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SAVE THE DATES
UPCOMING GREATER CHICAGO
CHAPTER MEETINGS

DECEMBER 14, 2004
JANUARY 11, 2004



REMEMBER TO VISIT OUR WEBSITE
AT:
WWW.ASSECHGO.ORG
OR LINK TO US FROM THE
NATIONAL WEBSITE AT:
WWW.ASSE.ORG

MARION KELLY TO PRESENT AT THE NOVEMBER 9, 2004 CHAPTER MEETING HOLIDAY FOOD SAFETY

Marion Kelly is back by popular demand. Last year she presented an outstanding presentation on the Dirty Dozen. This month, Ms. Kelly will provide us with an interesting look at Holiday Food Safety. We may be looking at our food a little bit differently this year.

Ms. Kelly is a Professor of Biology in the Department of Natural Science at Prairie State College in Chicago Heights, IL. She has a MS in Biology from the Illinois Institute of Technology with a BS in Medical Technology from Marquette University. Marion Kelly has 15 successful years of science teaching experience at the college level. She has extensive training in the medical

laboratory including: hematology, chemistry, blood bank, immunology, and microbiology. On campus she enjoys working with the International Intercultural committee, and has been an exchange teacher in the Netherlands. She is an advocate of undergraduate student research and enjoys prairie restoration.

(708-867-4641). Directions: From Downtown, take I-90 West (toward O'Hare) to Harlem Avenue, exit South. Go approximately 3 miles to Lawrence, turn right (West) - on left side of street, about 1 block.

Advanced Registration: \$20

At the Door: \$25

Retired Members: \$10

Meeting Information:

- Registration: 11:30am
- Luncheon: 12:00pm
- Presentation: 1:00pm
- Executive Mtg: 2:00pm (all are welcome to attend)

Cucina Biagio Restaurant, 7313 W. Lawrence, Harwood Heights, IL

RSVP by calling 773-894-7065 and leaving a message that includes your name, company name, number of attendees and phone number.

See you in NOVEMBER!

ASSE MEMBERS TO BE RECOGNIZED



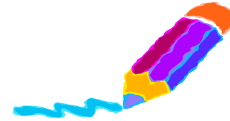
Congratulation to the following members for their years of service as members of the American

Society of Safety Engineers: We will be recognizing their achievements at our Annual Holiday Luncheon in December, please join us. More information to come.

David Berg—25yrs, Ronald Lobodzinski— 25yrs ,Jim Smith—25yrs, Ray Strom— 25yrs, Lawrence Oldendorf— 40yrs , Marshall Peterson— 50yrs, James Smirles— 50yrs.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

By: Al Borzych



"You Never Call. You Never Write. We Don't See You Anymore. Why? You Pay Your Dues...."

That was the start of a letter I received from my Alumni Association recently

As Chapter President, I would like to deliver the same message to all our members.. What can we do better to serve your needs? I'm willing to listen but I can't hear you unless you speak up. Write me, call me or stop by at a meeting. This is our Chapter; let's "All" make it work.

This year's speakers are energetic and will cover a wide range of topics. We are looking into alternating meeting sites allowing for more accessibility for our downtown members. We are offering combined meetings to be held with other Chapters and Organizations.

Giving back to our members is an "Executive Committee Goal" this year. Come on out and see what's in store.

Al Borzych, Greater Chicago Chapter, President

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UPCOMING NATIONAL TRAINING SCHEDULES

Start planning your safety training needs for 2005 with ASSE's quality educational events. The 2005 schedules and brochures are now available.

Safety Training Symposium & Expo - November 11-12, 2004 in Scottsdale, AZ

There is still time to register for this intensive training experience

where you will learn techniques for faster, better and more cost effective safety and health training.

Seminar Fest 2005 - February 13-19, 2005 in Las Vegas, NV

46 seminars offering technical, management and skill development topics for the

SH&E professional.

This event is a great way to earn your COCs, CM, or CMP points.

Visit the ASSE website for more details on these and other upcoming training seminars at: www.asse.org.

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SCHEDULE

GREATER CHICAGO CHAPTER... Member in the News



MEMBER REVIEWS BOOK

Reach back for the July 2004 edition of Professional Safety and check out the book review provided by Linda G. Rhodes, CSP - a Greater Chicago Chapter member and Past Chapter President. The book is enti-

tled "The Blame Machine," was written by R. B. Wittingham, and is available through ASSE's Technical Publications Department. For more books available through ASSE, log on to www.asse.org—Publications and Standards section.

CONSULTANTS TECHNICAL CONFERENCE CALL SPONSORED BY NATIONAL ASSE

National ASS will be having a call geared for those in SH&E consulting or are considering getting into the business. The topic of the call is **"Taking Your Consulting Business to the Next Level."**

We believe this event is significant to SH&E professionals since the number of independent consultants continues to grow. We have also heard from a number of members in the Consultants Practice Specialty requesting that we offer such an event via our conference call process.

As you are aware we have had success with our technical audio conference calls. Our goal is to offer solid technical information in conjunction with a quality presentation. ASSE is hosting this program featuring a technical conference call on **December 9, 2004 from 11:00 am to 12:30 pm CST**. The speaker for the event will be Aldonna Ambler, nationally known and respected as a growth specialist for business and industry. Aldonna is a high-powered quality speaker who we believe will give a

quality and insightful program. In addition to Aldonna, attendees will receive several papers and articles relating to consulting in the SH&E profession and an audio CD-ROM of the call. As you can see this is a heck of a deal for those of you interested in getting ideas and insights to build your SH&E consulting practice. If you would like to participate please contact our Customer Service Department at 847/699-2929 or visit our website at: www.asse.org.

