Safety 2003: Advancing the EH&S Profession

This Is One PDC You Won’t Want to Miss! June 22-25 in Denver

As a practitioner in the SH&E field, you won’t want to miss Safety 2003: Advancing the EH&S Profession, slated to run June 22-25 in Denver. ASSE’s annual professional development conference is the perfect forum for SH&E professionals to learn about the latest strategies and tools needed to expand their knowledge base and to network with experts. Attendees will include professionals such as corporate safety directors and managers, safety service providers, safety researchers and representatives of government agencies such as OSHA and EPA.

Two general sessions and two plenary sessions are scheduled, with renowned speakers such as Howard Putnam, former CEO of Southwest Airlines, and OSHA Administrator John Henshaw. With more than 145 concurrent educational sessions to choose from, the conference will have something for everyone. And new this year, five roundtables will be conducted during which attendees will be able to share their ideas about key issues faced by today’s SH&E professionals.

To see SH&E in practice, conferees can attend one of the informative educational technical tours. And with a location such as Denver, guests of attendees can enjoy a mini-vacation by participating in the many guest tours scheduled this year.

In addition, the expo provides an opportunity to see, explore and interact with more than 300 of today’s industry leaders, and experience the latest tools and techniques through hands-on demonstrations and expo education sessions.

General & Plenary Sessions
Conferees can jump-start their learning experience by attending the general sessions on Monday and Tuesday mornings. On Monday, Putnam will share his perspective as leader of an organization that values business success, and is recognized worldwide for its safety performance. Putnam will offer a timely and important message for SH&E professionals and address their role in the business of the workplace.

In Tuesday’s general session, keynote speaker Andrew Razeghi will challenge the traditional role of safety and speak to the importance of “safety as a competitive advantage.” An innovative thinker, Razeghi will help attendees determine the key issues and challenges facing the professional.

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A Letter from the VP, Council on Professional Development

PDC Is an Important Professional Investment

Attending the Society’s Professional Development Conference is an important investment of your time, money and effort. To get the most from it, you must have an objective in mind. When I attend the PDC, I am looking for something that can change how I do things. The conference allows me to interact with people who face the same challenges and the program helps me to focus on areas that need my attention.

In developing the Safety 2003 program, the PDC Planning Committee focused on creating many opportunities for you to:

• Determine the key issues facing the profession and SH&E professionals.
• Understand the challenges facing the profession.
• Gain insight needed to deal with the issues.
• Obtain new or improved skills to apply to the challenges you face.
• Contribute to the discourse in the profession.

It has been a tough year for SH&E. We’re increasingly expected to justify what we do and how much we contribute to the bottom line. Compliance is no longer enough to justify our budgets. Safety programs are being portrayed on TV programs as anything but professional. More responsibilities are coming our way—like security and emergency response—but not necessarily more resources. It’s a healthy challenge that we all must face. This year, some especially useful elements of the PDC program are designed to help us do just that:

- **Key-issue roundtables.** Share and dialogue with fellow SH&E professionals about a subject of mutual interest.
- **Concurrent educational session tracks.** Management, regulatory affairs, risk management, ergonomics, construction, industrial hygiene, emergency response, environment, career/personal development and others.
- **Special plenary sessions.** OSHA Administrator John Henshaw and Andrew Razeghi, a noted strategic and innovative thinker.

And there’s much more, including many offsite activities. Please join us in Denver in June.

Warren K. Brown, CSP
Vice President, Council on Professional Development
Safety 2003

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The plenary sessions add two more opportunities for attendees to hear from today’s safety and business leaders. Monday afternoon will feature Assistant Secretary of Labor for OSH John Henshaw. As head of the nation’s leading government organization for occupational safety and health, Henshaw will explain his agency’s initiatives and efforts to advance workplace safety and health.

Andrew Razeghi will follow his Tuesday morning general session address with a plenary session workshop that will examine the key strategic issues affecting the profession and focus on getting attendees to “think differently about safety.”

Concurrent Sessions

With more than 145 concurrent educational sessions, this year’s conference features the largest program to date. Session times are slightly shorter, and two additional session periods have been added to provide attendees more choices and opportunities to get the most from the conference. Topics include construction, risk management/insurance, transportation, mining, healthcare, the environment, leadership, management and international issues.

Key-Issue Roundtables

A new addition to this year’s conference, five roundtables on hot-topic areas will be conducted during the concurrent session periods. These sessions will allow attendees to share lessons learned with fellow professionals and to meet with mutual interests. Participants can join the discussion and exchange ideas, challenges and successes in these moderated sessions. Topic areas will be determined by canvassing attendees just before the conference, and will be announced in the final program book.

Exposition

An extensive products-and-services exposition provides an opportunity to see, explore and interact with more than 300 vendors.

New this year, the Expo Education program offers attendees a dedicated opportunity to learn from exhibitors in an educational venue. A theater setting will permit exhibitors to demonstrate and explain how a product or service can provide a solution to a problem.

Now in its third year, Startup Park introduces attendees to some of tomorrow’s safety innovators. This area is exclusively reserved for small, first-time exhibitors who are launching their products at Safety 2003.

Pre-/Post-Conference Seminars

Flanking the conference, one-, two- and three-day pre- and post-conference seminars provide attendees additional opportunities to expand their learning experience, focus on a particular area of interest, prepare for certification exams, or take courses needed to complete one of ASSE’s certificate programs. Topics include fall protection, ergonomics, industrial hygiene, electrical hazards, leadership, training, auditing, risk management, emergency preparedness, environmental exposures, cost analysis, workers’ compensation and fleet safety. For more information on pre-/post-conference seminars, turn to pg. 7.

Denver: Exploring the Mile-High City

Those who have never visited Denver will find a city full of surprises. Within one mile of its lively downtown area, visitors will find three major sports stadiums, a renowned performing arts center, three college campuses, a mint that produces 10 billion coins per year, and a variety of art and history museums. Visitors are also sure to enjoy the many restaurants and night spots located throughout the downtown area.

Technical Tours

This year’s technical tours offer participants an opportunity to see SH&E at work in diverse settings. At the Lockheed Martin Space Systems facility, attendees will receive a historical perspective on rocket building as well as a guided commentary through the Final Assembly Building where Atlas and Titan launch vehicles are prepared for shipping to a launch site. Visitors to the National Renewable Energy Lab will discuss current research on renewable energy sources and energy-efficient technologies. The Coors Brewery tour will provide an in-person perspective on the many hazards faced in a brewery. Participants in the tour of United Airlines’ Flight Training Center will get a glimpse of the world’s largest commercial aviation training center.

For complete program information—and to register for the annual event—visit www.asse.org, or contact ASSE’s Customer Service Dept. at (847) 699-2929. See you in Denver in June!
ASSE’s Annual PDC Continues to Grow & Evolve
Program Responds to Ever-Changing Needs of Dynamic SH&E Profession

By now you’ve seen the brochure, received a broadcast e-mail or downloaded details from ASSE’s website. You’ve seen the wide scope of the concurrent educational sessions, noted the variety of pre- and post-conference seminars, and perused the details about the many technical and guest tours available. All signs point to a great gathering in Denver in June.

