

Welcome to the Iranian American Life Science Network Newsletter. This is the first of what we plan to be a quarterly newsletter, informing our members of what is going on with the organization and with the Iranian American community in the life sciences area.

IALSN BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The Iranian American Life Science Network (IALSN) Board of Directors has been meeting periodically for the past year to organize meetings and attend to the business of the organization. The following individuals are members of the Board of Directors. Please feel free to contact any of the individuals on the list with any suggestions you have for improving the organization, or for topics for future meeting.

Officers:

Maryam Famourzadeh (CEO)
Parisa Sohie (CFO)
Sam Tahmassebi (Secretary)
Kambiz Aghili (Agent, Service of Process)
Mehran Moghaddam (Science & Education)

Board Members:

Masood Tayebie
Kourosh Parivar
Vahid Naini
Shawn Mojtahedian

TAX EXEMPT ORGANIZATION

IALSN has been registered as a non-profit, tax exempt organization under both federal and California state tax laws. Our status requires us, that in the event of our dissolution, to transfer our funds to another non-profit institution. The Board of Directors has decided that in case our organization is dissolved, any money left in our bank account will be transferred to St. Jude Hospital.

MEETINGS

We hold two types of meetings: quarterly meetings and educational events.

Quarterly meetings are our regularly scheduled meetings and they are held in March, June, September and December of every year.

We have speakers or panel discussion on topics of interest to the life scientist. Our quarterly meetings provide excellent opportunities for networking, finding new friends, and catching up with the old ones.

Our educational meetings are held at various times during the year. During these meetings, and individual or a company will discuss a new or groundbreaking technical or scientific concept.

MEMBERSHIP

IALSN is a non-profit, non-political, non-religious association dedicated to providing a focused and dynamic forum in which Persian life science professionals can meet, exchange ideas, and build relationships. As such, our membership is open to any Iranian American, or any individual, with a dual interest in the Persian culture and the life sciences.

We encourage everyone to become a member. Our members receive the newsletter on a quarterly basis and are entitled to a discount on the registration fees for our meetings. In addition, our members can access the jobs forum on our website, where they can post or browse resumes. You can find our membership forms on the IALSN website at www.ialsn.org.

Our Board of Directors has decided on the following membership and registration fees for the upcoming year:

Annual Membership:	\$55
Quarterly Meeting	
Online Preregistration:	
Member:	\$35
Non-Member:	\$45
Registration at the event	
Member:	\$40
Non-Member	\$50
Educational Event	
Online Preregistration:	
Member:	\$15
Non-Member:	\$25
Registration at the event	
Member:	\$20
Non-Member	\$30

SPONSORSHIP

Our main source of funds for organizing and delivering our various meetings is the generosity of our various sponsors. The Board of Directors

has provided for three levels of sponsorship as follows:

Platinum Level

Sponsorship of \$1000/event. The sponsorship will include two free event tickets, a 15 minute presentation on the sponsor company, its services and scientific contributions, posting of the company banner at the events, and company logo and link on the IALSN website and newsletter.

Gold Level

Sponsorship of \$600/event. The sponsorship will include two free event tickets and company logo and link on the IALSN website and the newsletter.

Silver Level

Sponsorship of \$300/event. The sponsorship will include one free event ticket and sponsor's name will be listed on the IALSN website and newsletter.

MOVING UP

IALSN is actively pursuing expansion into Orange and LA Counties. Our board members Kambiz Aghili and Shawn Mojtahedian are residents of LA County and Orange County, respectively, and are working diligently to raise the organization's profile and recruit members from areas outside of San Diego County. Please contact them with names of friends or colleagues from LA and Orange Counties who would be interested in joining the organization.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Our next quarterly meeting will be held on

September 19, 2007
6-8 PM
Celgene Signal Research
1st Floor Conference Room
4550 Towne Centre Court
San Diego, CA 92121

The speaker for this event is a successful entrepreneur, Dr. Assad Kazeminy, President of Irvine Pharmaceutical Services. Buffet dinner is catered by Kabob House of Rancho Bernardo. We look forward to seeing everyone at the event.

We encourage those with open positions at their companies to bring a flyer advertising the

position to the meeting. If you are seeking a job, have your resume handy.

EVENT SPONSOR

Our September quarterly meeting is generously sponsored by our Platinum Level sponsor:



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CONTACT

We encourage you to contact any of the board members with your ideas and/or comments. Specifically:

For questions regarding the sponsorship of one of our events, please contact Parisa Sohie at parissas@yahoo.com.

For suggestions for speakers for our meetings, please contact Mehran Moghaddam at mmoghadd@celgene.com.

For announcements or suggestions for the newsletter, please contact Sam Tahmassebi at sam@biotechnologylawgroup.com.

For general comments or questions, please contact Maryam Famourzadeh at mfamourzadeh@hotmail.com.

As always, please check out our website

www.ialsn.org

for the latest news and information.