



The
First
20 Years

A BRIEF HISTORY OF SEHSA

the beginning.....In the late 70's and early 80's, health and safety responsibilities were given to various people in campuses across the SUNY system. As SUNY began to have some informational meetings in Albany, people with these responsibilities began to meet each other. Some met by chance. Some searched for their peers at other campuses in hopes of sharing information. There were several discussions amongst small groups across the state, but a meeting involving Bob Hunt, George Marshall, Warren Corderman, and Vinnie Franconere really got the ball rolling.

That meeting led to a "steering committee" meeting in Syracuse in December of 1989. Vinnie Franconere, Dave Korpan, Paul Altieri, Mark Fairbrother, Art Dallman, Tom Rathbone, George Marshall, Warren Corderman, and Jennifer Watson started planning the first conference (at that time the group was called SESHSA).

Bob Hunt was elected president and Tom Rathbone, who was instrumental in bringing everyone together, was known as the first past president.

That first conference was held in April of 1990 and was a big success. Health and safety professionals from across the state had an opportunity to meet each other face to face, share information, and learn valuable information from the conference programs. It's what we're still about today....20 years later. In this packet is the agenda from that first meeting, and as you look at it you'll notice how little things have changed.

the name.....Originally the group was called SESHSA (SUNY Environmental Safety and Health Association). That soon changed to SEHSA (SUNY Environmental Health and Safety Association) to better reflect the members who were in environmental health and safety (EH&S) departments. It changed again in 2003 when we incorporated to our current name SEHSA (Environmental Health & Safety Association of N.Y., Inc.) That's the official name - for reasons too difficult to explain here - but we're known by most as SEHSA.

the logo.....I'm not sure where the original logo came from, but a contest was held in 2003 to design a logo to go with our new name. Kim Dalton came up with the winning design, and I've included both designs in the packet.

changes along the way.....Many changes have occurred as the organization has grown. And we have grown. From those original few SUNY schools, many of which had a single EH&S person, to now include private institutions and large universities with multiple professionals. In 2001 we had 207 members and in 2005 over 100 organizations were represented and our membership was 304. We've been maintaining those numbers and limit membership to educational institutions within New York State. As we've grown, our by-laws have changed, private colleges are voting members and can hold office. Programs like PDAP have been developed to assist our members with training. Our listserv is a valuable tool many members use. We've incorporated and become a "not-for-profit" organization. Growth can be difficult at time, but we haven't lost sight of our mission. "SEHSA shall advance and champion the highest standards of environmental health and safety on academic campuses within New York State."

the next 20.....From that first conference 20 years ago to this 41st meeting, many people have volunteered their time and expertise to make SHESA what is has become. Let's work together to make the next 20 years as productive (and fun) as the last.

SEHSA

SEHSA Environmental Health and Safety Association of NY,



S E S H A

SUNY ENVIRONMENTAL
SAFETY AND HEALTH
ASSOCIATION

1ST ANNUAL CONFERENCE

UNIVERSITY AT
ALBANY
STATE UNIVERSITY OF NEW YORK

April 10 - 11, 1990

S E S H A CONFERENCE SCHEDULE

Tuesday, April 10, 1990

- 8:00 - 9:00 > Registration / Coffee (LC 3)
- 9:00 - 9:30 > Welcome (LC 3)
- 9:30 - 10:15 > Trenching & Excavation Safety
David Korpan - SUNY Oswego (LC 5)
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- > Radiation Safety for College & University Campuses
Mark Pierro - SUNY Buffalo (LC 6)
- 10:15 - 10:30 > Break (LC 3)
- 10:30 - 11:15 > Unseen Hazards Indoor Air Quality
David Lytle - SUNY Buffalo (LC 5)
- > Organizational Responses to Health Concerns of
VDT Operators
Bonnie Primus Cohen - Human Resources Management Consultant (LC 6)
- 11:15 - 12:00 > Lockout / Tagout
Arthur Dallman - SUNY Buffalo (LC 5)
- > Recycling
Tom Rathbone - SUNY Oneonta (LC 6)
- 12:00 - 1:30 > Lunch Patroon Room, Campus Center
- 1:30 - 2:15 > OSHA's Blood Borne Pathogen Standard
John Marchese - SUNY Stony Brook (LC 5)
- > Causes of Campus Fires
Tom Rinaldi - SUNY Albany (LC 6)
- 2:15 - 3:00 > Hazardous Materials Handling (LC 5)
Eugene Monacell - SUNY Buffalo
- > Fire Codes Relating to Safety Inspections
Brian Rousseau - Office of Fire Prevention and Control (LC 6)
- 3:00 - 3:15 > Break (LC 3)
- 3:15 - 4:00 > Laboratory Safety
Michael Blayne - Health Science Center, Syracuse (LC 5)
- > Driving Safely in the 90's
Mark Dailey - SUNY Albany (LC 6)
- 6:00 - 7:00 > Cash Bar Patroon Room, Campus Center
- 7:00 > Buffet Dinner Patroon Room, Campus Center