How does ASSE continue to improve the conference and develop such a dynamic program? “I think the conference keeps getting better because we’ve listened to the members so much,” explains Richard A. Pollock, CSP, chair of ASSE’s PDC Planning Committee. “More than anything else, we [the PDC Planning Committee] listen to what our attendees and exhibitors have to say, what makes it meaningful for them, then examine the program to see how we can address those needs.”

It’s often been said that the PDC has something for everyone, which is critical in an occupation populated by professionals with diverse backgrounds—both in education and experience. In Pollock’s view, this is one of the many strengths of the conference. “We have the Fundamentals Program for the newer SH&E person, and we also offer quite a bit for the intermediate safety professional, not to mention the executive-level practitioner,” he says. “The goal is to provide a conference that allows the newer person to experience the importance of networking—of building relationships, which I think is the number one thing that people get out of the conference—and also to get hands-on information that they can take back and apply as soon as they return. We are also able to provide information to the executive-level professional—information that challenges their beliefs and allows them to grow as well.”

The committee also works closely with the Society’s 13 practice specialty groups to develop sessions that meet industry-specific knowledge needs. This year’s program features 14 education tracks, ranging from the broad (safety management) to the specific (technical/engineering and standards). “The Planning Committee tries to tie the tracks to the professional needs of attendees,” explains Pollock. “We know that attendees need industrial hygiene and occupational health information, environmental information, management tools, information on fire safety, emergency preparedness.”

And those needs continue to evolve as job demands and expectations change with the marketplace. Keeping up with that evolution is key to the PDC’s continued success. “The environment of the safety professional is changing dramatically,” Pollock says. “Compliance is still important, but more business-related issues are being recognized by our managements.” One ongoing debate concerns management support for safety—and how SH&E professionals can gain that support. “We’ve really tried to focus on what it is that safety professionals need to better communicate—what skills, what knowledge, what understanding,” Pollock states. “The PDC offers the attendees a unique [outlet] to get the information they need to be more effective in their organizations.”

The education doesn’t end with the concurrent sessions. The PDC program features a range of extracurricular educational activities, from offsite technical tours to the exposition and the new Expo Education program. “Real-world, hands-on demonstration and exposure to what’s working and what isn’t working can only help attendees broaden their view of different solutions available to them,” Pollock says of the tours. “Many people are looking for ‘don’t just tell me—show me’ type information and the technical tours deliver it.”

Similarly, the exposition provides attendees an opportunity to seek solutions to specific problems. “Our expo really helps attendees find ways to improve the safety management process. They find real-world information to make SH&E programs better,” Pollock says. That same philosophy led to the development of the Expo Education Program. Under this new initiative, select exhibitors will host sessions that are more technical in nature during which they can talk about the particular problem which their products and services address. “The belief here is that the person who manufactures the machine safeguarding devices, for example, probably knows the application as well as if not better than the people they are trying to sell it to,” Pollock says. “We want to capture some of that knowledge.”

All in all, Safety 2003 in Denver is shaping up to be a conference to remember. “Every year, I learn so much,” Pollock concludes. “This [Safety 2003] is going to be the best conference from a content and opportunity-to-learn perspective that ASSE has ever offered.”

ASSE members often ask how the Society determines where to hold its annual conference. Prospective locations are evaluated based on cost, availability and desirability. “Desirability means it has to be a ‘destination city’,” Pollock explains. “We want the attendee to say, ‘Oh, yeah, I haven’t been there in a while.’” We also try to select a city that both attendees and their families can enjoy. Because many attendees bring their families, there needs to be something of interest and appeal to them. That’s why I think Denver will be a wonderful conference. It has a tremendous number of offsite activities available to the attendees and their families.”

American Society of Safety Engineers
Opportunities in Professional Development

Have an idea, case study, lesson learned—something that’s worked for you? If so, be sure to join the Key-Issue Roundtables at Safety 2003 in Denver. The roundtables are a great place to share and dialogue with fellow SH&E professionals about a subject of mutual interest.

Speak out. A mark of professionalism is presenting your ideas in a professional forum such as an ASSE conference. Consider contributing as a speaker. There are many opportunities—including the annual Professional Development Conference, national symposia, and regional and chapter events. For more information on presenting at Safety 2004 in Las Vegas, NV, see the article below, visit www.asse.org or contact ASSE’s Professional Development Dept. at (847) 699-2929.

Author, Author. Say it and you affect hundreds. Write it and you may affect thousands. Writing an article for Professional Safety is a professional accomplishment. If you have developed extensive expertise in an area of professional practice, consider a book proposal as well (see related story on pg. 6).

Get Involved
The Council on Professional Development (CoPD) is also actively seeking members to participate in various committees, boards and task forces that shape ASSE’s professional development activities. Under the cognizance of the council are the Society’s:

- annual Professional Development Conference;
- education programs including symposia, seminars, workshops and certificate programs;
- technical publications;
- Professional Safety.

Areas in which CoPD is actively seeking participation include:
- Council and committee membership (up to a two-year commitment):
  - Council on Professional Development;
  - Professional Development Conference Planning Committee;
  - Technical Publications Advisory Committee;
  - Editorial Review Board (Professional Safety);
- Task Forces
  - annual management symposium;
  - hot-topic symposia;
  - education needs assessment.

If you are interested in serving the Society and the profession in any of these areas, speak up. You will interact with fellow professionals in determining the critical developmental needs of the profession and in shaping the career development of thousands of SH&E professionals. Contact Warren Brown, ASSE’s Vice President, Council on Professional Development or ASSE’s Professional Development Dept. at (847) 699-2929.

Call for Speakers & Presenters for Safety 2004

Professional Development Conference & Exposition, June 7-10, 2004, Las Vegas, NV

ASSE cordially invites those interested in presenting at its 2004 Professional Development Conference to submit an application for review by the PDC Planning Committee. The objective of Safety 2004 is to give attendees the opportunity to determine the key issues facing SH&E professionals; improve their professional skills and knowledge; and prepare for the challenges in the SH&E field.

Advanced, technically oriented and practical presentations are especially desired. Sessions are evaluated with respect to attendees as follows: basic = two to five years’ experience; intermediate = six to 10 years’ experience; advanced = 10 plus years’ experience; executive = executive-level material. A proceedings of the concurrent educational session presentations is provided to conference attendees, so speakers are expected to submit a paper of their presentation. Details on preparing the proceedings paper is provided upon selection.

To submit a proposal for Safety 2004:
- Complete an application form, which is available at www.asse.org.
- Review for completeness, accuracy and legibility. Sign the form at the bottom.
- Assemble the additional required material with the application form (i.e., presentation description, biographical data and references, brochure description). Refer to the detailed information on the application form.
- Submit the form and required material, postmarked by July 11, 2003, to ASSE-2004 PDC, c/o Director, Professional Development, 1800 E. Oakton St., Des Plaines, IL 60018-2187.
- Notification of the status of applications will be mailed by Oct. 30, 2003.

