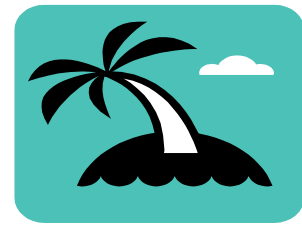




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Quarterly Newsletter

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DON'T FORGET TO REGISTER!

October 13th, 2009

Meeting day is the second Tuesday of each month

Breakfast Meeting Information

Topic: “Accident Investigation”

Speaker: Mike Doering- Mike is employed by CalOSHA and offers us an Accident Investigation Primer—We all need this!

*****Election of New President-Elect*****

When: Tuesday, October 13, 2009 @ 7:30 AM

Where: Admiral Baker Clubhouse

3604 Admiral Baker Rd., San Diego, CA 92120

Cost: \$12 Members with RSVP prior to October 9th

\$15 Non-Members or without RSVP prior to October 9th

Free – 1st Meeting for New Members

Correct change or a checks is appreciated!

For more information visit: www.sandiegoasse.org

Please RSVP to: Barbara (Barrie) Osborne,
Secretary: bmtconsulting@cox.net
(619) 200-7377

Email is preferred over phone contact.

Directions: Interstate 15 to Friars Road East; left onto Santo Road (traffic light); immediate right on Admiral Baker Road; go STRAIGHT at STOP sign; pass the recreation area and part of the golf course; road curves to right at the driving range; keep going all the way to the Clubhouse parking lot—a total of .9 miles from Santo Road.



MESSAGE FROM OUR PRESIDENT

Setting the Bar...as the incoming President for the San Diego Chapter of ASSE, I see great opportunity for continued growth and expansion for the Chapter in the coming year. My predecessor set the bar high as I enter into my one year term; however, I am up to the challenge of utilizing my very competent team to the fullest to ensure that you, as a member and those who aspire to become members of our professional organization, enjoy the full benefits of membership as we strive and thrive as a Chapter to stay on the cutting edge of technology, resource delivery and professional development skills.

Looking toward the future, I see our organization utilizing more technology and learning tools to enhance your online experience, and provide educational sessions that are more engaging from both the presentations and post meeting resource accessibility. The methodology for the dissemination of information to our membership will also be revisited to ensure that you, in the words of UPS, receive information "at the speed of business". I am looking forward to a great year with ASSE and I hope that your experience with the Chapter during the 2009/2010 fiscal year will be an experience to remember.

Our team of qualified volunteers is vested in the hope of providing you the resources you need to succeed and further your professional development experience with the Chapter. Remember you are the Chapter—a robust collection of Safety Professionals seeking to impact your workplace with the skills and talents gained through your vast work experience and resources obtained from your experience, education and ASSE. I only ask that you support your local Chapter, represent us well, and improve your skills daily as together we challenge opportunity and meet head on the expectation of growth and professional prosperity for ourselves and the Chapter.

With great appreciation and anticipation,
Tim Johnson
San Diego ASSE Chapter President

Lee Klein

It is with a heavy heart that we announce our dear friend and colleague Lee Klein lost her valiant battle with cancer on September 14, 2009. Her strength of character, wisdom and humanity will be sorely missed. Lee's husband Bob has suggested a donation to the Susan G. Komen Foundation or the Humane Society of the United States, two of her favorite charities.

Lee offered us all a shining example of professionalism, volunteerism and the true meaning of friendship. I started out just trying to get things together for a "vale" at the Australian Safety Conference and then was asked to add a piece sharing her memorial service with those who couldn't attend. It quickly became apparent that Lee touched many lives in many ways and to do justice to her memory, it would be appropriate to put together a biography. If you have any stories, employment facts, personal remembrances or anything you would like to share, please contact me at bmtconsulting@cox.net.

Programs – Ken Cohen, PhD (Ret.)

"Be careful what you wish for, you may get it!"

As reflected by the paucity of responses to my pleas for meeting topics or subjects of interest, I am predicting that some time in the future will reflect meeting content which consists of ASSE business, networking, and gossip, but no substantive or educational content. This is your last chance to indicate subject areas of interest. Please respond to Program Chair Ken Cohen (anergy@cox.net) with your ideas, interests, or gaps in your safety/health education that you would like filled!



President-Elect Alden Tansey Resigns– Election October 13, 2009

On his visit to the East coast Alden discovered his heart belongs there with his family and has resigned as our President-Elect. Nominating Committee members Tim Johnson and Barrie Osborne are pleased to announce that Don Dodson, our speaker at the September Education meeting, has accepted nomination to the position. Voting will take place at the meeting on October 13, 2009. The nominating committee welcomes additional nominations for this position. Please contact one of them as soon as possible with any candidates.

HOD Delegate Resigns-Call for Nominees

The Nominating Committee has not had any nominations for this position. Here is a link to view the responsibilities of the position: http://members.asse.org/2007/officer_central/delegates.php. Viewing this may require logging in for which you will need to have your ASSE membership number.

Pacific Southwest Health & Safety Conference

“Call for Papers” - We are seeking speakers and topics for the next conference which will be held in the spring of 2010. We also need some volunteers for other tasks such as room monitors and registration. Please “Step up to the plate”. Email: Steve.Workman@cobham.com

ASP/CSP Study Group – Cindy Reyes

Congratulations to Daniel Rojas of EMD Chemicals who is the first of the study group to pass the safety Fundamentals Examination and earn the Associate Safety Professional (ASP) designation. Been thinking about pumping up your resume by adding ASP or CSP to your name? Contact: Cindy Reyes at creyes@24hourfit.com

Welcome Aboard!