S E S H A CONFERENCE SCHEDULE

Wednesday, April 11, 1990

8:30 - 9:00 > Coffee (LC 3)

9:00 - 9:45 > Association Meeting (LC 3)

9:45 - 10:30 > Theater Art / Fine Art Safety
Leonard Borzynski - SUNY Buffalo (LC 5)
> How I Spent My Summer Vacation;
Occupational Safety and Health in China
George Marshall - SUNY Stony Brook (LC 6)

10:30 - 10:45 > Break (LC 3)

10:45 - 11:30 > Confined Space Entry
Sam Murff - Safety and Health, Inc. (LC 5)
> Personal Protective Equipment
Cathy Lipski - SUNY Binghamton (LC 6)

11:30 - 1:00 > Lunch Patroon Room, Campus Center

1:00 - 4:00 > Open Forum - Panel Discussion (LC 6)

Christine Alexander - Counsel's Office, SUNY Central
John Coffey - Physical Plant Support Services, SUNY Central
Marti-Anne Ellerman - Counsel's Office, SUNY Central
James Mancuso - Employee Relations & Personnel Operations, SUNY Central
Bruce McBride - Student Affairs, SUNY Central
Lindo Signorelli - Office for Capital Facilities, SUNY Central
Paul Altieri - Health Science Center / Syracuse
Vincent Franconere - University at Albany, SUNY
Tom Rathbone - SUNY Oneonta
Mark Fairbrother - Institute of Technology at Utica/Rome
Rodney Whalen - United University Professionals