ASSE’s Book Publishing Process

Have you ever thought about writing a book? It’s a great way to make your expertise in a particular area available to ASSE’s vast audience. As a book publisher, ASSE is always looking for prospective authors—SH&E professionals who have developed expertise in a field that has definite reader interest. For those who might be interested in working with ASSE to publish a book, here’s how the process works.

The first step is to contact Mike Burditt, ASSE’s technical publications manager, at mburditt@asse.org or Chuck Coffin, publishing associate, at ccoffin@asse.org with information about the type of book you have in mind.

If your proposed book sounds like a good candidate for publication, you will be asked to submit a concept proposal that includes a tentative chapter outline along with a short description of each chapter. You will also need to complete a “promoting your book” questionnaire, which asks specific questions about the proposed book’s content, special features, potential markets, possible competition and advertising/marketing possibilities. As part of the proposal process, you will conduct an Internet search of publishers to determine what publications (if any) already address the proposed topic. This helps ASSE design the proposed book so it is distinct from books that may already be available.

The concept proposal will then be presented to ASSE’s Technical Publications Advisory Committee—a group of seven professional members of ASSE who have broad SH&E expertise and knowledge of the publishing industry. Each member writes a review—independently of other members—of the concept proposal. Each review rates the proposal according to a point system, with 50 being the highest possible score and 37.5 the minimum required for approval. Along with the numerical ratings, each reviewer writes a detailed critique and offers constructive suggestions for improvement.

ASSE’s technical publications staff then collects the reviews and determines the committee’s overall decision—to accept or reject the proposal. The results of the proposal review and a summary of review comments are shared with the author. The author may revise a rejected proposal based on the committee’s recommendations and resubmit it, or s/he may simply withdraw the proposal. If the proposal is accepted, the author redesigns the proposal according to the committee’s recommendations and begins to write a draft manuscript.

When the manuscript is completed—hopefully within the next six to 12 months—it is presented to the Technical Publications Advisory Committee for project approval. Again, the committee performs a detailed review and either approves or disapproves of the project. In either case, the committee members again offer specific recommendations for revisions to be made prior to publication.

Following project approval, ASSE offers the author a publishing agreement (contract). Essentially, it states that if the book is completed to the Society’s satisfaction, ASSE will publish and sell the book and pay royalties to the author for each copy sold. The author then makes final revisions to the manuscript. Once these are approved, the book goes into production.

Production—which encompasses copyediting, typesetting, page design, layout, printing and binding—takes three to four months depending on the nature and size of the book. Typically, 18 to 24 months will pass between initial author contact and actual book publication.

Prior to publication, a marketing campaign is initiated. Markets beyond ASSE are explored; publicity reviews are written and submitted to appropriate publications; related organizations are asked to review the book; ASSE’s public relations staff distributes a release to hundreds of potential outlets; and the book may be reviewed in Professional Safety and featured in the advertising supplement published quarterly in the journal.

Now you have some idea of how the process operates. If you are interested in becoming an author, contact ASSE’s technical publications staff at (847) 768-3408 or (847) 768-3425.

GA Reception at PDC

For the first time, ASSE will hold a reception at the PDC for the Society’s chapter governmental affairs chairs. “The idea is to build a sense of awareness that there are, at any given time, about 100 chairs who share many of the same interests and questions in advancing government affairs for their chapters and in their states,” explains Dave Heidorn, ASSE’s manager of government affairs and policy. The event will be held in conjunction with an outreach to OSHA staff at the conference, with the goal of encouraging ideas for partnering and opportunities to mentor OSHA attendees, Heidorn says. For more information about the reception, which will be held Monday, June 23, at 5:30 pm in Room C-208, contact Heidorn at dheidorn@asse.org.
Safety 2003 Offers Pre-/Post-PDC Seminars

Opportunities abound for professional growth at ASSE’s Safety 2003 PDC, June 22-25 in Denver. This year, more than 40 seminars will be held before and after the conference to expand your professional development. These seminars will increase your learning experience, add to your continuing education units and CM points, and extend your networking circuit. Like years past, the number and scope of educational offerings before and after the PDC are designed to meet the career needs of every SH&E professional.

The schedule for 2003 features new topics and others back by popular demand. SH&E professionals seeking a safety management foundation can participate in required courses for the Certificate in Safety Management Program. This year, ASSE is offering Safety Management I and Corporate Safety Management prior to the PDC and Safety Management II following it. If you have taken the required seminars for the certificate, you can complete your electives by attending any of the other 40 seminars on tap.

New titles include: Fundamentals of Risk Assessment; Training Non-English-Speaking Employees; Work Zone Traffic Control; Investigative Photography for Incidents, Claims and Other Safety Issues; Emergency Preparedness; and Strategies to Achieve Safety Excellence.

If you are pursuing a safety designation, several examination preparation workshops will be offered. You can attend the Math Review before and after the PDC. You can also prepare for the CSP exam as a part of the pre-PDC offerings. ASSE has also partnered with the ACHMM to offer the CHMM National Overview Course. Attendees of this seminar will have the option of registering for the national examination that will be offered on June 28, immediately following completion of the seminar. For more information, visit www.asse.org.

Education Credit: A Sign of Excellence

Chapters hosting educational events are encouraged to apply for CEUs and CM points for courses that are at least three hours in length. Attaching CEUs or CM points to your education program enhances its marketability and signifies that the material delivered is valuable to the SH&E profession.

CEUs
ASSE has been designated an authorized provider of CEUs by the International Assn. for Continuing Education and Training (IACET). Individuals who attend ASSE seminars, symposia or the annual conference are eligible to receive CEUs. Education programs offered by ASSE chapters, regions and practice specialties may also qualify for CEUs.

To apply for CEUs, review the application checklist and the IACET criteria checklist, found in ASSE’s Chapter Administration Guide (available at www.asse.org, under the Member & Chapter Services section). First, plan the program. Then, approximately four weeks before the start date, send a cover letter requesting CEUs to ASSE’s manager, education and program development, along with the completed application checklist and IACET criteria checklist. It’s very important to apply for CEUs before the start of the event. CEUs cannot be awarded after the fact. There is no charge to apply, with one exception: If your program is being offered as a partnership with another organization as defined in the guide, you will need to enclose a check for $100.

If your application is complete, ASSE will notify you within two weeks of its receipt. You will also receive a sign-in sheet, which the attendees at your event must sign in order to receive CEUs for attending the program. It is your responsibility to inform attendees that in order to receive the CEUs they must provide the information requested on the sheet. It is also your responsibility to return the sign-in sheet to ASSE so the appropriate number of CEUs can be recorded for each attendee.

CM Points
Certification maintenance (CM) points are also important to SH&E professionals that you serve when providing continuing education or training. Participants with the CIH designation need to maintain this certification and one avenue is continuing education. To obtain CM points for your education events visit www.abih.org and click on “How to Request CM Points for a Meeting” under the Certification Maintenance section.

CoCs
Continuation of certification (CoC) points are important to SH&E professionals who have earned the CSP designation. Each CEU earned is equal to one CoC point.

