

S.C. Low Country Chapter



AMERICAN SOCIETY OF SAFETY ENGINEERS

October 2009 Newsletter

"Your Safety.....Our Profession"

<http://www.lowcountryasse.org/>

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Annual Toys for Tots Drive

How can our Chapter impact our community? Better yet, how can we help protect children in our community? Well, we can certainly help improve the safety of a number of children by providing them with bicycle helmets and/or elbow and knee pads. With our individual financial commitments, most of us can only "afford" to donate one helmet, but each of us can certainly do more. At my workplace, I am having a "toy drive" to collect helmets and pads to be donated during our November meeting. Of course, if any of my co-workers want to donate toys instead of this safety equipment, I'll certainly accept and appreciate their participation.

I challenge you to consider having a toy drive at your workplace as well. I've developed an announcement and have contact information for requesting a Toys for Tots collection box and I'd be glad to share that information with those who are interested. Just email me at jayne.carswell@itt.com.

Our Chapter is currently collecting bicycle helmets as well as elbow/knee pads from now until our November meeting. Pat Rhea has graciously volunteered to store the donated items at his facility. We'll be presenting to Toys for Tots to a Marine Reserve serviceman/woman at the November meeting. A \$5 cash rebate will be give to each ASSE member who donates a helmet and/or pads.

Let's do all we can to protect our co-workers and as well as those in our communities!



Jayne M. Carswell, CSP

Sr. ESH Specialist



Next Chapter Meeting

October 20, 2009

11:30am

Effectively Engaging Blue Collar Workers in Safety Performance

Mr. Jeff Walters
Safety Ambassador
KapStone Paper

North Towne Grill & Seafood Restaurant

*2093 Eagle Landing Blvd
North Charleston, SC 29406
([Google Maps](#))*

Meeting Fee:

\$11.50 for members

\$13.50 for guests

November Meeting:

Donovan Baker will be the “speaker” for the November meeting/tour. He’s going to give a broad overview of the NFPA 70E requirements prior to touring the Salisbury glove plant.

H1N1 Decision Assistance TOOL

MUSC has developed a tool, similar to the OSHA website compliance “etools”, to help individuals or employers guide decisions as to whether they may have the Swine flu, seasonal flu, cold, etc. This tool is available at:

<https://carc.library.musc.edu/dev/H1N1/>

At this web site you will be asked to enter your symptoms and send your information. A response will indicate, based on your self-reporting of symptoms, the most likely problem and how to care for your illness. I have tried it with a variety of different inputs and I am impressed with the detail and responsiveness of this tool. Obviously, this does not replace actual medical care, but at the College we believe that it may reduce the numbers of students reporting to the health care center for the common cold believing it to be the Swine flu. I strongly encourage you to provide this information to employees, it may help them to decide whether they need to come to work, send their kids to school, and/or seek medical care for a more serious illness.

The Editor

Spring 2010 ASSE Lowcountry PDC

Planning for the Chapter's Spring PDC has begun and we are recruiting volunteers for the PDC Committee.

Please contact Terri Sherrill PDC Chair: Ph: 843-884-0005; Fax: 843-881-6149; Mobile: 843-991-8220; tsherrill@smeinc.com

\$\$\$\$\$ *Treasurer's Report* \$\$\$\$\$
(As of October 1, 2009)

\$ 11,038.21



Please Support the Habitat for Humanity PPE Drive!

The Low Country Chapter has initiated a PPE drive to benefit our local Habitat for Humanity. If you have PPE (or a monetary donation to be used towards the drive), please contact Pat Rhea, CSP at 843-744-4261 (office) or 843-209-4934 (cell).

You can bring your donation to any Chapter meeting through February 2010. Pat is willing to make a pick-up at your site as needed.

Habitat for Humanity PPE needs, in order of preference are:

1. Safety Glasses
2. Gloves
3. Ear plugs
4. Tyveks.

Chapter 2nd Vice-President/ Programs Chairperson Opportunity

The ASSE Low Country Chapter has an opening on the Executive Committee for 2nd VP/Programs Chairperson. As stated in our bylaws, our chapter's membership will vote to elect a replacement for this position. I would like to announce that **Pat Rhea with Sanders Brothers Construction** has been nominated for this office. If any of our members would like to nominate another member for this office, please notify me prior to the next monthly meeting on October 20. Our membership will vote to fill this position during that meeting.



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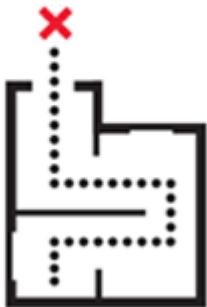
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Trident Technical College's Division of Continuing Education offers Environmental, Occupational Health and Safety and OSHA compliance programs. To register for courses call 843.574.6152 or for further information call 843.574.6083. Visit our website at www.tridenttech.edu/ce.htm.

