

GREATER CHICAGO CHAPTER NEWSLETTER



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ASSE MEETING NOTICE

TUESDAY— FEBRUARY 13, 2007

THE DYNAMICS OF FLEET SAFETY

PRESENTED BY: JIM SOLOMON

Dynamics of Fleet Safety

A Fleet—"A group of vehicles operated under control".

A simple suggestion: If you have **one** vehicle operated for or by your organization you have a **fleet**. This brings with it the potential for fleet problems. As a motor vehicle owner / operator you too have a personal / family fleet. Your family fleet can put you out of business as quickly as a commercial fleet.

What types of vehicles are in your fleet?

Cars, School Buses, Vans (12 passengers), Motor Coaches, Vans (15 – 30 passengers) Transit Buses, Hybrid Engines, Motorcycles, Pick up Trucks, Fork Lifts, Straight Trucks, Golf Cart type vehicles, Tractor Trailers (dry), All Terrain Vehicles, Tractor Trailers (liquid), Light Rail, HazMat, Other** and Specialty Trucks

** Other may shock you.

The Nine Topics to be covered include:

Data Analysis & Problem Identification, Fleet/Family Policies, Management Commitment, Accident Investigation, Driver Qualifications, Vehicle Selection/ Maintenance/ Inspection, Driver Training, Compliance and Goal Setting

Jim Solomon will compare and contrast your personal responsibilities with your fleet. His challenge of what could go wrong if proper planning hasn't been

done by a family may be one of your greater challenges for 2007.

Come hear Mr. James A. Solomon present this exciting program. Jim is the Director of Program Development and Training for the National Safety Council's Defensive Driving Courses and is sure to offer

Lunch and Meeting Pricing:

Advanced Registration ASSE Members and Guests: \$20

Registration at the Door: \$25

Retired Emeritus Members: FREE

Meeting Information:

11:30 am	Registration
12:00 pm	Lunch
1:00 pm	Presentation
2:00 pm	Executive Committee meeting (all are welcome to attend)

Cucina Biagio Restaurant, 7313 W. Lawrence, Harwood Heights, IL (708-867-4641). *Directions: From Downtown, take I-90 West (toward O'Hare) to Harlem Avenue, exit South. Go approximately 1 mile to Lawrence, turn right (West) - on left side of street, about 1 block.*

RSVP to 773-894-7065, by February 12 and leave a message that includes your name, company name and phone number or respond directly to your Evite.

Dear Chapter Members:

It is so hard to believe we are now firmly in 2007! Our goal continues to strive to increase participation and recruit additional members to our Chapter. We need for you to let us know how we can do that! Please drop an email to one of the members on the Board. (email addresses are on the first page).

On January 16th, Jim Smith and I met with other Chapter Representatives from AIHA, NEIL and ACHMM to discuss a partnered event in place of the Holiday dinner. We have decided that we will collaborate on an event during spring of 2008. Some of the ideas that all were interested are as follows;

- Half day Golf outing event.
- Mini seminars, 2 to 3 hours in the morning. The mini seminars should be in-depth enough to qualify for CEU's or CoC points.

Each of the organizations will publish and advertise each of our meetings. We will also add each of the respective groups to our evite and newsletter groups. The other organizations Executive Boards will also vote to approve the elimination of non-member charge for attending their meetings. We currently do not charge differently for non-members. We will be meeting again in July to finalize the details and begin planning the 2008 event.

Thank you to the members and their guests for coming to our meetings, it is always nice to meet our members! A special thank you goes to Al Borzych who worked tirelessly on the successful submission for the Chapter Star Award. He will be graciously accepting the award at the PDC in Orlando this June.

As always, please let me know what your opinions are, your opinion counts!

Hope to see you at our next Chapter meeting!

Maribeth Anderson

President, Greater Chicago Chapter

2006 – 2007 Greater Chicago ASSE Speakers—

SAVE THE DATES

February 13, 2007	Jim Solomon (National Safety Council), Defensive Driving
March 13, 2007	Ed Glod (EH&S Manager, Northrop Grumman), Achieving VPP & ISO 14000 Status
April 10, 2007	Steve Jensen (President American Safety Training), Confined Space Safety
May 8, 2007	Field Trip to Shedd Aquarium
June 12, 2007	Don Dixon (Safety Manager, Pepper Construction), Cultural changes necessary to get to the next safety level.

Be Prepared Before the Storm Strikes

At Home and Work : Primary concerns are loss of heat, power and telephone service and a shortage of supplies if storm conditions continue for more than a day.