All chapters should take advantage of the benefits of having education credits awarded to the participants of their continuing education and training events. CEUs are important to your members and the process ensures a meaningful educational effort.
Human Error Symposium Highlights

Nearly 400 SH&E Practitioners Attend Hot-Topic

Symposium in Atlanta

“We know it’s not human error, it’s system error. So design the system to make error impossible, build safety into design.”

That was the advice from Dr. Donald A. Norman, keynote speaker at ASSE’s Human Error in Occupational Safety Symposium, which took place March 13-14 in Atlanta.

The symposium featured 23 speakers and drew a diverse audience of nearly 400, some from as far away as Australia and Puerto Rico. The symposium provided fresh insight into the causes of human error with a focus on the workplace and how to manage occupational safety more effectively through a better understanding of human error (not human behavior). “When it comes to mistakes, we want to find the cause of the problem and place blame. That’s one of the problems,” Norman said. “[Another] problem is that the legal system is designed to find cause and then to punish. It should not be that way. People should not be afraid to report errors. Errors give us data that we use to prevent future accidents. In Japan they reward people for finding errors.”

From forced function to conceptual models, to the influence of culture in human error, attendees found the presentations and the practical solutions helpful, and many plan to incorporate the information into their safety culture.

“We have more than 8,000 employees in Georgia alone. We’re here to learn new ways to improve safety, the new techniques to measure safety performance beyond just looking at the numbers,” said attendee Joe B. Mobley of Southern GEM Group, an energy corporation.

“For years, people pointed fingers when it came to accidents, but we’re changing and we’re here to learn new, practical applications to increase workplace safety,” said ASSE member Harold Hobbs, also of Atlanta-based Southern GEM Group.

In regard to the recent report that workplace fatalities had increased among Hispanic workers, Norman noted that many are ill paid, poorly trained and encouraged to work too fast. “To reduce fatalities and injuries, you need to change the conditions that surround workers,” he said. “The workers are asked to perform in nonhuman ways.”

Before, during and after an accident occurs, companies, industries and SH&E professionals need to look deep into any possible causes. “Don’t fix the problem, fix the source of the problem,” Norman said. “Don’t jump to a solution, ask not just once, but many times what caused the problem. That’s the philosophy behind the five whys system in Japan. You can’t just initiate the solution if you don’t know what the cause is.”

Presenters also discussed how to enhance safety management, how professionals with good safety results should address low-probability risks and the effects of an aging workforce on human error.

ASSE Director of Professional Affairs Dewey Whitmire said, “This symposium provided attendees with knowledge of the human element at every level—management, supervision and the worker level. Safety professionals are students of the workplace and here they learned how to understand elements and potential of human error and how to increase their opportunity for success.” More than 20 audio tapes are available for purchase along with a comprehensive proceedings. Visit www.asse.org.
Certificate in Safety Management

ASSE’s Certificate in Safety Management program consists of three required courses and various electives. To receive the certificate, participants must earn a total of 7.5 CEUs, and all courses must be completed within a five-year period. Earning ASSE’s Certificate in Safety Management is an excellent way to advance your career. For more information, visit www.asse.org or contact ASSE’s Customer Service Dept. at (847) 699-2929.

Executive Program in Safety Management

A certificate from the Executive Program in Safety Management, the most recent addition to ASSE’s Professional Safety Academy, signifies an advanced accomplishment and illustrates a practitioner’s commitment to professional development. Launched in November 2002 in Las Vegas, NV, the program presents SH&E professionals with opportunities for long-term achievement, and is designed to help them demonstrate safety system success and gain a career advantage. The program is intended for experienced SH&E professionals on a fast track in their organization; CSPs and CIHs who need a relevant course of study while obtaining CoCs and CM points; and senior SH&E professionals who want to explore a new avenue of education or who seek a forum with their peers.

Participants receive the certificate after earning a total of 7.5 CEUs for completing three required seminars (4.9 CEUs)—Delivering a High-Performance Safety Management System, Reducing Losses from Occupational Health Risks and Environmental Exposures, and Managing the Business Aspects of a Safety Program—and additional ASSE national seminars or symposia (at least 2.6 CEUs).

The continuing education schedule for 2003 offers several opportunities for participants to complete the required courses. Seminars will be held July 14-18 at the Hyatt Regency Oak Brook (IL) and Oct. 6-10 at the San Francisco Marriott Fisherman’s Wharf.

For more information or to request a brochure about the program, visit www.asse.org; contact ASSE’s Fax-on-Demand at (800) 380-7101; or call ASSE’s Customer Service Dept. at (847) 699-2929.

Recent Recipients of the Certificate in Safety Management

Dwane Anderson, safety manager, The Boeing Co., Seattle
Tony Baker, risk management program coordinator, Carson City, Carson City, NV
Gary Bowser, division safety manager, Frito-Lay Inc., Vancouver, WA
Michael D. Burkoff, safety manager, Odwalla Inc., Jessup, MO
Matthew A. Coni, EHS manager, Lord Corp., Saugertown, PA
David J. Efinger, corporate safety manager, Silgon Container Manufacturing Corp., Woodland Hills, CA
Mark A. Flier, president, Williams Environmental Services Inc., Stone Mountain, GA
Huberta Flerin-Biber, HSEQ advisor, CROSCO Integrated Drilling & Well Services Co. Ltd., Ulica Grada, Vukovara, Croatia
Ken Frederick, risk control technician, Agrium US Inc., Borger, TX
J. Doug Freund, manager, environmental compliance, Steris Corp., Hudson, OH
Jackie Freysinger, safety and workers’ compensation manager, Andersen Logistics, Hummelstown, PA
Matthew T. Fry, safety specialist, New United Motor Manufacturing Inc., Fremont, CA
Susan K. Hanns, corporate safety manager, CSK Auto Inc., Phoenix, AZ
Amy K. Ingalls, facility safety advisor, British Petroleum Exploration, Anchorage, AK
Jonathan A. Jacobi, safety engineer, Philip Morris USA, Chesterfield, VA
William T. Jenkins, manager, safety, Delta Air Lines, Atlanta
Michael R. Kinzel, system safety engineer, Stewart & Stevenson, Sealy, TX
Daniel L. Kerker, safety coordinator, County of Riverside, Redlands, CA
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Ruth A. Miller, safety and federal fire manager, Commander Naval Reserve Forces Command, New Orleans
Kenneth L. Mullens, safety project leader, Florida Power & Light, Plantation, FL
Michael J. Nahas, director, safety and health, Fluidics Inc., Philadelphia
James D. O’Dell, safety and training, City of Mesa Utilities, Mesa, AZ
Kevin M. O’Donnell, safety specialist, Florida Power & Light, Juno Beach, FL
James C. Oswalt, industrial health and safety, U.S. Mint, San Francisco
E. Darrell Palma, HR department specialist, CROSCO Drilling & Well Services Co. Ltd., Ulica Grada, Vukovara, Croatia
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David A. Driver, HSEQ manager, Andersen Logistics, Hummelstown, PA
Jeffrey R. Fine, safety manager, EHS & Operations, St. Fotis, Inc., St. Louis, MO
William C. Parker, general manager and safety and regulatory affairs, APM Terminals, Mt. Pleasant, SC
Sarah Patel, HSEQ professional, ChevronTexaco, Houston
Tina Pineda, safety program specialist, University of Colorado, Boulder
John P. Rheo, corporate safety/quality manager, J.A. Jones Services Group, Charlotte, NC
Daniel T. Riley, safety coordinator, Delta Air Lines, Salt Lake City
Gary Rosenberger, safety and environmental manager, Odwalla, Danville, CA
Alan R. Schroeder, spill response trainer, U.S. Public Health Service, Corpus Christi, TX
Dennis J. Sater, superintendent industrial health and safety, American Energy Generating, Effingham, IL
Myron L. Stark, MS safety director, Dow Chemical, Osaklaoa, IA
Zvonimir Stopfer, HR-training manager, CROSCO Drilling & Well Services Co. Ltd., Ulica Grada, Vukovara, Croatia
Richard Stutzki, safety specialist, 3M, Cordova, IL
Gary Towery, safety manager, U.S. Mint, San Francisco
Colby Charles Turner, safety administrator, Gila Bend, AZ
Steven J. Tusa, regional safety director, Argonaut Insurance Co., Phoenix, AZ
Eric C. Voight, regional safety manager, PSEG Energy Technologies, Swedenboro, NJ
Increase Workplace Safety Awareness During NAOSH Week

