

# NEWSLINE



Central Ohio

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## New Members Spotlight WELCOME!

Laura Czuba  
Elizabeth Dainowicz  
Monica Johnson

## Upcoming Dates

### November

20-21—ASSE Symposium; Solutions in Construction Safety  
21—Monthly Meeting

### December

17—Monthly Meeting: Joint meeting with Capital Area Safety Council: Berwick Party House, 7:30am networking, 8am presentation on OSHA/PERRP Recordkeeping

### January

16—ASSE January Meeting  
22-23—Building A Successful Safety Culture Symposium, Costa Mesa, CA

## Last Month's Meeting Summary

- The meeting was held on October 17th at the OSU COHAM Facility.
- Tracy conducted an introduction to the facility and thanked JC Alcox of IE Monitoring for sponsoring and providing breakfast. Everyone was asked to visit the new web site for the chapter. It was also noted that there are several new job openings and they can be viewed on the chapter's web page.
- William S. Marras, Ph.D., CPE, was introduced. Dr. Marras provided a presentation covering his thirty years of study and work of back injuries, which centered on occupational health for automotive manufacturing. His research focused on the cost benefit for preventing back injuries, not the treatment of an injury. He published the following material related to the back:  
*Work Related Musculoskeletal Disorders, 1999*  
*Musculoskeletal Disorders and the Workplace, 2001*
- Congratulations to the winners of the door prizes:  
Charlie Guinther, Mike Ely & Dawn Chandler
- Congratulations to Bob Beck for winning the 50/50 drawing.
- We still have ASSE logo shirts available for \$20. See John Principe to purchase one at the next meeting.
- 34 members attended the October meeting.

## November Meeting Information

November 21, 2008

## ASSE Regional Update - Presented by Tanis J. Marquette, CSP, CHMM

**Time:** 7:30am - 8am - Breakfast/  
Networking  
8am - 9am Presentation  
9am - 9:15am Chapter Meeting

**Where:** Denison University  
Burton Morgan Lecture Hall  
Granville, OH

**RSVP:** via the [website](#) or contact  
John Principe 740/587-5646

### Special Thanks:

Hosted by John Principe  
Sponsored by Management Practice Specialty (see page 3 for more info.)

### About the Meeting:

The presentation will review the concepts of leading and lagging indicators and how companies can develop metrics to support their efforts. Leading indicators provide the potential to foresee future trends thereby presenting opportunities to improve EHS performance. Making EHS statistics and metrics visible also increases awareness and can improve EHS performance. The presenters will demonstrate current programs within their organization and how these measures have improved focus.

### About the Speakers:

Tanis J. Marquette, CSP, CHMM, is the Technical Market Compliance Manager with Hexion Specialty Chemicals. She leads the development and implementation of industrial hygiene programs throughout Hexion's global organization and supports the EHS efforts of their North American Technical Services team. She has more than 15 years' experience in EHS and is a graduate of British Columbia Institute of Technology's OHS Program. Marquette is a professional member of ASSE and currently serving as the Region VII Vice President. She is past-President of the Louisville Chapter.

Joel Hornberger, Global EHS Manager, Coatings and Inks Division, Hexion Specialty Chemicals, has nearly 20 years experience developing and implementing EHS programs in the chemical industry. In his current role, he has oversight of EHS programs across 37 sites worldwide. He is also responsible for developing Hexion's corporate-wide EHS metrics dashboard which is utilized in all facilities throughout the 22 countries within which Hexion operates. Working with Hexion's global EHS leadership team, Joel's data driven approach has led to analysis of leading indicators, a shift away from the traditional lagging metrics reporting.

## 2008-2009 ASSE Member Recognition Executive Committee



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Continental Building Systems' safety director, Meg DeWerth, administers and implements the overall safety program for CBS, working closely with both field personnel and senior management. She has over 15 years of experience in construction safety and is known as a leader in the industry by her peers. She was honored in 2001 by the Ohio Division of Safety and Hygiene for "meritorious service and outstanding effort and achievement in furthering the safety movement in Ohio". In 2004, the Builders Exchange created a new award, "The Meg DeWerth Industry Impact Safety Award" to honor her efforts in making the construction industry a safer place to work. See the OSHA partnership information below.

### Congratulations Are In Order

- ◆ Congratulations to John Principe. John is being nominated by the Central Ohio Chapter for Region VII Safety Professional of the Year.

