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Quote of the Month

"I've personally met up with quite a few legless, armless and other badly messed-up folks. There's a whole lot of mighty serious accident contemplation going on in our hospitals. My observations have taught me that it is much better to think about accidents before they happen than to brood on them afterward. ... Personally, I'd rather be late for dinner tonight here than to be on time for breakfast in the next world in the morning. Haste makes waste of a lot of good human material." - Irvin S. Cobb, author



If you would like to have an article featured in the OCASSE Vanguard Newsletter please send your request to Jason Townsell

Introducing the American Society of Safety Professionals!

We are officially the American Society of Safety Professionals! As safety professionals, we are passionate about creating safe work environments for employees. That's why we are members of the American Society of Safety Professionals. Together, we are a vibrant community of great people who develop great resources, all to ensure a safer, stronger future. We invite you to meet some members, learn why they chose the safety profession and what it means to them to be a safety professional. ASSP is our members place to share our passion and improve our profession. Help us tell the world who we are, what we do and why it matters. Click the logo below to learn more.



President's Message

As of Friday, June 1, 2018 we are the American Society of Safety Professionals (ASSP). This is such an exciting time for the society and our chapter. I am eager and excited to begin the new term in a few short weeks. However, in order to begin a new term I feel the need to re-cap what an outstanding year we had.

In the July 1, 2017- June 30, 2018 term we were able to hold 8 Technical Meetings two of which were Joint meetings one with AIHA and the other with OCRIMS. Our 9th meeting will be on June 20th please register here as Dan Hopwood our previous Vice President of Region 1 presents on *Corporate Responsibilities for Emergency Management and Preparedness*. Through our technical meetings we offered a variety of speakers, topics and some very interesting conversations and questions. We also held two Professional Development Conferences (PDC's) one in February and the other in October. We had a couple of non-technical events as well which included our annual holiday party and Angel's Member mixer. OCASSE gave away six scholarships, donated to the foundation and the American Red Cross and participated in a couple of community events. Our student section lead by Jesus Lozano was extremely successful as well finding their stride as a group and getting over 30 members this past term.

When I look back at all that we accomplished this past year I know I couldn't have done it without my board and committee chairs. The pleasure has been truly mine working with each and every one of you. I know a lot of you are coming back to serve another term with me and for that I am truly grateful. With that being said if I didn't encourage more of you to participate and get involved with our chapter this newsletter wouldn't be complete. Please reach out to me or any board members and let us know how you want to participate and be a part of this exciting new year as we start our journey as ASSP!

Finally, it was my honor to go to San Antonio this past weekend as a Delegate for the chapter. On Sunday, June 3rd a motion was made and unanimously passed to accept the new ASSP Strategic Plan. In the next newsletter I will discuss this motion further and how we as a chapter will support this plan and roll it out in the new term.

Kaila Krichmar, CHST ehs International, Inc.





June is National Safety Month

Observed annually in June, National Safety Month focuses on reducing leading causes of injury and death at work, on the road and in our homes and communities. Click the banner below for free downloadable resources highlighting a different safety topic for each week in June:

Week 1: Emergency Preparedness

Week 2: Wellness

Week 3: Falls

Week 4: Driving

Use a little bit of creativity to engage workers, families and communities in safety this June.



Professional Safety, American Society of Safety Professionals' flagship monthly journal and top member benefit, covers the latest safety management and injury prevention trends. Each peer-reviewed issue of *Professional Safety* offers practical guidance, techniques and solutions to help occupational safety and health (OSH) professionals identify hazards, protect people, prevent injuries, improve work environments and educate management that investing in safety is a sound business strategy. Annual subscription is included with ASSP membership.

From the latest issue:

Peer-Reviewed

<u>Cargo Truck Tanks: An Often-Unrecognized Confined Space Hazard</u>
By Daniel J. O'Connell

Best Practices

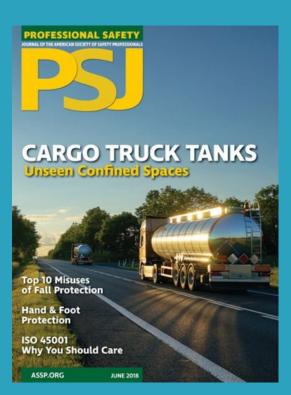
Safety Metrics: Corporate and Site-Level Scorecards

By Paul A. Esposito

Leading Thoughts
Acquiring Safety
By Robert Pater

Vantage Point

New World Safety Standard: Why You Should Care About ISO 45001 By Ken Wells





Looking for a job or a new opportunity in the field of safety?

One of the benefits of ASSE membership is access to open positions in the field of safety. The Orange County chapter maintains current listings of safety related positions available which may not be otherwise advertised.

Check out the new jobs posted by clicking the banner above, <u>click here to access ASSP's professional development page.</u>

If you have a job to post for your organization or would like more information, please email the Job Placement Director, at jobs@orangecounty.asse.org.

Safety Certifications Matter

Just as ASSP is the leading provider of high-quality education for occupational safety and health (OSH) professionals, the <u>Board of Certified Safety Professionals</u> provides the "gold standard" in safety certifications. BCSP credentials indicate you have met rigorous educational, experience and examination requirements for the safety profession — giving you a competitive advantage professionally. While such credentials are not necessary to join ASSP, we're here to help you earn those credentials so you can advance your career.

While ASSP and BCSP are not directly affiliated, we are closely aligned. Our organizations are dedicated to advancing the safety profession and the individuals who choose it. Ultimately, BCSP offers you certification exams and designations, while ASSP offers the education and support you need to earn and maintain those designations.

ASSP offers the following certification exam preparation workshops:

Associate Safety Professional (ASP) Exam Preparation Workshop

Certified Safety Professional (CSP) Exam Preparation Workshop

<u>Construction Health and Safety Technician (CHST) Exam Preparation</u> <u>Workshop</u>

Occupational Hygiene and Safety Technician (OHST) Exam Preparation Workshop

Safety Management Specialist (SMS) Exam Preparation Workshop



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