The value of worker and workplace safety are the key topics that ASSE will focus on this year during NAOSH Week, which will be observed May 4-10.

Through its first kids’ “Safety on the Job” poster contest and “new worker” communications, ASSE is reaching out to educate the public on workplace safety. Most notably, special efforts are being made to reach the country’s youth. Children who learn about workplace safety at a young age will have an advantage when they enter the workforce.

In addition to orienting new workers to workplace safety, ASSE is providing educational tools detailing how workplaces with active safety leadership have fewer injuries; have more satisfied and productive employees; reduced absenteeism, and lower turnover rates; and experience increased employee morale image.

Help Support NAOSH Week

NAOSH Week is about increasing awareness of the importance of investing in safety programs. It also highlights contributions of SH&E professionals, and reduces workplace injuries and illnesses by encouraging new safety and health activities at all companies.

On April 1, ASSE’s Public Relations Dept. began sending NAOSH Week kits to chapter presidents, chapter newsletter chairs and chapter public relations/affairs chairs; these kits contain information that can be shared with companies, communities, local schools and other appropriate outlets. Like last year, the local media may call on you to speak about NAOSH Week and workplace safety. This kit will have the information you need to respond.

The kit contains: ASSE’s Safety Through the Decades poster, ASSE’s New Workers’ Guide to Workplace Safety; ASSE draft city/state/county proclamation to submit to local towns to consider recognizing NAOSH Week; ASSE regional map with local contact information; ASSE news release on NAOSH Week; new NAOSH Week safety whistle/light key ring; news releases on the winners of the “Safety on the Job” poster contest and the 2003 NAOSH Week poster, featuring the four winning posters.

The materials will also be translated into Spanish to reach a larger audience and to assist the Society’s NAOSH Week partners in Mexico.

Direct questions regarding NAOSH Week to Diane Hurns at dhurns@asse.org; phone (847) 768-3413; Mike Nowak at mnowak@asse.org; phone (847) 768-3404; or Terry Wilkinson at twilkinson@asse.org; phone (847) 768-3420.

[Image of a poster contest entry]

Kids Illustrate “Safety on the Job” Through NAOSH Week Poster Contest

Michael Owen, first-place poster, age group 5-6.

Keith Sneddon, first-place poster, age group 11-12.
NAOSH Week, May 4-10

ASSE’s first-ever kids’ “Safety on the Job” poster contest kicked off Jan. 6, 2003, and wrapped up Feb. 14, 2003. The winning poster from each category will be featured on this year’s NAOSH Week poster. They will also be displayed at ASSE’s annual PDC in Denver. Each winner received a $1,000 savings bond. Two runner-up awards were awarded in each category as well. Visit www.asse.org to view these entries.

Rachel Hunnicutt, first-place poster, age group 7-8.

Jerome Ezra Rhodes, first-place poster, age group 9-10.

NAOSH Week “New Worker” Brochure Offers Helpful Tips

Each year, 70 teenagers die from work-related injuries and 77,000 more are seriously injured while at work. As part of the NAOSH Week kit, ASSE has developed a “New Worker’s Guide to Workplace Safety.” The brochure provides important contact information and some safety tips for young workers. In addition, it includes questions young workers should ask their employers when beginning a new job: “What are the dangers of my job?” “Will I need to wear safety gear?” “Will I receive job safety training?” “Do you have an emergency plan in place and will I be trained in emergency procedures?” It also cautions young workers that among first-time workers, under age 18, muscle sprain, strain or tear is the most frequent type of work injury resulting in lost work time. The brochure will be available in early April. Visit www.asse.org for more information.

ASSE Thanks Des Plaines’s Mayor Arredia for Recognizing NAOSH Week

Dear Mayor Arredia:

ASSE would like to thank you for supporting a Des Plaines proclamation designating May 4-10, 2003, as NAOSH Week in Des Plaines, IL.

ASSE’s members manage, supervise and consult on safety, health, transportation and environmental issues in all industries, government, labor and education. As you know, it is imperative that employers, employees and the general public are aware of the importance of preventing workplace injuries and illnesses. NAOSH Week serves as a tool to educate the public. The reason that millions of people are able to go to work and return home safely every day is due in part to the continued efforts of SH&E professionals, and also because of organizations and companies that realize integrating safety into all aspects of business has a direct positive impact on their bottom line. Once again, we appreciate your recognition and support of NAOSH Week.

Sincerely,

Mark D. Hansen, P.E., CSP
ASSE President 2002-2003
Fred Fortman
ASSE Executive Director

One of the best ways to observe NAOSH Week is for chapters to seek a city/state/county proclamation. Such recognition is a great way to educate the public about the importance of preventing workplace injuries and illnesses.
Recognizing the need for research related to preventing workplace falls, the second-leading cause of on-the-job fatalities, ASSEF recently awarded an $8,300 research grant to Auburn University Ph.D. student Lloyd Robert Wade III of Auburn, AL, who will conduct a study on rooftop balance and fall protection.

Entitled “The Influence of Dynamic Tasks in Roof Work Environments on Balance and Postural Stability,” the research will help determine what types of body motions are most likely to lead to falls from rooftops. To better understand the effects that elevated heights and angled surfaces have on balance and posture, the study will observe—in a controlled environment—workers wearing the proper fall protection equipment while working on a pitched roof. The study will help researchers understand movement from an inclined surface, such as a roof, to a flat surface, such as a ladder or scaffolding. This knowledge will be used to develop proper safety measures and engineering controls to reduce falling hazards.

UPS Donates $35,000 to ASSEF to Fund Several College Scholarships

The United States Parcel Service (UPS) Foundation recently donated $35,000 to the ASSE Foundation (ASSEF) for occupational safety and health scholarships. “UPS is proud to partner with ASSEF in providing college scholarships to students in the field of occupational safety and health, and also with their mission of helping ensure the safety and well being of all workers everyday,” says Keith Jones, UPS corporate health and safety manager.