*We want to recognize your accomplishments! If you or someone you know has earned a safety award/certification or made an extraordinary contribution to the safety of employees, public or the environment let us know. Please contact Brian Basbagill or write it down on the back of your meeting evaluation form.*

## Rudolph Brothers Earns Perfect Safety Scores

With the assistance of Keith Bullock, a Safety Consultant with the Ohio On-site Consultation Program, a free, confidential and voluntary occupational safety and health assistance program available to small businesses, Rudolph Brothers decided to apply for the Safety and Health Achievement Recognition Program (SHARP). On March 17, 2006 Rudolph Brothers and Company became the fifth business in Ohio to earn the SHARP Award. This distinction is more than a title; Ohio's SHARP provides incentives that include deletion from routine programmed inspections for a period of time. And on August 9, 2007, Rudolph Brothers and Company's SHARP status was renewed for a period of two years.

## OSHA Strategic Partnership Program Update

**National Office:** Employees in the electrical transmission and distribution industry will continue to gain useful information and best practices for protecting their safety and health through the recently renewed strategic partnership between OSHA and several electrical contractors and industry trade associations. The organizations joining OSHA are Asplundh Tree Expert Co., Henkels & McCoy Inc., MDU Construction Services Group Inc., MYR Group Inc., Pike Electric Inc., Quanta Services Inc., the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, the National Electrical Contractors Association and Edison Electric Institute. **Region III:** OSHA's Charleston, W.Va., Area Office and the **Continental Building Systems**, headquartered in Columbus, Ohio, formed a partnership that fosters a safe workplace for employees, and helps contractors develop exemplary safety and health management systems during the construction of the Christ Temple Church Life and Health Center in Huntington, W.Va. **Region VI:** OSHA's Austin, Texas, Area Office partnered with the San Antonio Masonry Contractors Association to provide better workplace safety for employees working in the San Antonio metropolitan area.

## 2008-2009 Committee Chairs

### Program

John Principe (740/587-5646)

### PR/Safety Congress

Nick Minto (614/761-8385)

### Membership

Bob Beck (614/361-5508)

### CoPS

Amy Stewart (740/892-4226)

### Government Affairs

Stephanie Helgerman (614/424-7363)

### House of Delegates

Kirby Utt (614/225-8335)

### Newsletter/Webmaster

Brian Basbagill (614/890-0800)

### The Chapter Needs You!

To volunteer for committee chair positions, special projects or even an executive committee position for '09, contact any of the committee chairs or the executive committee.

## Volunteer Needed

ASSE is looking for a volunteer in Governmental Affairs. This person would serve as the communication network between the chapter and ASSE HQ regarding governmental affairs and activities. They will coordinate legislative actions involving local, state, regional and national issues impacting the safety profession and provide input on federal laws and regulations on which ASSE is proposing to comment. If you are interested, see the ASSE website or contact Stephanie Helgerman for more information.

## ASSE's New A10 Crane Safety Standards Package Now Available

The voluntary consensus standard, "**Reduction of Musculoskeletal Problems in Construction**" (ANSI/ASSE A10.40-2007), is available through ASSE.

On July 17, 2008, ANSI dismissed the Coalition's appeal of the A10.40 standard and declared the appeals process completed. ANSI BSR approved the standard on July 23, 2007.

The A10.40 standard applies to construction work where there may be risk factors, which could lead to musculoskeletal problems for construction workers, but it does not apply to office or administrative work performed by construction companies.

Potential solutions in the standard aimed at reducing incidence of musculoskeletal problems include risk elimination, substitution, use of engineering controls, administrative changes, training, use of protective equipment and assessment of individuals' physical capabilities. The standard also includes a risk assessment guide, a construction musculoskeletal problem checklist, a return-to-work checklist, a list of resources, key terms and definitions and a list of nonoccupational risk factors such as age, strength and gender.

### What's wrong with these pictures????



## Management Practice Specialty

The Management Practice Specialty serves those with management, supervisory or oversight responsibility for safety programs. The management profession covers hundreds, if not thousands, of topics. This profession is an ever-expanding arena that interfaces and overlaps more and more with safety, health and environmental (SH&E) professionals. An understanding of management regulations and issues is a must for most SH&E professionals, and a strong knowledge of management issues will make you a more marketable professional. With such a vast field of knowledge to cover, the American Society of Safety Engineers (ASSE) created the Management Practice Specialty.