We wish a warm welcome to new members joining our Chapter in July, August, and September, 2009. Your first breakfast with us is free. If you haven't received the voucher for your free meal, please contact Gary Couture-Membership Chair. Again, WELCOME!

<u>Name</u>	<u>Company</u>
Jeffrey Shanley	Abbott Vascular
Luis Campos	SWRMC
Joseph Edgman	SWRMC
Jonathan Francisco	KaSai Consulting
Jeff Kleinfelter	Parsons
Schalk Opperman	JM Turner Engineering, Inc.
Lupita Ruiz de Chavez	Costco Wholesale
Patricia Stella	Genentech, Inc.
April Twigg	Department of Justice
Paul Zoubek	Succeed Safety and Health Services, Inc.
Shauna McElhenny	Advanced Chemical Transport, Inc.
Ricardo Reyes	Solar Turbines
Susan Hendricks	Focus on Invention
Amy Stewart	Western Mesquite Mine
Fabiola Wells	Student Member



ASSE Governmental Affairs Update

Barrie Osborne attended the California Governmental Affairs Committee in Fullerton on September 16th. They will be putting together synopses of pending legislation that may be of interest to Safety Professionals. This will be made available on the San Diego website in the near future

Calling all North County Members of San Diego ASSE

Both the San Diego and Orange County Chapters of ASSE have members who are "stuck in the middle", they either live or work in the Northern part of San Diego County or Southern parts of Orange County and find it difficult to attend meetings and participate in chapter activities due to the commute. If this sounds like you—now is your chance to be heard. Come to the first networking/planning meeting for a potential North County Section of San Diego ASSE.

WHEN: Tuesday, November 3, 2009 from 11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.
WHERE: 24 Hour Fitness Corporate Office, 1265 Laurel Tree Lane, Carlsbad, CA 92011
RSVP: creyes@24hourfit.com or 760-918-4539 (call-in number may be available as well).
Willis Insurance Company will host lunch.

Scholarship Opportunity

Applications for scholarships for our Student Members are available on our website.

Invite To Our Meetings

The SDASSE Board agreed to invite members of the Pacific Southwest Chapter of the Alliance of Hazardous Material Professionals to our monthly meetings. Many members of ASSE are members of AHMP and vice versa and it is thought that the "cross pollination" would benefit both groups. If you know any Certified Hazardous Material Managers, please invite them as well.

Student Membership and Public Affairs – Cait Casey

- Please send Cait a note at ccasey@aspenrmg.com regarding white papers and other publications you authored or contributed to. She would like to gather the information, so that the Chapter can note your contributions to the safety and health community.
- Cal OSHA has a 45-day window for comments on the Heat Illness Plan (October 15). Cal OSHA Reporter says the proposed permanent changes strengthen training, eliminate the term preventive recovery period, trigger shade at 85 degrees with coverage for 25 % of employees at one time. High heat procedures at 95 degrees include effective communications - supervisor contact, observation of employees for symptoms, encourage drinking water and close supervision of employees. The employee may request breaks of 5 minutes for recovery.
- **An invitation to professional service** As a member of ASSE how can you or your organization assist the next generation of safety & health professionals prepare for careers in construction, industry and risk management? Please consider getting involved and helping students from local colleges through: mentoring & guiding; providing internships; offering work on special projects to enhance classroom learning; providing tours of your facility, having a student "shadow a professional" for a week; or just engaging in discussions of ethics, metrics, and sharing practical in the field stories, and your hard decisions and cost saving solutions.
- If you would be willing to "show the way", please contact Cait Casey at ccasey@aspenrmg.com. She would also welcome any thoughts, comments you can contribute to the conversation and continue the discussion.



UP COMING EVENTS and USEFUL LINKS



If You Have an Upcoming Event or a Useful Link

Please contact our Newsletter Editor if you have an upcoming event or a useful link you would like to share with the rest of the membership.

Humantech Ergonomics Training

Humantech would like to extend a special discount to ASSE members for their upcoming fall seminar series. They offer Applied Industrial Ergonomics (October 13-14) and Applied Office Ergonomics (October 15) seminars in Newport Beach and another series in Houston (November 3-5). As a courtesy to ASSE Members they are offering a 20% discount off the regular registration rates. This represents a savings of up to \$219 for a three-day seminar.

Here is how it works:

- From the seminar page, www.humantech.com/seminars, click [Register Now for the 2009 Seminars](#)
- Proceed with the registration process, on the fourth page during the registration process enter **ergonomics** in the Discount Code
- Continue with the registration process as normal
- The 20% discount will be deducted during checkout

ASPEN Risk Management Group “Training Opportunities”

October 8, 2009 - IIPP's for the Construction Industry

Location: 3505 Camino Del Rio South, San Diego CA 92108 Time: 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Contact: Cathi Marx: Seminars@aspenrmg.com

Suspension Syndrome

Website on Understanding Suspension Syndrome as a result of falling with a harness:

http://www.jems.com/news_and_articles/articles/jems/3408/dangerous_suspension.html

San Diego Area Field Federal Safety and Health Council

The council met September 25th after being inactive for a few years. To find out more about their next meeting email nancy.smith@usps.gov or call Bob Kelly at (602) 514-7254.

Risk & Insurance Management Society (RIMS)

Find out more about RIMS at: www.sandiegorims.org

Safety Exchange of America (SEA)

The SEA website has a great deal of useful information including safety talks, video clips and links to even more information. Check it out at: www.emeeetingplace.com/



Pacific Safety Council

Find the classes you need on the training page at: www.safetycouncilonline.com
Pacific Safety Council, 9880 Via Pasar, Suite F, San Diego, CA 92126

Employment Opportunities

Please visit: <http://jobline.sandiegoasse.org/>

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(This is also available through a link on the San Diego Chapter website.)
www.asse.org

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