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Low Country Chapter
AMERICAN SOCIETY OF SAFETY
ENGINEERS



The President's Message

Hello to all. Cooler weather could not come soon enough. We have certainly had a heat wave this year.

Now that the children are "back to school" we can get back to business.

The Regional PDC in Myrtle Beach is coming up very soon. Don't miss this opportunity. When the PDC is profitable our local chapter is eligible to receive a portion of the proceeds, so let's show our support and attend. Although the ASSE is a non-profit organization we still have to raise funds for education, sponsors, student chapter and etc.

Through support and hard work from some of our current members we have been able to increase our attendance at our meetings. We have been challenged to increase our membership by 10% this year. Bring a guest to our meeting and hopefully they will see the benefits our organization has to offer and will want to join. Also, there is a membership campaign until March 31. For more details visit the ASSE website.

We as a chapter have so many goals we would like to move forward on. All goals are projects and projects takes time and volunteers. If you would like to volunteer your time, efforts and knowledge to work on a committee or on a project please feel free to contact me at anytime.

We are looking for technical articles for our newsletter or the "Professional Safety" magazine. If you have the writing ability and would like to submit one we encourage you to do so. The Low Country chapter would be honored to submit your article.

If there is something important to you and your organization regarding Safety, Health and Environmental that we have not fulfilled your needs, please contact me. If you are interested in a certain topic, speakers give us your input. We are here to serve our members needs and expectations. We cannot serve our members better unless we hear from you.

Looking forward to seeing you on the 19th.

Sincerely,
[Diana Potts](#)

Treasurer's Corner

The Chapter's bank account continues to operate with a balance of \$6773.70 as of June 30, 2003. There were 22 people present at the July 15, 2003 meeting."

Next Meeting



Date: Tuesday, August 19, 2003

Time: 11:30 AM "network" with your fellow members! Lunch is promptly at Noon.

Please bring a guest or potential new member.

Speaker: Jim Holtzclaw, PhD, CIH

Topic: Respirator Change Schedule

Jim is a Senior Staff Scientist with General Engineering. His topic will be concerning the respirator change schedule based on 1910.134

"The revised OSHA Respiratory Protection Standard (1910.134) went into effect in 1998. One of the new requirements of the standard was the development of a respirator cartridge change schedule based on objective data. Since two local companies were recently cited by SC OSHA for failing to implement a respirator change schedule, the regulatory requirements and several approaches for achieving compliance will be discussed."

**Place: North Towne Seafood and Grill
2093 Eagle Landing Blvd.
North Charleston, SC
Phone: (843) 863-1001**

Please email me if you are attending the meeting.
ecarms@comcast.net

Meeting Host

Our meeting host is Ray Armstrong with CESCO.
Please see Ray to register for a door prize.



Looking for a Meeting Host

Would you consider being a host for a monthly ASSE meeting? When you host a meeting, we request that you provide a door prize for a drawing and/or supply the attendees with a company promo such as pens, hats, or other items with your logo.

In exchange for hosting a meeting, there will be a space for free advertisement provided to you at no charge in that month's newsletter. Just let me know when you would like to host a meeting.

Diana Potts

ASP & CSP Prep Classes

Span Training International will be leading an ASP preparation class October 27 - 29, and a CSP preparation class October 30 - November 1, at Trident Technical College's main campus. Classes will be from 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM. Cost is \$750 per student, per class. For more information, contact Joel Rogers at 843-745-3140 or joel.rogers@meadwestvaco.com

Safety Conferences

September 5 - 12, 2003
91st Annual Congress & Expo (NSC)
Chicago, IL
www.nsc.org

September 12, 2003
The Business Leadership Forum on
Workplace and Community Health & Wellness
N. Charleston, SC
843-797-FIND

September 14-17, 2003
ACHMM 2003 National Conference: The
Challenging World of Hazardous Materials
Management, Dallas, TX.
www.achmm.org

September 16-19, 2003
Region VI PDC
Kingston Plantation, Myrtle Beach, SC
www.asse-region6.org

October 13-17
47th Annual Human Factors and Ergonomics
Society Meeting, Denver, CO.
www.hfes.org

December 9-11, 2003
National Ergonomics Conference and
Exposition
Las Vegas, NV
www.ergoexpo.com

Spotlight on an ASSE Member

By Jane Lyons

Starting with this issue, we will "SPOTLIGHT" an ASSE Lowcountry Chapter Member. This idea had been discussed in a previous Executive Committee Meeting and after having lunch with Fim White and learning more about him, he agreed to be my first "victim". Thanks Fim!