The UPS Foundation’s donation will provide up to six scholarships of $5,250 each for its traditional undergraduate program for juniors and seniors pursuing a degree in occupational safety and health, and for the UPS Diversity Scholarship Program for minority students in the field of occupational safety and health. This gift reflects a 40-percent increase over UPS’s contribution last year. The UPS Foundation has donated a total of $156,250 to ASSEF since 1996, providing funds for 29 scholarships.

Founded in 1951, the Atlanta-based UPS Foundation identifies specific areas where its support will clearly impact social concerns. UPS is the world’s largest express carrier and package delivery company, serving more than 200 countries and territories with 360,000 employees nationwide.

Bechtel Foundation Donates $10,000 to Establish Scholarship

New Program Targets Students Pursuing Careers in Construction Safety

Bechtel Foundation recently donated $10,000 to the ASSEF, establishing a new college scholarship for occupational safety and health students. Each year, the Bechtel Foundation Scholarship Program for Safety and Health will award $3,000 to an undergraduate student pursuing a career in construction safety or a related occupational safety and health field.

“We applaud Bechtel for helping establish this scholarship program, which will aid future generations of construction safety professionals in the continued quest for building a safer workplace,” says ASSEF Chair Karl Jacobson.

The first scholarship will be offered to students this fall and will be awarded during ASSE’s 2004 PDC in Las Vegas, NV. Applicants must be full-time students pursuing a B.S. in Occupational Safety and Health with an emphasis on construction safety or a related field. Applicants must be ASSE student members with a 3.2/4.0 GPA in good academic standing, and be recommended by a safety faculty member. Scholarship application forms and guidelines will be available Sept. 1, 2003, at www.asse.org/foundat.htm.

Founded in 1898, Bechtel is one of the largest engineering and construction firms, with 50,000 employees working on nearly 1,000 projects worldwide. The Bechtel Foundation has been responding to community needs around the world for nearly half a century, providing $2.3 million in grants to nearly 300 nonprofit organizations in 2002.
ASSEF Seeks Research Grant Proposals

The ASSE Foundation is seeking proposals for its research grant program. ASSEF will award up to $10,000 to a safety and health researcher(s) to conduct applied research that will enhance management performance in reducing workplace injuries and illnesses.

The goal of the program is to fund research that will determine and develop innovative methods or systems for advancing safety and health systems and methods to help SH&E professionals mitigate workplace injury and illness risks.

Submissions on the following topics are particularly welcome; however, other topics will be considered:

- Effective interventions for prevention of traumatic injuries.
- Criteria to measure risk control effectiveness.
- “Proactive” incorporation of risk-control principles in early design of facilities, processes and management systems.
- PPE for emergency response, especially new technologies in assuring effective use of respirators.
- Fall protection equipment anchorages based on research into acceptable solid anchorage systems.
- Effective mooring points based on proven technologies.
- Scaffolding supporting system integrity study based on weather, aging and maintenance frequency.
- Foreign language issues that impact safety in workplaces and effective methods to minimize such impacts in different companies.
- Effective programs or systems to effectively minimize backing accidents in mining and/or construction industries.

Applications will be evaluated by the degree to which the described activity meets the following criteria:

- Measurability of results/outcomes;
- Efficient use of resources;
- Well-defined target population;
- Transferability to other work environments;
- Validation process;
- Minimal use of surveys/questionnaire;
- Originality of proposal;
- Value of results of the research (use and/or application).

For more information and to download an application, visit www.asse.org/foungrnt.htm#research, or contact Mary Goranson, Foundation manager, at mgoranon@asse.org. Applications are due no later than April 14, 2003.

ASSEF Silent Auction to be Held in Denver

The ASSE Foundation will present its 9th Annual Silent Auction*, June 22-25, in Denver, in conjunction with the Society’s 2003 PDC & Exposition. You can help the Foundation succeed in its mission to enhance the long-range future of the SH&E profession by donating an item for auction. Specifically, the Foundation is seeking:

- PDA/handheld computer;
- Autographed sports items;
- Gift certificates to restaurants/hotels;
- Mini-vacation or weekend getaway packages;
- Tickets to sporting events;
- Theater tickets;
- Computer software;
- Airline tickets;
- Coach briefcase or handbag;
- Subscription to an “item of the month” club (e.g., wine, beer, coffee, seafood);
- Luggage set;
- Golf accessories;
- Items from a popular home furnishings catalog (e.g., Crate & Barrel, Pottery Barn);
- Spa gift certificates (e.g., Estée Lauder).

To make a contribution, complete and fax an “Item Donation Form” to Mary Goranson, Foundation manager, at (847) 296-3769. Do not send any items to ASSE headquarters. The high bidder will contact the person listed on the form to claim the item. Donation forms are due by May 30. To obtain a form, visit www.asse.org/founfund03.htm.

*Proceeds from this event help fund the Foundation’s scholarship and research programs.

ASSE Encouraged by OSHA’s Enforcement Plan for Recalcitrant Employers

“Encouraged.” That’s how ASSE responded to OSHA’s recent announcement that it will increase enforcement efforts against employers who flagrantly expose their workers to serious safety and health hazards and consistently defy occupational safety and health regulations. However, the Society cautions that this will be a daunting challenge and that success in this initiative will require wide cooperation from the safety community. “The unacceptable problem of these ‘bad actor’ employers, like those documented in the recent PBS Frontline/New York Times series ‘A Dangerous Business’ on worker safety, is long-standing,” states ASSE President Mark D. Hansen, P.E., CSP. “[This] is an encouraging development. . . . But this is not a simple problem. . . . It will take a strong commitment from both OSHA and the private sector to deal fully with the problem.”

Society Lauds OSHA’s Efforts to Encourage AED Use

In a recent letter to OSHA, ASSE commended the agency for encouraging employers to equip their workplaces with automated external defibrillators (AEDs). Experts estimate that for each minute which passes between the onset of a heart attack and the administration of an electrical shock from a source such as an AED, survival chances decrease by 10 percent. “Given that most Americans spend at least one-third of their day working, investment in an AED . . . has the potential of saving a significant number of lives,” the Society said. “The more that is known about this affordable lifesaving technology, the better the chance workers who suffer cardiac arrest on the job will survive.”
Region VIII Adds New Section & Student Section

The New England Area of Region VIII recently approved the formation of the Green Mountain State Section as part of the Worcester County Chapter. Section officers are Holly J. Johnson, CSP, Chair, and David A. Attig, Secretary/Treasurer.

In addition, Region VIII’s Keystone Area recently approved formation of the Penn State University Student Section within the Central Pennsylvania Chapter. Section leaders are Joel M. Haigh, Ph.D., P.E., CSP, CIH, Faculty Advisor, and four officers: Mary Guida, President; Jarrett Heitzman, Vice President; Brian Neill, Secretary; and Thomas Torchia, Treasurer. ASSE now has 55 sections and 65 student sections.