Environmental Compliance

Asbestos Inspector

XIET 616-502 9/14-16 MTW 8am-430pm \$525 Main Campus

AHERA Asbestos Worker

XIET 618-501 10/27-30 TWThF 8am-430pm \$475 Main Campus

Asbestos Supervisor Refresher

XIET 605-506 10/14 W 8am-430pm \$200 Main Campus

XIET 605-507 12/9 W 8am-430pm \$200 Main Campus

Asbestos Worker Refresher

XIET 609-504 10/13 T 8am-430pm \$135 Main Campus

XIET 609-505 12/8 T 8am-430pm \$135 Main Campus

Asbestos Management Planner

XIET 627-503 9/17-18 ThF 8am-430pm \$350 Main Campus

Asbestos Inspector Refresher

XIET 603-505 10/15 Th 8am-1230pm \$135 Main Campus

XIET 603-506 12/10 Th 8am-1230pm \$135 Main Campus

ISO 14001 Overview

XIET 657-501 10/21 W 8am-5pm \$225 Main Campus

ISO 14001 Internet Auditor

XIET 615-501 10/8-9 ThF 8am-5pm \$449 Main Campus

NPDES Permit Compliance

XIET 511-502 11/13 F 8am-5pm \$195 Main Campus

Mold and Fungi Control and Remediation

XIET 629-502 10/26-27 MT 8am-5pm \$350 Main Campus

Water and Wastewater Treatment

Swimming Pool/Spa Operators

XIET 510-505 9/9 W 830am-5pm \$175 Main Campus

XIET 510-506 11/4 W 830am-5pm \$175 Main Campus

Occupational Health and Safety and OSHA Compliance Programs

Hazardous Materials Responder Annual Refresher (Hazwoper and Hazmat)

XIET 505-503 9/11 F 8am-5pm \$195 Main Campus

XIET 505-504 12/4 F 8am-5pm \$195 Main Campus

Hazwoper/Hazmat (24-Hour Program)

XIET 503-503 12/7-9 MTW 8am-5pm \$450 Main Campus

Hazwoper/Hazmat (40-Hour Program)

XIET 508 12/7-11 MTWThF 8am-5pm \$695 Main Campus



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National Safety Council

your safety training department

Occupational Safety & Health Services

SC NSC is proud to offer 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
- ✓ Monthly Safety Training
- ✓ 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.

NEW: Check us out on Facebook where you can network and share ideas with your colleagues! Go to

[http://www.facebook.com/home.php?ref=home - /group.php?gid=44107117121](http://www.facebook.com/home.php?ref=home-/group.php?gid=44107117121) to join our group.

UPCOMING EVENTS

SEPTEMBER 29, 2009: **SAFETY MANAGEMENT SYSTEMS FOR SMALL BUSINESS**

8:30 AM– 4:30 PM

OCTOBER 12-15, 2009: **OSHA 501**

8:30 AM– 4:30 PM

OCTOBER 13-15, 2009: **DDC8 INSTRUCTOR**

9:00 AM– 5:00 PM

NOVEMBER 2-5, 2009: **CERTIFIED SAFETY PROFESSIONAL (CSP) EXAM PREP**

8:00 AM– 5:00 PM

NOVEMBER 11, 2009: **CREATING A WORLD CLASS SAFETY CULTURE**

8:30 AM– 4:30 PM

NOVEMBER 17-18, 2009: **DDC4 INSTRUCTOR**

9:00 AM– 5:00 PM

DECEMBER 1-3, 2009: **EMERGENCY CARE INSTRUCTOR**

9:00 AM– 5:00 PM

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

In Case you Missed it.....

OSHA issues proposed rule to adopt the Globally Harmonized Hazard Communication System

WASHINGTON - A proposed rule to align the Occupational Safety and Health Administration's Hazard Communication Standard (HCS) with provisions of the United Nations Globally Harmonized System of Classification and Labeling of Chemicals (GHS) will be published in the September 30 [Federal Register](#).

The current HCS requires chemical manufacturers and importers to evaluate the hazards of the chemicals they produce or import and provide information to subsequent users. The current standard requires all employers to have a hazard communication program for workers exposed to hazardous chemicals. The program includes materials such as container labels, safety data sheets, and employee training.

A number of countries, including the United States, international organizations and stakeholders participated in developing the GHS to address inconsistencies in hazard classification and communications. The GHS was developed to provide a single, harmonized system to classify chemicals, labels and safety data sheets with the primary benefit of increasing the quality and consistency of information provided to workers, employers and chemical users. Under the GHS, labels would include signal words, pictograms, and hazard and precautionary statements. Additionally, information on safety data sheets would be presented in a designated order.

"The proposal to align the hazard communication standard with the GHS will improve the consistency and effectiveness of hazard communications and reduce chemical-related injuries, illnesses and fatalities," said acting Assistant Secretary of Labor for OSHA Jordan Barab. "Following the GHS approach will increase workplace safety, facilitate international trade in chemicals, and generate cost savings from production efficiencies for firms that manufacture and use hazardous chemicals."

Under the Occupational Safety and Health Act of 1970, OSHA's role is to promote safe and healthful working conditions for America's men and women by setting and enforcing standards and providing training, outreach, and education. For more information, visit www.osha.gov.



Plan Now to Attend the Annual Meeting Banquet,

December 8th !!