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Quote of the Month

"There are two types of people who will tell you that you cannot make a difference in this world: those who are afraid to try and those who are afraid you will succeed."

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If you would like to have an article featured in the OCASSP Newsletter please send your request to: Jennie Evangelista
President’s Message

Spring is in the air and with that being said that means Orange County Elections are around the corner. If I haven’t mentioned in the past the American Society of Safety Professional (ASSP) is such a great organization to be a part of, but it doesn’t come without amazing volunteers. I believe there is a position for everyone depending on time commitment you can make we can find a position for you. If you have every thought about volunteering or if you just want more information please reach out to Sharon Dressel at sdressel@beverlyhills.org.

Also, if you haven’t taken the opportunity please check out our upcoming events in May. Our first event is on May 14th and it’s our Annual Joint OCASSP/OCRIMS meeting where the Los Angeles County Sr. Deputy District Attorney, Christopher Curtis will present on “Potential Criminal Charges and Penalties that May Arrive out of a Workplace Death or Injury”. We will also be hosting our Annual OCASSP Angels Night on May 18th. Not only are we having our tailgate prior to the game and sitting in Section 129 for $30, but I just found out that the Eli Young Band will be having a post-concert, along with Fireworks and its Patriotic Tote Bag Night. For more information and to sign-up please visit our website.

Finally, I wanted to provide you some information I have received in regards to Cal/OSHA Regulatory/Legislative Update (as of 03/14/19):

Brush & Wood Chippers
- Cal/Osha Advisory Committee
- Meeting held on 01/29/2019
- Committee discussed Passive Safety Devices for chippers

Employee Access to IIPP
- Proposed changes relating to employee access the IIPP will discussed at next standards board meeting on 3/21/2019 (Pasadena City Hall)
- Must provide the employee with access to the IIPP within 5 days of their request

Petition for Emergency Regulation for Wildfire Smoke
- Petition to develop an emergency standard to protect outdoor workers from wildfire smoke will heard at the 3/21 standards board meeting
- Wants to require implementation of feasible engineering controls such as enclosed structures or vehicle cabs with filtered air for rest and meal breaks. Also additional rest periods and work intensity

Cal/OSHA Emergency Responder Preparedness Program
- Fed/OSHA is planning to initiate a Small Business Advocacy Review panel on emergency response under SBREFA
- Possible rule making would replace Fed/OSHA’s existing Fire Brigade standards with a new comprehensive standard

Kaila Krichmar, CHST
President 2017-2019
Are You Going to Safety2019 in New Orleans?

**Proxy Needed for HoD Meeting**

Each year, representatives from all ASSP chapters meet the Sunday before the Conference to vote on the ballot measures before the House of Delegates. Orange County has two delegates based on our membership count. One of our delegates cannot attend the June 9 meeting in New Orleans and, therefore, we need to designate a proxy to vote on behalf the Chapter.

If you were planning to attend, and could attend this meeting on Sunday June 9 for the Chapter, please contact Interim Delegate Phillip Combest at (714) 715-3815 or phillipcombest@gmail.com or Delegate Georgette Quinn at gquinn2@ca.rr.com as soon as possible. The Chapter can pay for your travel and lodging if needed. Proxy Delegates must be current members of the ASSP Orange County Chapter.
JOIN OCASSP’S COMMITTEE BOARD

Call for Board Nomination/Interest OC ASSP

OC ASSP Needs Your Nominations/Interest for Board of Directors (VP, Secretary, Treasurer, Delegate) for:

July 1, 2019 - June 30, 2020

Submissions: By April 25, 2019 for VP, Secretary, Treasurer, Delegate.

Qualifications: ASSP Member for 1 year & member in good standing.

Include: Nominee name, email, cell/work number, position of interest, and brief statement of why.

Election: May 2019

Please email your nominations / interest and questions to Sharon Dressel, President Elect preselect@orangecounty.assp.org by April 25, 2019.

Thank you in advance for your submissions!

California State University, Fullerton
Center for Insurance Studies Day
April 10, 2019

On April 10, OCASSP Past President Phil Combest represented the chapter and his employer, Great American Insurance Company, at CSUF's Expo for the Center for Insurance Studies. Students from the business, finance, and engineering schools visited exhibitors to learn about careers in the insurance field, including loss control and loss prevention (i.e., “safety” for insurance purposes).

Additional exhibitors include the Orange County Section of the AIHA (and Health Science Associates), Cal/OSHA, OCRIMS, State Compensation Insurance Fund, and many others. Food and pizza was available for everyone, and there was even an appearance by “Tuffy,” CSUF’s mascot!
The JTS has grown to be the Premier EHS Symposium of Southern California. Two ASSP chapters as well as the two founding AIHA sections continue to sponsor the JTS each year. With a diverse membership of over 1000 members, each year the sponsoring organizations of the JTS are proud to attract hundreds of prominent practitioners and dozens of sponsoring companies and exhibitors representing the best in current technology and service to the EHS profession.

CALL FOR SPEAKERS – 2019 JTS

The Southern California Joint Technical Symposium (JTS) announces a Call for Speakers for the Wednesday, October 16, 2019, conference in Carson, California. Interested presenters should submit a proposal to speak for review by the Symposium Planning Committee. If you or someone you know is a dynamic, knowledgeable speaker with a presentation relevant to one of the broad subject areas listed below, please have the below information completed and returned no later than April 1, 2019. Applicants will be contacted a few weeks after the final closing of speaker applications.