ASSE Improves Member Benefits

Disability Income Plan

Premium Credit

Members insured in ASSE’s disability income plan as of April 30, 2003, will receive a premium credit of 30 percent of their premium due for the policy year May 1, 2003, through April 30, 2004. This credit will effectively lower the annual premium by 30 percent, thereby reducing the cost of coverage for eligible insured members.

In addition, the plan has been upgraded. Beginning at age 61, participants now have the guaranteed right to convert their disability income plan to a long-term care insurance plan. No health questions or medical exams are necessary to qualify.

For more information on any of ASSE’s group insurance plans, contact Marsh Affinity Group Services, ASSE Group Insurance Program, P.O. Box 9186, Des Moines, IA 50306; (800) 424-9883.

Group Program Saves Members on Insurance

ASSE members can save $300 or more a year with Liberty Mutual’s Group Savings Plus home/auto insurance. Program members can reduce insurance costs by taking advantage of the group buying power that is a benefit of ASSE membership.

The program features:
• group discount of up to 10 percent off competitive auto and home insurance rates;
• additional savings based on factors such as the applicant’s age and level of education;
• convenient payment plans;
• rates guaranteed for 12 months;
• 24-hour claims service and emergency roadside assistance.

For a free coverage evaluation and rate quote, call (800) 225-8281.

Gulf Coast Chapter & Partners Bring Safety to Schools

Under a new partnership, the Gulf Coast Chapter (GCC) is working with local OSHA and Houston Independent School District (HISD) personnel to bring safety and health training to the high-school classroom. Volunteers are teaching high-school students enrolled in Career and Technology Education (CATE) programs at 23 HISD schools; these programs include agricultural science technology; art, communication and media technology; business and marketing technology; health science technology; human development, management and services careers; industrial and engineering technology; and personal and protective services technology. According to GCC, the program goals are to:
• reduce the number of injuries and illnesses among young workers by educating them about safety and health issues and child labor laws;
• make the next generation of employees knowledgeable of how to keep themselves and their coworkers safe before they enter the workforce;
• increase awareness among students about careers in the SH&E field.

The groups are also working to develop continuing curriculum for each CATE program. “Our goal is to form an ‘Adopt a School’ program where volunteers can develop an ongoing relationship with HISD teachers to act as technical resources, teach safety and health in the classroom, and help provide ideas and contacts for field trips for the students,” explains Cindy Lewis, GCC President. As part of the project, the Texas Engineering Extension Services will also work with the students to pilot a new software training program and will conduct train-the-trainer courses in safety for teachers.

To learn more about the program, contact Lewis at cindy.lewis@halliburton.com; OSHA’s Kelly Knighton at kelly.knighton@osha.gov; or OSHA’s Mark Briggs at mark.briggs@osha.gov.
ASSE Honor Roll

ASSE's Honor Roll is now a featured element of Society Update. Monthly listings are also available online.

President's Council • Members who have sponsored 30 or more new members since May 1, 1981.

Acadiana: Gene Barfield (540)  
Alaska: Kenneth M. Burns (63)  
Arizona: Jitendra C. Patel (67), David L. Bellmont (32), William C. Ray (36)  
Ark-La-Tex: Ray A. Tabor (63)  
Bakersfield: Frank V. Malquist (35)  
Bayou: Herbert A. Theriot (39)  
Central Illinois: Edmund T. Dorner (73), Tref W. Schultz (75)  
Central Indiana: Jesse L. McDaniel (48), Earl H. Blair (32)  
Central New York: Robert N. Andrews (38)  
Central Pennsylvania: Mark S. McGahan (113)  
Central Texas: Delmar E. Tall (58)  
Chesapeake: Jeffrey D. Meddin (52)  
Coastal Bend: Braxton R. Routh (132)  
Colonial Virginia: H.D. Garrett (62)  
Colorado: Stephen J. Force (42)  
Columbia-Willamette: Fred R. Caron (60)  
Connecticut Valley: Frank Tieti (44)  
Delmarva: Michael A. LeCompte (58)  
Eastern Carolina: Oscar A. Paredes (35)  
Fort Worth: James “Skipper” Kendrick (162)  
Georgia: James E. Roughton (46)  
Golden Circle: Nick R. Nanney (38)  
Gr. Baton Rouge: Alex F. Jabour (32)  
Gr. Detroit: Debra A. Taylor (43), Darryl C. Hill (89), Gary A. Higbee (51), Thomas L. Bradburn (33), Frank M. Cleary (74)  
Gr. Tidewater: Charles R. Adams (34), John W. Dickens (45)  
Gulf Coast: Donnie G. Willmann (65), Michael W. Thompson (41), Danny R. Pack (65), James G. Jeter (31), Joel N. Tietjen (64)  
Hawaii: John C. Ramos (38)  
Heart of America: Kathleen S. Zents (38), Robert Semonisck (53)  
Kitty Hawk: Warren K. Brown (42)  
Kuwait: Ujwal Ritwik (45)  
Lansing: Larry A. Brown (30)  
Los Angeles: John A. O’Toole (87)  
Lower Columbia Basin: Richard A. Spivey (35)  
Metropolitan: James C. Bifulco (52)  
Middle East: Don E. Evans (60)  
Middle Tennessee: Harold F. Polston (51)  
Midnight Sun: Joe S. Adams II (46)  
Mississippi: Dennis K. Blackledge (47)  
Mobile: Frank C. Daniels (68)  
National Capital: Richard L. Holdcraft (40)  
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Northeastern Illinois: Melanie K. Javins (39)  
Ohio: Rene E. Hillemann (45), Thomas Choinski (65)  
Orange County: Arthur D. Shenoi (42)  
Paso del Norte: Helmut W. Paschold (69)  
Philadelphia: Alan K. Smith (37), William T. McGrath (108)  
Puget Sound: WB. Kelley (52)  
Quad Cities: Michael W. Smeaton (38)  
Sacramento: Jack Kastoff (104)  
Savannah: Miles M. Pinckney (30)  
Southern Missouri: Johnnie L. Campbell (33), John S. Fleming (52)  
St. Louis: Arthur C. Hardy (63)  
Statenile: Edward P. French (239)  
Tarheel: Carlyle H. Hill (31)  
Tulsa: Wayne D. Jones (58)  
West Florida: Fred F. Fleming (54)  
Wisconsin: Thomas C. Abts (31), Jack H. Dobson Jr. (39)  

President’s Circle • Members who have sponsored 4 or more new members since April 1, 2003.