I hope this will be a way to learn more about the Lowcountry Chapter members and the companies that they work for. If you would like to recommend someone, please let me know at 760-8367 or jane.lyons@us.bosch.com



Fredrick (Fim) M. White
Safety Manager
Landmark Construction
170 employees, currently
have 11 active jobs

How long have you been in safety?
5 ½ years

How long have you been a member of ASSE?
2 years

What do you like best about your job?
Having the satisfaction of seeing a safety program work.

What is your greatest professional challenge?
Having the people who work for Landmark to FULLY grasp the importance of SAFETY and practice it everyday.

What is your greatest accomplishment?
Managing a successful auto parts business

Previous employers:
NAPA Auto Parts, Summerville, S.C.

Where are you from originally?
Dillon, S.C.

Family information:
Married, 6 children, 7 grandchildren

Hobbies
Camping, Music

If you could let people know ONE interesting thing about you that most people don't know, what would that be?
I enjoy playing folk music on the guitar.

Welcome New Members to the Chapter

[JoAnna Carlisle - CorVel Corporation](#)
[Dana Fisher - Afga](#)
[William McLane - Shell Lubricants](#)
[Keith Morel -ChevronTexaco, Global Lubricants](#)

Eye and Face Protection Program Z87.1

To help you learn more about the revised ANSI Z87.1 Eye and Face Protection Standard, ASSE is hosting a teleconference on August 18, from 11:00 am to 12:30pm CDT. Participants will receive copies of the old and new standards, a presentation paper, a Powerpoint presentation and an audio CD of the conference call. Cost to ASSE members is \$85; cost to AIHA/ACHMM members is \$95; the list price is \$105. To register, visit <http://www.asse.org> or contact ASSE customer service at 847-699-2929.

Bosch has registered for this Audio Conference and has a conference room reserved. If you would like to attend, please contact Jane Lyons at 843-760-8367 or email her at: jane.lyons@us.bosch.com. The audio conference will be Aug. 18th, 2003 from 12:00 noon until 1:30 pm. (this will save you \$85.00).

ASSE National Society Newsletter

The ASSE National Society Newsletter is now available online at:

<http://www.asse.org/su03.htm>

Articles from our Professional Safety magazine are also available at:

<http://www.electronicipc.com/JournalEZ/toc.cfm?code=0427001>

CHEMICAL SAFETY

Responsible Care companies experience improvement in H&S at chemical companies belonging to the American Chemistry Council (ACC). Employees work in some of the nation's safest work places, according to a report released by the council.

The ACC's Occupational Injury and Illness Report (OIIR) showed a 16 percent improvement in the overall safety of member company employees in 2002. Small, medium and large companies all showed improvement, with fewer recordable injury cases and fewer incidents resulting in lost workdays. ACC companies have seen a 42 percent improvement in employee safety since 1993.

Failure Of Employer To Correct Hazards Leads To Additional Fines

A Rochester, N.Y., employer's failure to correct previously cited workplace safety and health hazards has resulted in an additional \$157,500 in fines from OSHA.

Piedmont Hawthorne Aviation, which manages ground service and maintenance operations at Greater Rochester International Airport, was originally cited by OSHA in September 2002 for 14 violations of the Occupational Safety and Health Act, according to Art Dube, OSHA's Buffalo area director. The company subsequently paid a fine of \$66,000 and agreed to correct all cited hazards. An OSHA follow-up inspection begun in January 2003 found that the company had failed to correct hazards in four areas.

As a result, Piedmont Hawthorne faces an additional \$150,000 in fines for failing to establish a program to prevent the accidental startup of machinery during maintenance, train and certify employees in the safe operation of powered industrial trucks, provide hazard communication training to employees who work with hazardous chemicals and require the use of eye protection by employees.

The inspection also uncovered two additional hazards, failure to develop and implement both a confined space program and a respiratory protection program, for which two serious citations were issued and fines of \$7,500 proposed.

Member Directory & Job Line

Jane Lyons will continue to update the member directory as needed. If you have not sent her your updated information, please email her at:

Jane.Lyons@us.bosch.com

Jane also maintains a Job Line by email notification. Please email her if you would like to be on the distribution.

If you are a member of ASSE, you may want to update your information at:

www.asse.org/format_frames_main.asp?bannerfr ame2=professional_safety_banner.html&mainfra me2=contact2.htm

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