

S.C. Low Country Chapter



AMERICAN SOCIETY OF SAFETY ENGINEERS

January 2009 Newsletter

"Your Safety.....Our Profession"

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Happy New Year!

I'm hoping that everyone enjoyed a wonderful and safe holiday season. The new year marks the halfway point in our Chapter year, so we're looking forward to making the second half even better than the first.

Our Annual Holiday Evening Meeting was fantastic! Jim Morris, our ASSE Region VI Vice President, paid us another visit and provided us with lots of information in his own unique way.

As a reminder, our first meeting of the new year will be Tuesday, January 20th. This will be a site visit to NUCOR Steel – Berkeley. They are very much looking forward to having us, so please let Terri Sherrill know that you're planning to attend and she'll add you to the list. We need an accurate headcount for lunch, which will be served on-site at a cost of \$7.50.

Don't forget to mark your calendars for Friday, March 20th, which is our Annual Chapter Safety Conference. Please support this effort by attending, recommending a vendor, donating a door prize or just by spreading the word. This is our Chapter's main fundraising event, so we'll need everyone's support. See Jayne Carswell with any questions and keep checking our Chapter website for information.

As always, be safe!

Michele P. McCutchen, MSPH, CSP
President, ASSE Low Country Chapter

A Great Time Was Had By All!

On Monday, December 1, 2008, the ASSE Low Country Chapter held its Annual Holiday Evening Meeting at the Harborview Restaurant atop the Holiday Day Inn Riverview in West Ashley.

Those in attendance enjoyed the breathtaking view, great food and an entertaining safety presentation by our own ASSE Region VI Vice President, Jim Morris. His presentation put an interesting twist on incorporating safety into every job task, including delivering toys at Christmas time. He also provided an update on what's going on within our Region as well as with the Society. One highlight is the 2009 Society Elections. ASSE is gearing up for its 100 anniversary in 2011, so it is an exciting time to be involved.

It was wonderful seeing folks that have not been able to make the regular meetings. Many thanks to our members and guests who attended and special thanks to Terri Sherrill who did a fantastic job coordinating the event.





"Beyond Compliance . . ."

Annual Safety, Health & Environmental Conference

Sponsored by the
Low Country Chapter of ASSE
and the *Low Country Safety Council*

Friday, March 20, 2009
8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

LOCATION: *Low Country Safety Council Suite*
1930 Hanahan Road, Suite 600
North Charleston

COST: *Attendees: \$75 Vendors: \$100 Students: \$25*

Contact Jayne Carswell for further information.



2008 Region VI PDC a Huge Success (update)

This past September, the 2008 ASSE Region VI Professional Development Conference (PDC) in Myrtle Beach, SC was a big hit for all who attended. This was our most successful year, with attendance of over 300 people. Attendee feedback indicates that 97% of attendees rated the QUALITY of the conference as outstanding, excellent, or good and 92% of attendees rating the VALUE of the conference similarly. Networking...? Attendees came from as far away as Texas, Utah, and Canada, as well as local states.

How do we know all this?

The new PDC registration system is now on-line, fast, easy, and allows the PDC Committee plenty of needed feedback. The 2009 PDC on September 21-25, 2009 again in Myrtle Beach will be even better...plan now to attend.

Details will be available on the Regional Website www.asse-region6.org after the first of the new year.

ASSE MEMBER GETS EPA GRANT TO ASSIST SCHOOLS

The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has awarded a support and training grant to Randy Beaver, Director of Environmental Health and Safety at the College of Charleston. Randy's project is to assist the Charleston County School District in establishing a process for addressing indoor air quality issues in accordance with the EPA's *Tools for Schools* national program. In addition, Randy has been asked to permit his model to be used by EPA to assist SCDHEC and EPA in incorporating the program in other South Carolina school districts.



ASSE Continues to Support *Toys for Tots*!

Thanks to everyone who brought a child's bicycle helmet in support of our annual donation to *The Marine Toys for Tots Foundation*!

We collected 9 helmets and also made a \$100 donation on behalf of the Chapter! Cpl. Brantley received our donation on November 18th, following our monthly meeting at Sticky Fingers Restaurant on Northwoods Blvd.

This year's donation was covered by Channel 2, WCBD News and footage was shown on the 11 p.m. broadcast that evening!



JANUARY 2009 CHAPTER MEETING
Nucor Steel - Berkeley

Our 1st Chapter Meeting of 2009 will be at the Nucor Steel - Berkeley Plant! On Tuesday, January 20, 2009, we will have lunch and a presentation on OHSAS 18001/ANSI Z-10 followed by a tour of the Melt Shop. Mike Furr and Randy Cooper will be our presenters. They will have their pre-audit in November and final audit in December and are expected to be registered and certified to both standards by January 2009. They are also awaiting SC OSHA to set dates for their VPP audit. If they are able to complete all three items, they will be the only facility in the United States that is ANSI Z10, OHSAS 18001, and VPP certified!

Nucor will provide all PPE required, EXCEPT SHOES. They are requiring us to wear closed-toed shoes, so no open-toed shoes will be allowed. They will provide hard hats, safety glasses, hearing protection, and flame resistant jackets. There is a five minute security video that we will view as a group, once everyone has arrived. They will require everyone to sign a safety document acknowledging that they have viewed the safety precautions and you **MUST BE ESCORTED AT ALL TIMES** through the mill. Randy Cooper will have the security gate allow us in, so attendees are to identify themselves as part of the ASSE tour group. Please RSVP with Terri Sherrill as we need a headcount for lunch, which will be served at the plant at a cost of \$7.50 per person.