Acadiana: Gene Barfield (5)  
Arizona: David L. Bellmont (6), David M. Howard (4)  
Ark-La-Tex: Ray A. Tabor (83)  
Bakersfield: Frank V. Malquist (35)  
Bayou: Herbert A. Theriot (39)  
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Wisconsin: Thomas C. Abts (31), Jack H. Dobson Jr. (39)  

Colorado: Patricia M. Ennis (4)  
Columbia-Willamette: Timothy J. McDonald (4)  
Connecticut Valley: David R. Gelquist (5)  
Eastern Carolina: Oscar A. Paredes (4)  
Egyp: Said M. Khalifa (5)  
Fort Worth: James “Skipper” Kendrick (6)  
Four Corners: Tom J. Hudson (4)  
Georgia: James E. Roughton (4)  
Gold Coast: Gregory S. Thompson (4)  
Great Plains: Doris A. Burns (4)  
Gr. Detroit: Darryl C. Hill (11)  
Gulf Coast: Lonnie P. Pen (5), Michael W. Thompson (11)  
Kuwait: Ujwal Ritwik (10)  
Long Island: David Krugman (8)  
Metropolitan: Theodore J. Mellard (7), Ralph D. Short (7), James C. Bifulco (9)  
New Jersey: Joseph M. Schwed (4)  
New Mexico: Grandon L. Goertz (4)  
Niagara Frontier: Guy M. Zaczek (4)  
Piedmont: Stanley R. Meese (7)  
Stateline: Jeffery A. Lindstrom (5)  
Triad: Diana M. Pressmann (5)  
West Florida: Charles R. Shelton (4)  

CCHEST Elects Officers for 2003

The Council on Certification of Health, Environmental and Safety Technologists (CCHEST) Board of Directors elected its officers for 2003. Officers include: Patrick Conroy, OHST, CHST, Hawaii Chapter member, president; Kenneth D. Sheffield, OHST, ASSE’s Georgia Chapter, vice president; and Adrian Hertog, CSP, OHST, a professional member of ASSE’s Heart of America Chapter, secretary/treasurer. The president and vice president serve one-year terms, while the secretary/treasurer serves a two-year term. In addition, Robert A. Ross, a professional member of ASSE’s Florida Suncoast Chapter, was named a new director on the 2003 CCHEST Board, elected by American Board of Industrial Hygiene (ABIH).

Conroy begins his second three-year term on the CCHEST Board. He is vice president of risk control service at King & Neel Inc. in Honolulu.

Sheffield will complete his first three-year term this year. Elected by ABIH, he is currently an SH&E supervisor for Solvay Pharmaceuticals where he supports research and development facilities at the corporate office in Marietta, GA, and the manufacturing operations in Baudette, MN.

Hertog is beginning his second three-year term on the CCHEST board. He is the safety manager for the Burlington Northern Santa Fe Railway, Kansas Div.

Ross is a senior loss prevention consultant for Public Risk Management of Florida. He has more than 17 years’ experience in safety and health. He has held positions in industrial hygiene, loss control and environmental safety and health.
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Alabama: Albert R. Grant
Arizona: Kenneth E. Lewis
Arkansas: David A. Nigus
Audubon: Robert L. Rickenbaugh, Thomas L. Redmon
Bakersfield: Chris R. Vochoza, Jack R. Iriart, Kirk A. Zwicky
Cape Canaveral: Gordon M. Bowling
Cascade: Robert M. Bryant
Central Indiana: Chris A. Harris, Jim Thornton
Central New York: Henry L. Hedges
Central Ohio: Stephanie Helgerman-McKinnon
Central Pennsylvania: Kenneth L. Grace
Central Texas: Delmar E. Tally
Chattanooga Area: James G. Moore
Chesapeake: Patricia C. Raven
Colonial Virginia: Clayton T. Forehand, James A. Calvert, Larry B. Reynolds, Chas K. Driggers
Columbia-Willamette: Chris A. Carlson, John R. Remmers, Al S. Klassiski, Richard F. Fabbro
East Tennessee: James A. Bolden
Eastern New York: James L. Albert
Egypt: Ahmed A. Abdelmoata
Golden Circle: Nick R. Nanney
Great Plains: Barbara Froistad, John M. Hauser
Gr. Boston: Keith R. Barrows, John P. Spath
Gr. Calumet: Dean R. Larson
Gr. Chicago: Robert A. Riley, Robert J. Kral, Marion M. Synowiec
Gr. San Jose: Tyler Q. Nguyen
Gr. Tidewater: John B. Rasmussen, John W. Dickens
Gulf Coast: Jody L. Jackson, Larry R. Phillips, Michael K. Betts, Charles B. Rouse, Michael Narvaez
Hawaii: Jennifer K. Shishido
Int'l: Felix E.K. Nakpodia
Kuwait: Manda N. Murthy, Gaslapati Ashok, Rajeev L. Pandey
Long Beach: Daniel M. Gibbon, Frank E. Wentz
Long Island: John J. Ellerkamp, Christopher E. Hubert
Los Angeles: John A. O’Toole, Jay W. Preston
Louisville: Jonathan K. White
Low Country: Jane E. Lyons
Metropolitan: John D. Trapani, Barbara J. Athey, Frank C. Zakrocki
Middle Tennessee: Lydia M. Smith, Lawrence L. Carter, Harold F. Polston
New Jersey: Joanne M. Kreisberg
New Mexico: David N. Hill, Frank E. Perez, Peter J. Salde
Niagara Frontier: Thomas M. Weisbeck
North Carolina: Eugene F. White, Maria T. Holmes
Northeast Iowa: Marlys J. Nelson
Northeast Tennessee: Hollie E. Williamson
Northeastern Pennsylvania: Christopher A. Brzezchek, Robert H. Jones Jr., Donald R. Newell
Northwest: Thomas Choinski
Oklahoma City: Clayton F. Abernathy
Orange County: Sharon D. Llewellyn, Phillip A. Combest, Christopher A. Gaylord
Paso del Norte: Robert L. Lassiter
Permian Basin: Sharon E. Callaway
Piedmont: Jeffery D. Cooper
Puget Sound: Stewart D. Morris
Sacramento: Trina L. Caton
San Francisco: Wade K. Obermann, David G. Bascom, Michael K. McCray, Marilu G. Perfetto
Savannah: E. Stewart Martin
Snake River: Earnest F. Harper
South Florida: Colleen Dalton, Stephen M. Gottlieb
Southern Nevada: Ovide V. Elwell, Larry E. Mundy, Wayne E. Matherly
Southwest: Daniel M. Saddler
Southwestern Ohio: Patrick J. Cook
St. Louis: Charles C. Patton
Tarheel: Kevin F. Gribbin, James D. Lamm, Charles W. Cunard
Tennessee Valley: Michael S. Voss
Three Rivers: Kent Harvey, John G. Feller
Tulsa: Stephen A. Boone
Valley Coastal: David A. Watts
Western Pennsylvania: Richard A. Schultz
Western Wyoming: Michael C. McQuiston
Wichita: Scott D. Anderson, Greg R. Johnston
Wisconsin: Nicholas Young
Worcester County: Michael A. Alberts
Wyoming Centennial: B. Baxter Haley

Leslie Receives CHST Certification
Joseph W. Leslie, a professional member of ASSE’s Greater Detroit Chapter, has been named to OSHA’s Crane and Derrick Negotiated Rulemaking Advisory Committee. Ritchie is employed at The St. Paul Companies, Bastrop, TX. The committee will negotiate issues associated with the development of a proposed revision of the existing cranes and derricks standards.

ASSE Launches 2003 Membership Recruitment Challenge
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