STEPS TO A HEALTHIER UNITED STATES WORKFORCE

American Society of Safety Engineers

*Sponsor of the NIOSH Symposium -
Steps to a Healthier US Workforce*

October 26-28 in Washington, DC

Integrating worker healthy lifestyle promotion with NIOSH's mission of protecting and improving working conditions and work environment. The American Society of Safety Engineers is the oldest and largest professional safety organization and, for the last 93 years, has provided necessary knowledge and resources to help its members succeed in their commitment to reducing workplace injuries and deaths and property and environmental losses.

ASSE is uniquely qualified to help spearhead the National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health's "Steps to a Healthier US Workforce" and to help encourage the culture change we hope organizations will undertake to meet the "steps" program's intent to integrate workplace safety and health with health and wellness in workers' personal lives.

ASSE members create and manage proven world-class safety systems and can easily apply similar systems to bringing about positive lifestyle changes for workers in any organization. ASSE members know the fine line exists between a safe and healthy workplace and a safe and healthy life outside work. Safety and health at work and at home are rarely achieved separately. Encouraging healthy and fit lifestyles of workers needs to take a more pronounced role in organizations' efforts to achieve safe and healthy workplaces.

"Current trends in health care costs are unsustainable. The "disconnect" between worker safety and worker health and fitness can no longer be ignored."

Regular exercise, healthful eating, access to mental health and addiction resources, and consistent relationships with family health care providers should be seen as important elements in helping workers achieve their best, as should limiting the risks of injuries and illnesses that occur at home through easily overlooked but easily achieved and inexpensive strategies like seat belt use, bike helmets, smoke and carbon monoxide detectors, and awareness of house-

hold chemical risks.

The issues involved are many. Meeting the needs of an increasingly sedentary and aging workforce is necessary. So is finding ways to manage the impact of the current workers compensation and health care delivery challenges. As NIOSH Director John Howard stated before the recent ASSE Safety 2004 PDC in Las Vegas, "Current trends in health care costs are unsustainable." The "disconnect" between worker safety and worker health and fitness can no longer be ignored.

ASSE will stand behind its members engaged in bringing closer together worker safety and health and worker fitness and will do what it can to encourage and support changes necessary to bring about greater expanded understanding of this vital link in advancing overall well-being of Americans at work.

Helping lead this effort for ASSE's members are Fred Drennan, Maureen Johnson and Jim Ramsay. Any questions or comments, let Dave Heidorn know at dheidorn@asse.org or 847/768-3406.

**WATCH FOR INFORMATION
ON THE NATIONAL ASSE'S
RISK MANAGEMENT
SYMPOSIUM**



**COMING MARCH 2005
IN SAN DIEGO, CA
More details to follow!!!**

**THE LATEST IN EHS
FROM ASSE GOVERNMENTAL
AFFAIRS**

Starting in December, we will be providing the latest recaps of governmental affairs issues with each newsletter.

If you would like to get immediate email updates of the full text, please contact Todd Macumber, our Governmental Affairs Chairperson. He will add you to the email distribution of all of the latest recaps for both State and Federal, as they are made available.

Email: Todd.A.Macumber@marsh.com

GREATER CHICAGO CHAPTER

NEEDS IDEAS AND VOLUNTEERS !!!!

In order to serve the needs of our chapter, we need volunteers and ideas from everyone...

HOW CAN I GET INVOLVED?

Just contact our current Chapter President, via voicemail or email.

DOES IT TAKE A LOT OF TIME?

Volunteering can mean anything from helping on a committee to soliciting articles for the newsletter, or helping on a specific project. We take all types of volunteers, attending meetings is not mandatory for volunteer commitment.

WHO DO I CONTACT?

Al Borzych, ASSE Greater Chicago Chapter President or any other Executive Committee Member (see front page of newsletter)

UPCOMING OPPORTUNITY:

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

The Greater Chicago Chapter of ASSE would like to put on a One-Day PDC for our members in early 2005...We are looking for ideas, speakers and as always...volunteers to put this together...Please contact our Chapter President if you can offer any of the above.

AWARDS AND HONORS FOR THE GREATER CHICAGO CHAPTER



Las Vegas, NV – (left) Maribeth Anderson, Greater Chicago Chapter President 2002 – 2003 receives the Chapter Achievement Award from Jack Dobson, Sr. VP, ASSE on June 8, 2004 at the National ASSE Professional Development Conference. (right) Richard F. Moscato receives the Culbertson award from ASSE President Gene Barfield.

Richard F. Moscato, CSP received ASSE's 2003–2004 prestigious Culbertson Outstanding Volunteer Service Award. The award was presented for his support of professional development education, serving as Task Force Leader for ASSE's March symposium, and his outstanding volunteer efforts for ASSE and the SH&E profession.

In March 2004, Rich Moscato was the Chair of ASSE's "Achieving World-Class Safety" safety management symposium in New Orleans, LA, which was an outstanding success. It had over 500 attendees, including participants from six different countries. He had personally reached out and recruited three of the excellent Concurrent Session speakers. There, in New Orleans he was not only the Master of Ceremonies, but also was one of the two Concurrent Session speakers at one session, a moderator for two different Concurrent Sessions and served as a member on the "World-Class Safety Successes" panel presentation for all attendees.

The Charles V. Culbertson Award is named after ASSE's late vice president of communications. This award recognizes select members of the executive board, national committee members and practice specialty officers who have helped advance the occupational safety, health and environmental profession through exemplary volunteer service to the Society during the past year.