ASSE has always recognized the need for management professionals in the SH&E arena. The Management Practice Specialty was founded with the goal of developing and disseminating a Body of Knowledge for the SH&E community. This Body of Knowledge also serves those who wish to become SH&E professionals with interests in management topics.

The Management PS has 3 branches: hospitality, human resources, and manufacturing.

### Mark Your Calendars with these upcoming meeting dates!

- December 17, 2008** - Joint meeting with CASC/Recordkeeping
- January 16, 2009** - Safety Communications
- February 20, 2009** - Vehicle Accident Reconstruction
- March 20, 2009** - Safety Programs and Professional Development
- April 17, 2009** - Crane Safety
- May 15, 2009** - OSHA Legal Update

## Government Affairs Updates

### ASSE Comments on NIOSH Asbestos Roadmap

ASSE recently commented on NIOSH's draft Current Intelligence Bulletin, "Asbestos Fibers and Other Elongated Mineral Particles: State of the Science and Roadmap for Research." ASSE expressed its concern that the revised roadmap strays from NIOSH's original stated goal of developing a unified theory of thoracic-sized fiber toxicity between currently known and newly identified mineral fibers; synthetic vitreous fibers; and nanofibers.

ASSE states that the draft document "does not provide an adequate explanation for why NIOSH has backed away from research on a unified and coherent risk management approach that fully incorporates this unified understanding of the toxicity of mineral and manufactured elongated particles." The Society believes that such an approach would be a significant step toward helping to reduce occupational diseases. Instead, NIOSH has reverted to "mineral only" research that may or may not be integrated with other independent research on manufactured elongated particles. ASSE believes this is an inadequate commitment.

## ASSE Society News & Notes

### ASSE Shares Plan for Addressing Value of the Safety Professional

Earlier this year, ASSE's Council on Professional Affairs (CoPA) completed a study to learn whether SH&E professionals are viewed by management as value-add employees and to identify how they can better meet management's needs and expectations. Based on the results of that study, CoPA has formulated a plan that has three areas of focus: repositioning safety, repositioning the safety professional and preparing the safety professional to be the value-add employee. ASSE members can contact Dennis Hudson to share their suggestions regarding the project and to volunteer to participate.

### Safety Culture Symposium: Jan. 22-23

In January, ASSE will present the first of two symposia for 2009, Building a Successful Safety Culture Symposium, Jan. 22-23 in Costa Mesa, CA. The event will feature leading authorities in culture change. Register by Dec. 19 for the best rates on the symposium, and book your hotel room at the Hilton Orange County/Costa Mesa by Dec. 23 to receive the ASSE group rate.

### ASSE Members Make Top 50 List

Several ASSE members were included in *EHS Today's* (formerly *Occupational Hazards*) 50 Most Influential EHS Leaders list, published Sept. 1. The publication's editors picked 50 safety professionals who they believe have made an impact in the profession within the past decade. The list is divided into categories including government appointees, academics, union leaders, legislators, company-based professionals, professional association presidents, safety industry leaders, safety "gurus" and corporate advocates. Among ASSE members on the list were 2008-09 President Warren Brown, CSP, ARM, professional member of the Kitty Hawk Chapter (listed under association presidents) and past president James "Skipper" Kendrick Jr., CSP, professional member of the Fort Worth Chapter (listed under corporate advocates).

Of the professionals chosen, *EHS Today* stated, "They all have one thing in common: Through their work, their mentoring, their lecturing, their lawmaking, their research, their administration or their advocacy, they have had a strong and lasting impact on EHS in the workplace."

Other ASSE members selected include: Edwin Foulke Jr., professional member of the National Capital Chapter; John Henshaw, CIH, professional member of the St. Louis Chapter; Thomas Krause, professional member of the Valley Coastal Chapter; E. Scott Geller, professional member of the Star Valley Chapter; Lindsay Booher, CSP, CIH, NOVA Chapter member; Lawrence Gibbs, CIH, professional member of the Greater San Jose Chapter; Richard Kowalski, COHN-S, professional member of the Georgia Chapter; J. Nigel Ellis, P.E., CSP, CPE, RSP, professional member of the Philadelphia Chapter; Ather Williams Jr., professional member of the Penn-Jersey Chapter; Scott Madar, CIH, professional member of the National Capital Chapter; and David Roskelley, CSP, CIH, professional member of the Utah Chapter.