If you have any questions, our Site Contact is Randy Cooper, Nucor Steel - Berkeley Safety, Health and Security Coordinator, 843-336-6140, Randy.Cooper@Nucor.com.

Hope to see you all there!

Directions to Nucor Steel - Berkeley Call 1-888-GONUCOR(466-8267)
 If you have any questions.

<p>From Charleston Airport</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Take either Dorchester Road, Rivers Avenue, or Montague to 526 - Go east on 526 towards Mt Pleasant until you cross the Cooper river - Take Exit 23B, Clemmets Ferry Rd North - Continue on Clemmets Ferry for approx 7 to 8 miles until you cross a small bridge and enter a 35mph zone - Take a left onto Cainhoy Rd and continue approx 6 ½ miles until you pass a church on the left and a playground on the right - Take a left onto Hagan Ave and continue approx 1 mile to front gate 	<p>From I-26 East</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Take I-26 east towards Charleston until you reach 526 - Go east on 526 towards Mt Pleasant until you cross the Cooper river - Take Exit 23B, Clemmets Ferry Rd North - Continue on Clemmets Ferry for approx 7 to 8 miles until you cross a small bridge and enter a 35mph zone - Take a left onto Cainhoy Rd and continue approx 6 ½ miles until you pass a church on the left and a playground on the right - Take a left onto Hagan Ave and continue approx 1 mile to front gate 	<p>From Mt Pleasant</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Take Hwy 17 North thru Mt Pleasant - Turn left onto Hwy 41 just after Brickyard Plantation and just before the Texaco station - Continue on Hwy 41 approx 5 ½ miles (cross over Wando River bridge and pass small store on left) - Bear left onto Clemmets Ferry Rd at fork, and continue on Clemmets F. approx ¾ to 1 mile - Turn right onto Cainhoy Rd and continue approx 6 ½ miles until you pass a church on the left and a playground on the right - Take a left onto Hagan Ave and continue approx 1 mile to front gate
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South Carolina Chapter
National Safety Council



your safety training department

Occupational Safety & Health Services

SC NSC is proud to offer a new line of consulting services with discounts for members. We offer a broad range of services to meet all your safety and health needs and our consultants are Certified Safety Professionals and Certified Industrial Hygienists. Some of these services include:

- ✓ Mock OSHA Audits
- ✓ Industrial Hygiene Sampling
- ✓ Indoor Air Quality and Mold Testing
- ✓ Safety Program Review and Preparation
- ✓ Onsite Training
- ✓ Ergonomics Assessments
- ✓ Off-Site Safety Director for Small Businesses:
 - Choose one service quarterly such as training, mock OSHA audit, IH monitoring, or safety program review

For questions on these services please contact Colleen Eubanks, OSH Program Director at ceubanks@scnsc.org or (803) 260-3202

UPCOMING EVENTS

JANUARY 14, 2009: OSHA
RECORDKEEPING 8:00 AM-12:00 PM

JANUARY 14, 2009: INCIDENT
INVESTIGATION 1:00-5:00 PM

JANUARY 15-16, 2009: OSHA 10 HOUR
FOR CONSTRUCTION 8:30 AM-5:00 PM

JANUARY 26-29, 2009: OSHA 501
(TRAINER COURSE FOR GENERAL INDUSTRY)
8:30 AM-4:30 PM

FEBRUARY 4, 2009: INTRODUCTION TO
OSHA 8:00 AM-12:00 PM

FEBRUARY 4, 2009: HAZARD
COMMUNICATION 1:00 PM-5:00 PM

FEBRUARY 9-12, 2009: OSHA 500
(TRAINER COURSE FOR CONSTRUCTION
INDUSTRY) 8:30 AM-4:30 PM

MARCH 2-6, 2009: FIRST RESPONDER
9:00 AM-5:00 PM

MARCH 4, 2009: LOCKOUT TAGOUT
8:00 AM-12:00 PM

*For more information or to register,
please call (803) 732-6778 or visit our
website www.scnsc.org. ASSE
Members receive member rates!*

CSP STUDY GROUP ALL NEW FOR MEMBERS IN 2009!

SC NSC and SC ASSE are offering a new service to members in 2009. The CSP Study Group is an instructor lead study session to help you prepare for the ASP and CSP exams. The group will meet twice per month (generally on the first and third Tuesday) at the SC NSC office from 11:30 to 1:30. Meetings will run from January through September. The cost will be \$25 per session and will include lunch. In order to attend you will need to order the ASSE Refresher guide which will be the text (see <http://www.asse.org/cartpage.php?link=examprep> to order) and you must be a NSC member or a SC ASSE member.

The CSP Study Group is an informal review of subjects that commonly appear on the ASP/CSP tests. The group is instructor lead but relies heavily on class participation. After each meeting, you will complete "homework" which will be reviewed during the next meeting. We will be using the ASSE Refresher Guide available at www.asse.org as a text, but purchasing the guide is not required to attend the study group. Over a period of about 18-20 weeks. Please RSVP for each session, since we will be providing lunch. If you are interested in participating in the CSP Study Group, please call us at 803-732-6778 to register.

First Quarter Meeting Dates: January 6 and 20; February 3 and 17; MARCH 3 AND 17



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