Have available:

- Flashlight and extra batteries.
- Battery-powered National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration Weather Radio and portable radio to receive emergency information. These may be your only links to the outside.
- Extra food and water. Have high energy food, such as dried fruit, nuts and granola bars, and food requiring no cooking or refrigeration.
- Extra medicine and baby items.
- First-aid supplies.
- Heating fuel. Refuel before you are empty. Fuel carriers may not reach you for days after a winter storm.
- Emergency heat source: fireplace, wood stove, space heater.
- Use properly to prevent a fire.
- Ventilate properly.
- Fire extinguisher, smoke alarm.
- Test smoke alarms once a month to ensure they work properly.
- Make sure pets have plenty of food, water and shelter.

In Vehicles:

Plan your travel and check the latest weather reports to avoid the storm.

- Fully check and winterize your vehicle before the winter season begins.
- Carry a winter storm survival kit:
 - Mobile phone, charger, batteries.
 - Blankets/sleeping bags.
 - Flashlight with extra batteries.
 - First-aid kit.
 - Knife.
 - High-calorie, non-perishable food.
 - Extra clothing to keep dry.
 - Large empty can to use as emergency toilet. Tissues and paper towels for sanitary purposes.
 - Small can and waterproof matches to melt snow for drinking water.
 - Sack of sand or cat litter for traction.
 - Shovel.
 - Windshield scraper and brush.
 - Tool kit.
 - Tow rope.
 - Battery booster cables.
 - Water container.
 - Compass and road maps.
- Keep your gas tank near full to avoid ice in the tank and fuel lines.
- Avoid traveling alone.
- Let someone know your timetable and primary and alternate routes.

When Caught in a Winter Storm:

- Find shelter:
 - Try to stay dry.
 - Cover all exposed body parts.
- No shelter:
 - Build a lean-to, windbreak or snow cave for protection from the wind.
 - Build a fire for heat and to attract attention.
 - Place rocks around the fire to absorb and reflect heat.
 - Melt snow for drinking water:
 - Eating snow will lower your body temperature.



In a Vehicle:

- Stay in vehicle:
- You will become quickly disoriented in wind-driven snow and cold.
- Run the motor about 10 minutes each hour for heat.
- Open the window a little for fresh air to avoid carbon monoxide poisoning.
- Make sure the exhaust pipe is not blocked.
- Be visible to rescuers:
- Turn on the dome light at night when running the engine.
- Tie a colored cloth, preferably red, to your antenna or door.
- After snow stops falling, raise the hood to indicate you need help.
- Exercise:
- From time to time, move arms, legs, fingers and toes vigorously to keep blood circulating and to keep warm.

Inside Home or Shelter:

- Stay inside:
- When using alternate heat from a fireplace, wood stove, space heater, etc., use fire safeguards and properly ventilate.
- No heat:
- Close off unneeded rooms.
- Stuff towels or rags in cracks under doors.
- Cover windows at night.
- Eat and drink. Food provides the body with energy for producing its own heat. Keep the body replenished with fluids to prevent dehydration.
- Wear layers of loose-fitting, lightweight, warm clothing. Remove layers to avoid overheating, perspiration and subsequent chill.

For more Safety Related Weather tips: go to <http://www.weather.gov/os/winter/index.shtm>

ANSI/AIHA Z-10 Occupational Health and Safety Management Systems Technical Audio Conference Call February 14, 2007 11:00 am - 12:30 pm Central Time

The ASSE Technical Audio Conference Series provides listeners with the most up to date information on issues that significantly impact the SH&E profession. On Wednesday, February 14, Craig Schroll will present “**ANSI/AIHA Z-10.1-2005 Occupational Health and Safety Management Systems.**”

Jim Smith, Vice President of the Council on Practices and Standards, (CoPS) will facilitate this call. Our main speaker, Craig Schroll, President Firecon, will present an overview of this newly developed OHSMS voluntary consensus standard. The purpose of the standard is to provide organizations with an effective tool for continual improvement of their occupational health and safety performance. An OHSMS implemented in conformance with this standard can help organizations minimize workplace risks and reduce the occurrence and cost of occupational injuries, illnesses and fatalities. In this 90-minute call, the following topics will be covered:

- An overview of the standard including a brief description of the seven sections and appendices
- How the standard can help organization minimize workplace incidences and maximize safety performance
- Implementation issues

Craig Schroll is a Certified Safety Professional, Certified Utility Safety Administrator, Certified Environmental Trainer, and Certified Hazard Control Manager. He has been actively involved in loss prevention and control since 1972. He has designed, developed, and presented a wide variety of training programs. Jim Smith is a Certified Safety Professional and has almost thirty years in safety, health, and environmental management. Jim is current the Vice-President of the Council on Practices and Standards, (CoPS).