CONFERENCE HISTORY

Conference		Host / Location	Dates
1 st	Spring 1990	SUNY Albany – Albany, NY	April 10-11, 1990
2 nd	Fall 1990	Institute of Technology at Utica/Rome – Utica, NY	October 12-17, 1990
3 rd	Fall 1991	SUNY Albany – Albany, NY	October 15-17, 1991
4 th	Spring 1992	SUNY Oneonta – Oneonta, NY	May 4-6, 1992
5 th	Fall 1992	Binghamton University – Binghamton, NY	October 7-8, 1992
6 th	Spring 1993	SUNY Purchase – Elmsford, NY	May 10, 1993
7 th	Fall 1993	Institute of Technology at Utica/Rome – Utica, NY	October 19-21, 1993
8 th	Spring 1994	Institute of Technology at Utica/Rome – Utica, NY	May 3-4, 1994
9 th	Fall 1994	Institute of Technology at Utica/Rome – Utica, NY	October 17-19, 1994
10 th	Spring 1995	Institute of Technology at Utica/Rome – Utica, NY	June 1, 1995
11 th	Fall 1995	Lake Placid, NY	November 12-15, 1995
12 th	Spring 1996	SUNY Delhi – Delhi, NY	April 25, 1996
13 th	Fall 1996	Institute of Technology at Utica/Rome – Utica, NY	October 15-18, 1996
14 th	Spring 1997	Binghamton University – Binghamton, NY	May 16, 1997
15 th	Fall 1997	SUNY Stony Brook – Port Jefferson, NY	October 21-24, 1997
16 th	Spring 1998	Binghamton University – Binghamton, NY	April 26-27, 1998
17 th	Fall 1998	Buffalo State, Fredonia, University at Buffalo – Buffalo, NY	November 1-5, 1998
18 th	Spring 1999	Ithaca College – Ithaca, NY	April 25-26, 1999
19 th	Fall 1999	Lake Placid, NY	November 7 – 10, 1999
20 th	Spring 2000	Binghamton University – Binghamton, NY	April 10-11, 2000
21 st	Fall 2000	Lake Placid, NY	October 22-25, 2000
22 nd	Spring 2001	Cornell University – Cornell, NY	April 22-25, 2001
23 rd	Fall 2001	Institute of Technology at Utica/Rome – Utica, NY	October 14-17, 2001
24 th	Spring 2002	Rochester Institute of Technology – Rochester, NY	April 8-10, 2002
25 th	Fall 2002	Lake Placid, NY	October 20-23, 2002
26 th	Spring 2003	Genesee Community College – Batavia, NY	April 1-2, 2003
27 th	Fall 2003	Corning, NY	November 17-20, 2003
28 th	Spring 2004	Ulster County Community College – Poughkeepsie, NY	April 26-28, 2004
29 th	Fall 2004	Lake Placid, NY	November 1-4, 2004
30 th	Spring 2005	Binghamton University – Binghamton, NY	April 11-13, 2005
31 st	Fall 2005	Corning, NY	November 14-17, 2005
32 nd	Spring 2006	Hudson Valley Community College - Troy, NY	March 21, 2006
33 rd	Fall 2006	Lake Placid, NY	October 23-26, 2006
34 th	Spring 2007	City University of New York (CUNY) – New York, NY	April 26-27, 2007
35 th	Fall 2007	Joint Conference with CUHWC at Cornell Univ. – Cornell, NY	August 12-13, 2007
36 th	Spring 2008	SUNY Stony Brook – Port Jefferson, NY	April 10-11, 2008
37 th	Fall 2008	Lake Placid, NY	October 19-24, 2008
38 th	Spring 2009	Corning, NY	April 20-21, 2009
39 th	Fall 2009	Saratoga, NY	November 8-12, 2009
40 th	Spring 2010	SUNY ESF -Syracuse, NY	April 19-20, 2010
41 st	Fall 2010	Lake Placid, NY	November 7-11, 2010

HISTORY OF SEHSA OFFICERS

Year	President	Vice President	Secretary	Treasurer
1990-1991	Robert Hunt	Vincent Franconere Warren Corderman	Jennifer Watson	George Marshall
1991-1992	Vincent Franconere	Warren Corderman Paul Altieri	Jennifer Watson	David Korpan
1992-1993	Warren Corderman	Paul Altieri David Korpan	Jennifer Watson	Mark Fairbrother
1993-1994	Paul Altieri	David Korpan Mark Fairbrother	Jennifer Watson	Peter Betley
1994-1995	David Korpan	Mark Fairbrother Peter Betley	Scott Richards	David Miller
1995-1996	Mark Fairbrother	Peter Betley David Miller	Scott Richards	Thomas Rinaldi
1996-1997	Peter Betley	David Miller Thomas Rinaldi	Scott Richards	Connie Corey
1997-1998	David Miller	Thomas Rinaldi Connie Corey	Scott Richards Steve Kozak	Leonard Borzynski
1998-1999	David Miller			
1999-2000	Connie Corey	Len Borzynski	Mary-Lynn Cummings	Mary-Lynn Cummings
2000-2001				
2001-2002				
2002-2003	David Miller	Mary-Lynn Cummings	Maureen Kotlas	Maureen Kotlas
2003-2004	Mary-Lynn Cummings	Maureen Kotlas	Nora Baynes-Duffy	Nora Baynes-Duffy
2004-2005	Mary-Lynn Cummings	Tom Rathbone		Nora Baynes-Duffy
2005-2006	Mary-Lynn Cummings	Nora Baynes-Duffy		
2006-2007				Carlos Rentas
2007-2008	Vinnie Franconere	Ted Murray	Patricia Watt	Mary-Lynn Cummings
2008-2009	Jill Kavoukian	Suna Stone-McMasters	Patricia Watt	John Pavelock
2009-2010	Suna Stone-McMasters	Patricia Watt	Anne Podolak	John Pavelock