.
- OSHA's new Recommended Practices for Safety & Health Programs now have 7 key elements to protect worker safety.
- OSHA's 7 key elements for safety & health programs include: management leadership; worker participation; hazard identification and assessment; hazard prevention and control; education and training; program evaluation and improvement; and communication and coordination for host employers, contractors and staffing agencies.
- You can find other types of programs and information on OSHA's website [Here](#).

Why should we implement a safety and health program?

- Safety and health programs protect workers before they are hurt, using a proactive process to find and fix hazards.
- Worker injuries and illnesses are not only damaging to workers and their families, they cost a lot in worker's compensation, lost productivity, turnover, workplace morale, and business reputation.
- Safety and health programs have been linked to improved employee recruiting and retention and improvements in product, process and service quality.

What Can We Do Next?

- Visit [OSHA's website](#) to learn how to get your safety and health program started, access tools for continual improvement, see State-specific requirements and other OSHA requirements, and see how others have implemented safety and health programs in various industries.
- Contact OSHA's On-Site Consultation Program for free assistance with establishing and improving safety and health programs for small businesses.
- Check out the website for [Safe+Sound](#), the Campaign for Safety & Health Programs, and sign on as a co-sponsor if you agree that every workplace in America can and should develop, implement and maintain a safety and health program.
- You can also see how much a workplace injury could cost your business- [Safety Pays](#) and other resources.
- Share the wealth. Share OSHA and other resources with others at your workplace and electronically to prevent workplace injuries, illnesses and deaths.

[Download Full Recommended Practices](#)





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ECHA Launches Consumer Chemical Initiative

The European Chemicals Agency is developing a new website for you about the chemicals you come into contact with in your everyday lives, what impact they can have and how to use them safely. Whether you are a concerned parent, a factory worker or a hairdresser, our new website aims to help you make safer and more informed choices and to let you know about hazardous chemicals that are being identified and phased out in Europe.

Please complete this [Short Questionnaire](#) to help us create the kind of website that will be useful for you and your family and friends.

IN MEMORIUM

Philip Toscano & Desmond Waight

Philip Toscano

Former SCHC member, Philip Toscano, of Edison, New Jersey, died unexpectedly on Thursday, July 14, 2016. In July of 2010, he retired from National Starch & Chemical Company in Bridgewater after 39 years of service, approximately 25 of which were spent in Regulatory Affairs covering compliance, compliance system development and hazard communication. Phil was actively involved with the SCHC-OSHA Alliance GHS Fact Sheet sub-committee and did the original formatting of the documents. Many members will remember his positive attitude and kind nature.

Desmond Waight

It is with great sadness that I write to inform you of the death of one of our founders and former Chairman, Desmond Waight. Desmond was widely known and respected by many in the chemical hazards and dangerous goods professions. Motivated by experiences of seeing colleagues and family accidentally exposed to hazardous chemicals, he worked tirelessly for many years to improve the classification and labelling of chemicals and became a leading authority on both the supply and transport regulations. Even after retirement he continued his interest in the subject, indeed, he became busier than ever, and remained active until a few short weeks ago.

He was instrumental in the founding of CHCS, attending the inaugural meeting held at the HSE in London, and volunteering to become the first Chairman of CHCS. I'm sure at the time he did not appreciate how much of his life, and that of his wife, Lindy's, CHCS would take over, as he threw himself into getting the Society off the ground, organising events, recruiting members and committee members, starting the highly successful CHCS Forum, and taking on the running of much of the administration of the Society. CHCS would not be the organisation that it is today without his enormous contribution, for which we are extremely grateful.





IN MEMORIUM (Cont.)

Philip Toscano & Desmond Waight

On a personal note, Desmond was a wonderful mentor, as well as a good friend and colleague to work with. I am sure that I speak on behalf of many of us when I say that he helped us in our careers as chemical hazards and dangerous goods professionals, encouraging our interest, and helping to develop our knowledge of this area through the many training courses and presentations he gave, replies to questions on various forums, and general willingness to answer questions starting with “Am I just being stupid, or” I certainly feel that I would not be where I am today, writing to you as your Chairman, without the support and encouragement that he so freely gave to me and to all those interested in this subject.

Desmond will be greatly missed, but his legacy will carry on through us all, helping to make our workplaces and homes a little bit safer by ensuring that the chemicals we all use in our lives are properly identified, labelled and transported and used safely.

I am sure that you will all join me in sending our heartfelt condolences and sympathy to his wife, Lindy, and to his family.

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Chair, CHCS

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