This program is only \$75 for members and is recognized for BCSP CoC credit. Registration includes:

1. Related articles about the standard.
2. A 90-minute conference call presentation and PowerPoint.
3. Vital Information SH&E professionals need to know about the standard.
4. Following the call you will receive a CD recording of the call.

In addition, participants will be able to submit questions both before and during the presentation.

Save the Date: February 14, 2007 from 11:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. central time

If you would like to participate **Simply register with www.asse.org or contact our Customer Service Department at 847.699-2929.**

**BEAT THE RUSH: ASSE KIDS' ANNUAL
NAOSH SAFETY-ON-THE-JOB POSTER CONTEST**

DEADLINE IS THIS VALENTINE'S DAY...

ASSE's fifth annual 'Safety-on-the-Job' Kids' Poster Contest for members' children, grandchildren, nieces and nephews and chapter-supported schools deadline for entries is

Valentines' Day, February 14.

Go to www.asse.org/naosh07 for all you need to enter and photos of past entries and winners.

Quick Facts:

- Children aged 5 – 14 can enter -- ASSE members' children, grandchildren, nieces and nephews are eligible along with schools or other children's groups chapters would like to sponsor.
- First place prizes in each age group are \$1,000 savings bonds.
- Deadline is Valentine's Day, February 14, 2007.
- Mail to ASSE Public Relations, ASSE, 1800 East Oakton Street, Des Plaines, IL 60018-2187.
- Every entrant receives a prize.
- The winning posters make up the North American Occupational Safety and Health Week (NAOSH—May 6 –12, 2007) 07 poster distributed worldwide reaching more than 50 million people and 150,000 businesses with occupational safety, health and environmental messages.
- ASSE poster contest entries to be highlighted and displayed at two North American Occupational Safety and Health Week (NAOSH) kick-off events in Washington, D.C. Monday, May 7 at the U.S. Department of Labor event with OSHA officials and at our nation's Capitol for the awards ceremony/NAOSH recognition event.
- Posters will be displayed at the ASSE Professional Development Conference and Exposition in Orlando in June.

TO ENTER:

Print out an entry form found at the [NAOSH website](http://www.naosh.org), paste it to the

back of the 1 x 14 poster and mail it to the ASSE PR Department

1800 E. Oakton Street,

Des Plaines, IL 60018

c/o Sarajenie Smith.

Questions -- contact either ASSE PR Coordinator Sarajenie Smith at ssmith@asse.org or PR Manager Diane Hurns at dhurns@asse.org.



WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

Welcome new members to the Greater Chicago Chapter of ASSE. We look forward to seeing you at an upcoming meeting.

Gene Hillard—International Truck & Engine

Steven Smith—CAN

Mark Dunn

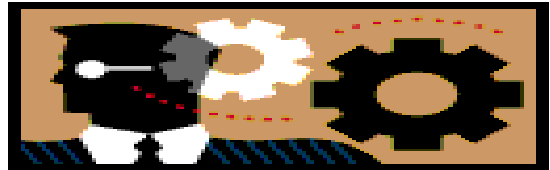
Ryan Van DeWoestyne—Chubb and Son

Devan Gourdine

Matthew Lazaric—Conestoga Rovers & Associates

Stephanie Shapira—Chicago Transit

Irene Zaparowicz-Short



LOOKING TO GET MORE INVOLVED WITH ASSE LOCAL GREATER CHICAGO CHAPTER GREAT WE ARE LOOKING FOR NEW CHAIRPERSONS

GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS:

Todd will soon be taking on more responsibilities with 2nd Vice Chairperson and we are looking for new chair for this position.

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 re-caps for both State and Federal, as they are made available.

Email: todd.macumber@hubinternational.com

NEWSLETTER EDITOR:

If you are interested in becoming the new Newsletter Editor for ASSE Greater Chicago Chapter, please send an email to leslie.batterson@saralee.com or give her a call at 63-598-8411.

Or Contact Maribeth Anderson, ASSE Greater Chicago Chapter President for other great opportunities. It is a great organization to gain exposure in the Safety and Health field, contribute to a great organization and network with some outstanding safety professionals.