

Low Country Chapter
AMERICAN SOCIETY OF SAFETY
ENGINEERS



The President's Message

Happy New Year. I hope 2004 will bring you peace and happiness.

If you missed December's meeting, you missed a great one. Joel Rogers and Jane Lyons did a wonderful job coordinating our Christmas Social. We had a great time. Van Henson from OSHA spoke about upcoming legislation. We had great food and a Chinese gift exchange. The best of all was that EIGHT (8) Past Presidents of the Low Country ASSE were present. The chapter's very first president George (Bob) Mussat was sitting at my table. All past presidents were presented with a certificate of appreciation. We also had several other special guests, including Marshall Fowler, past president of the State chapter. What a great evening we had. Can't wait until next December.



I have been waiting for you to call me. We want your input on what topic or services we can help you with. You can e-mail me at dpotts@sc.rr.com or call me on my cell number 200-5066.



Our chapter is still looking for a member to submit a technical article to be published in the "Professional Safety" magazine. Don't be bashful.

Contact Jane Lyons or myself and we will guide you through the process.

Do not forget to budget for the Low Country ASSE's PDC. We have scheduled it for May 7th. MARK your calendars today. We are looking forward to seeing all of you attend this year. The PDC topics will be announced in the near future.

I was told we are having a very special guest in March, Fred Miller. Fred is the Region VI Regional Vice President. It will be a real honor to have him attend our meeting.

I look forward to seeing all of you January 20th.
[Diana Potts](mailto:dpotts@sc.rr.com)

Treasurer's Corner

As of December 31, 2003, the Chapter's account continues to operate with a balance of \$4451.22. There were 25 people present at the December 16, 2003 meeting, including 7 past presidents.

Michele

Next Meeting

Date: Tuesday, January 20, 2004

Time: 11:30 AM - AGFA Plant Tour
1658 Bushy Park Road, Goose Creek, SC

Lunch will be at the AGFA Plant and we must have a headcount by Friday (1/16) if you wish to attend. Also, security at the AGFA Plant will not let you in if you are not on the list we must supply.

So please email me at ecarms@comcast.net Or call me at 740-4573.

Directions to the plant will be sent out later this week.

Future Meetings

February 17 - 11:30 AM
North Town Restaurant & Grill
Host - TE

Topic - (Training & Education in the 21st Century)
Adult Training and Education and OSHA required training.

March 16 - 11:30 AM
North Town Restaurant & Grill

Topic - *OSHA Legal Issues (Workman's Comp issues/Temporary Workers Issues)*

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 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

FMCSA To Ease Truckers Into New Hours-Of-Service Rule

Much confusion has surrounded the implementation of the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration's new hours-of-service rule for commercial drivers, which went into effect Jan. 4. Many drivers and employers should be relieved to hear that DOT will be enforcing only egregious violations for the first 60 days, giving everyone affected a chance to learn more about the new rule

Safety Conferences

January 27-28
OSHA National Advisory Committee on Ergonomics Fourth Meeting/ Musculoskeletal and Neurovascular Disorders Research Symposium, Washington, DC.
Phone: 202-693-2144.

February 10-12
14th Annual Construction Safety Conference Rosemont, IL.
www.buildsafe.org

February 19-21
29th Annual National Hearing Conservation Association Conference Seattle, WA.
www.hearingconservation.org

March 25-26
ASSE' - Achieving World-Class Safety New Orleans
<http://www.asse.org/worldclass.htm>

April 21, 22 & 23, 2004
SCOSC Spring Conference Kingston Plantation Myrtle Beach, SC
www.scosc.org

April 30-May 7
2004 American Occupational Health Conference, Kansas City, MO
www.acoem.org or www.aaoan.org

May 7 – Required Attendance Low Country ASSE PDC Charleston, SC
dpotts@sc.rr.com

May 8-13
American Industrial Hygiene Conference & Expo, Atlanta, GA
www.aiha.org

May 23-26
NFPA World Safety Conference & Exposition, Salt Lake City, UT.
www.nfpa.org/meetings

June 7-10
ASSE 2004 Professional Development Conference and Exposition, Las Vegas, NV
www.asse.org

September 10-17
92nd Annual National Safety Congress & Expo, New Orleans, LA
www.nsc.org

September 20-24
48th Annual Human Factors and Ergonomics Society Meeting, New Orleans
www.hfes.org

3M Service Life Software for Respirators

3M has just released Version 3.1 of their service life software for respirator cartridges. You can download the current version from their website free of charge.

Version 3.1 was developed and released to enhance the software's functionality. To access the download page click here:

http://www.3M.com/occsafety/framesets/software_solutions.html

ASSE Kids' Poster Contest Deadline

A reminder that the children's poster submission deadline for the 2nd annual ASSE 'Safety-on-the-Job Kids' Poster Contest' is soon approaching. All entries must be postmarked by Valentine's Day, February 14, 2004.

A \$1,000 savings bond will be awarded to the kids' posters best illustrating safety-on-the-job in each age group, which will be featured on the 2004 North American Occupational Safety and Health week (NAOSH) national poster. The contest is open to ASSE members' children, grandchildren, nieces and nephews from ages 5 through 12. The kids' poster drawing must relate to the theme 'Safety-on-the-Job' and should illustrate an example of safety at work. For full contest rules and entry form visit www.asse.org/naosh/2004

Job Search Web Sites

<http://www.bechtel.com/careers/>
<http://www.ThinkJobs.com/think.nsf/MainHome?Openform>
<http://www.engineerjobsearch.com/javadb.nsf/MainHome>
<http://www2.bv.com/>
<http://www.careerbuilder.com/>
<http://www.ch2m.com/flash/movie.htm>
<http://www.cjhunter.com/>
<http://www.exeloncorp.com/careers/>
<http://www.job-hunt.org/fortune500.shtml>
http://www.gecareers.com/gecareers/jsp/jobsearch/experienced_professionals/search.jsp?gotoform=experienced
<http://my.monster.com/>
<http://jobsearch.careers.msn.com/>

Donate Unused Safety Equipment or Supplies

Anyone wanting to donate obsolete or unused safety equipment or supplies may donate it to the Low Country Safety Council. The equipment will be used in safety training for demonstration purposes only.

Please notify Jane Lyons at 760-8367 or jane.lyons@us.bosch.com.

S.C. OSHA Releases High-Hazard List

S.C. OSHA has completed development of its newest five-year Strategic Plan. South Carolina has focused on reducing employee injuries, illnesses, and particularly occupational fatalities.

The Strategic Plan identified 13 industries with high injury and illness rates. The State will focus its activity on these industries during the first year of the Plan. The following industries in South Carolina were identified by the Bureau of Labor Statistics to have high injury and illness rates:

- 3562 - ball & roller bearings
- 2211 - broad woven fabric mills (cotton)
- 0222 - broad woven fabric mills (not cotton)
- 2273 - carpets & rugs
- 2752 - commercial printing
- 2411 - logging
- 2824 - man-made organic fibers, except cellulosic
- 0271 - newspapers
- 3089 - plastic products, non-classified
- 2015 - poultry processing
- 3552 - textile machinery
- 3011 - tires and inner tubes
- 2281 - yarn spinning mills

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>

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?bannerframe2=professional_safety_banner.html&mainframe2=contact2.htm

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