

# S.C. Low Country Chapter



AMERICAN SOCIETY OF SAFETY ENGINEERS

## January 2010 Newsletter

"Your Safety.....Our Profession"

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

### **MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT**

#### Happy New Year!

I'm hopeful that you all had a safe and enjoyable holiday. And now we are back to work in 2010. Representatives from our Chapter are busy getting ready to participate in the Military Magnet Academy's Career/College Fair in North Charleston on January 28. We will set up an ASSE booth and talk to students in grades 6-12 about working in the Environmental Health and Safety profession. In light of the fact that our profession was rated one of the top 10 hottest professions, my hopes are that we could educate these kids on the benefits of working in our chosen field. We can also provide educational information from colleges who have curriculum for degrees in Occupational Safety and Environmental Sciences. So if any of you are interested in lending a hand in this endeavor, please contact me - Jayne.Carswell@itt.com or Michele McCutchen - Michele.McCutchen@us.bosch.com. I'm looking forward to seeing you at our January 19 meeting at the Northtowne Grill.

*Jayne M. Carswell, CSP*



## **Next Chapter Meeting**

**January 19, 2010**

11:30am

### **Soft Tissue Injuries**

Dr. Jeremy Good

Good Chiropractic & Wellness Center

### **North Towne Grill & Seafood Restaurant**

*2093 Eagle Landing Blvd*

*Charleston, SC 29406*

#### **Meeting Fee:**

\$11.50 for members

\$13.50 for guests

**NOTE:** ***Pat will be presenting the PPE collection to the Habitat for Humanity. Donating organizations and individuals will be recognized for their contributions.***

## **Future Meetings....MARK your Calendar**

Feb. 16	<b>Avoiding Hand Injuries, Managing Expectations about Hand Surgery, Preventing Re-Injury and Advances in Treatment Options</b>	Dr. John DeVries or Dr. Brooker	<b>Trident Medical Center</b>
Mar. 12	<b>Annual Chapter PDC "Greening Safety in Today's Economy"</b> <b>(See article this issue)</b>	Various Speakers	<b>Charleston Southern University</b>
Apr. 20	<b>KapStone Paper Mill Tour</b>	Sherry Dixon	<b>KapStone Mill</b>
May 18	<b>Hurricane Preparedness</b>	Rob Fowler, Chief Meteorologist, WCBD	<b>North Towne Grill &amp; Seafood Restaurant</b>
Jun. 15	<b>Risk Identification</b>	TBA	<b>North Towne Grill &amp; Seafood Restaurant</b>

## SPY (Safety Professional of the Year)

**Nomination form is available at our website:**

<http://www.lowcountryasse.org/docs/Chapter%20SPY%20Guidelines.pdf>

**Please return competed form to:**

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***Heads UP***

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## EPA Issues Final Effluent Guidelines

On December 1, 2009, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) published effluent limitations guidelines (ELGs) and new source performance standards (NSPS) to control the discharge of pollutants from construction sites.

The regulation is effective on February 1, 2010. After this date, all permits issued by EPA or states must incorporate the final rule requirements. All construction sites required to obtain permit coverage must implement a range of erosion and sediment controls and pollution prevention measures. Beginning on August 1, 2011 all sites that disturb 20 or more acres of land at one time are required to comply with the turbidity limitation. On February 2, 2014 the limitation applies to all construction sites disturbing 10 or more acres of land at one time. These sites must sample stormwater discharges and comply with a numeric limitation for turbidity. The limitation is 280 NTU (nephelometric turbidity units).

The December 1, Federal Register notice for the final rule contains incorrect compliance dates for the turbidity limitation for sites disturbing 20 or more acres at one time. This error appears on page 63050 of the preamble to the final rule as well as in the rule text at 450.22(a) on page 63058. Both the preamble and the rule incorrectly state this date as August 2, 2010. The correct date is August 1, 2011. EPA will be issuing a correction notice to address this error.

[News Brief \(November 23, 2009\)](#)

[Fact Sheet on Final Construction and Development ELGs and NSPS \(November 2009\)](#)

[\(PDF\)](#) (2 pp, 23K)

[Federal Register Notice](#) (December 1, 2009) [\(Print Version\)](#) (64 pp, 354KB)

## ***ASSE's 8th Annual Kids' Safety-on-the-Job Poster Contest Deadline Near***

**DES PLAINES, IL** (December 21, 2009) — During the holiday season, the American Society of Safety Engineers (ASSE) encourages youth aged 5-14 to enter its 8th annual kids' "Safety-on-the-Job" poster contest. To win, children simply have to draw an example of being safe at work on a poster. The contest is open not only to ASSE members' children, grandchildren, nieces and nephews, but also to children and schools sponsored by ASSE members. The contest, which is broken down into five age groups, runs through Valentine's Day, February 14, 2010. Winners receive savings bonds, international recognition and are invited to several events, including the North American Occupational Safety and Health Week (NAOSH, May 2-8, 2010) kick-off events in Washington, D.C., this May 3. The first prize winners' posters will be displayed on the NAOSH 2010 poster distributed worldwide.

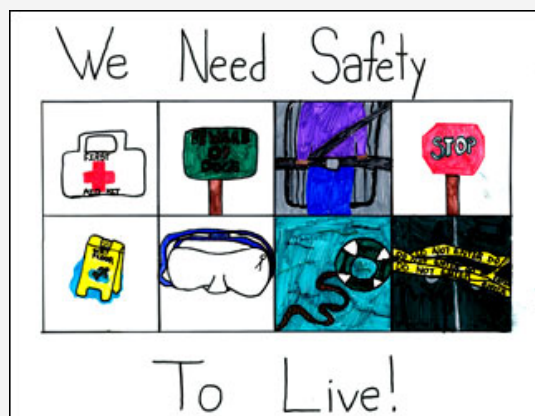
The poster contestants and winners will be recognized at events in Washington, D.C., at the U.S. Department of Labor, the U.S. Capitol and the Smithsonian. Entrants can go to [www.asse.org/naosh09](http://www.asse.org/naosh09) for highlights of last year's events and winners and to <http://www.asse.org/newsroom/naosh10/poster-contest.php> for a copy of the contest rules and entry form.

ASSE members and chapters can also sponsor schools, community organizations or children from their workplace in the contest, which is aimed at educating children on the importance of safety and health at work and better acquainting them with the job their parents, friends, relatives, etc. do as occupational safety, health and environmental practitioners.

Children in five age groups -- 1) ages 5-6; 2) ages 7-8; 3) ages 9-10; 4) ages 11-12; and 5) ages 13-14, are invited to create and submit posters no larger than 11 x 14 that best illustrate being safe at work. The first place winner in each age group receives a \$1,000 savings bond, the second place winner receives a \$500 savings bond and the third and fourth place winners receive a \$200 savings bond. All poster contest entrants receive recognition and are invited, along with their families, all ASSE members, partners, and federal officials to attend the ASSE poster contest awards ceremony in Washington, D.C., Monday, May 3, as well as a welcome brunch Sunday, May 2, at the U.S. National Zoo in Washington, D.C.

The contest winners will be announced the first week of March. NAOSH Week runs from May 2-8, 2010, and is a tool ASSE uses to promote the importance of occupational safety, health and the environment in everyone's lives. In addition, the posters are displayed in Washington, D.C. during NAOSH Week at the DOL, the U.S. Capitol and at ASSE's annual Professional Development Conference and Exposition in Baltimore in June 2010.

**From 2009, 7-8 Year Olds: Second Place Winner**  
Sage O'Neill, 8 - Neshanic Station, NJ



# Lowcountry Spring PDC

The American Society of Safety Engineers (ASSE) Low Country Chapter is announcing its Annual Professional Development Conference that will take place on Friday, March 12, 2010 from 8 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. at Charleston Southern University, 9200 University Boulevard, Charleston, SC 29406.

This year's theme is **"Greening Safety in Today's Economy"**.

We've built in a significant amount of time throughout the day for attendees to interact with vendors. The vendor registration fee is again only \$100, which includes continental breakfast, lunch and snacks for up to two company representatives.

Our address, if you would like to forward payment is as follows:

***ASSE Low Country Chapter  
2010 Professional Development Conference Vendor  
P.O. Box 60213  
North Charleston, South Carolina 29419***

If you are not able to attend , please consider providing a door prize for a drawing and/or supply attendees with a company promo item, such as pens, hats, etc.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Terri Sherrill at 843-884-0005 or at [tsherrill@smeinc.com](mailto:tsherrill@smeinc.com).

***Volunteers Needed !!!***

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

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