POSSIBLE PRESENTATION SUBJECT AREAS

- Occupational Health & Safety
- Industrial Hygiene
- Environmental Issues
- Emergency Management
- EHS Regulatory Issues
- Any Other Topics with Broad Appeal and/or Related EHS Practice

PRESENTATION PARAMETERS

Speaker applications and parameters may be found under the "Speakers" menu on the JTS website, http://www.caljts.com. For more information, contact Yi Tian at (949) 798-3624 or ytian@ramboll.com, or Ed Mendieta, ed@sustainedinc.com, (714) 321-2638.

Registration Opens Late April/Early May!

HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE!
In 2008, the late Charles Sandberg was inducted into the Orange County Safety Hall of Fame, shortly after an illness took him away suddenly. In 2009, the joint OCAIHA-OCASSP meeting was dedicated as the Charles Sandberg Memorial Joint Breakfast.

In the late 1990s Charles served briefly on the OCASSP Chapter board, and was a promising leader, but he left to OCAIHA where he thought his services were more needed.

Like many of us, Charles was a member of both organizations, and he recognized the value of both memberships and our intersecting professional communities. In a time where the national leaders of AIHA and ASSP were bickering not unlike the circus we now see in Washington, Charles and the other local leaders were the original signatories to a symbolic Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) signed by the president and president-elects of both groups at the time: Charles Sandberg (president OCAIHA), Phillip Combest (president OCASSP), Hank Pineda (president-elect OCAIHA), and Christopher Gaylord (president-elect OCASSP).

The MOU pledges mutual support and cooperation on projects of common interest – and we have many. The MOU has been renewed numerous times by the current leaders since it was originally in 2003.

The OCAIHA and OCASSP had its first joint meeting somewhere around 2000, so our recent breakfast (February 20, 2019) would be like the 20th joint meeting together (not to mention well nearly years of success with the Joint Symposium in October).

Members are asked to keep Charles in mind as a friend and professional who represented the values and professionalism that unite us.

Phillip A. Combest, CSP, ARM, CPSI
Director of Awards, Honors & Scholarships
American Society of Safety Professionals
Ronald McDonald House
Walk for Kids 2019
April 28th | 7:00 am
Shoreline Village, Long Beach

For more than 40 years, Ronald McDonald House Charities of Southern California has been dedicated to creating a community where children and their families embrace life and healing with a sense of hope, enthusiasm, courage and joy through the operation of Ronald McDonald Houses, Ronald McDonald Family Rooms, Camp Ronald McDonald for Good Times, a Community Grants Board and four scholarship programs.

This year, ASSP Long Beach will be joining the Ronald McDonald House in the Walk for Kids. Please join us on Sunday, April 28th as we walk the 5k to raise funds for the families of the Ronald McDonald house. Hope to see you there!

For more information on registration or how to donate, please visit our team page: http://www.walkforkids.org/goto/ASSPLB

Hosted by: ASSP Long Beach
Cal/OSHA Standards Board

Adopted Standards

TITLE 8. CALIFORNIA CODE OF REGULATIONS
General Industry Safety Orders
Section 3389(a)
Life Rings and Personal Flotation Devices (PFD) in Marine Terminal Operations

Section 3389(a) of Title 8, California Code of Regulations requires at least one life ring or a personal flotation device (PFD) where employees are exposed to the hazard of drowning. 29 CFR 1917.26(f) requires a life ring where the employees' work exposes them to the hazard of drowning, and 29 CFR 1917.95(b)(1) requires a PFD for those employees who are engaged in work in which they may be pulled into the water while working under certain conditions (working in isolation, etc.). Effective: 4/1/19

General Industry Safety Orders
Section 3999(b)
Guarding of Conveyor Belt Support Rollers - Deletion of Note

Section 3999(b) provides the guarding requirement for pulleys, drums, and sprockets in belt conveyors. It includes an advisory Note stating: "Normally, conveyor belt support rollers need not be guarded unless they create a potential hazard for serious injury". Effective: 7/1/19

Proposed Standards

Telecommunication Safety Orders
Section 8615(g)
Fall Protection in Telecommunications

Public Hearing 1/17/19, on November 18, 2016, Federal OSHA revised 29 Code of Federal Regulations (29 CFR), Part 1910, Walking-Working Surfaces and Personal Protective Equipment (Fall Protection Systems) including Section 1910.268, Telecommunications. Unlike Title 8, Section 8615(g), the revised Section 1910.268(g) does not contain an exception for point-to-point travel on poles, towers, or similar structures. To ensure equivalent safety to that contained in Section 1910.268(g)(1), Title 8, Telecommunication Safety Orders (TSO), Section 8615 is being amended to clarify that qualified telecommunication workers must use fall protection when traveling point-to-point on poles, towers, or similar structures, with the exception of when the employer demonstrates that fall protection is infeasible or creates a greater hazard, and provides fall injury risk control equivalent in effectiveness to that provided by Section 8615(g)(1).
On June 15, 2017, the Board adopted the Proposed Petition Decision regarding Petition File No. 562. The petition decision directed Board staff to convene an advisory committee for the purpose of developing a rulemaking proposal to ensure timely employee access to the employer's injury and illness prevention program (IIPP).

Section 3203 Injury and Illness Prevention Program does not explicitly state that employees are entitled to receive, review, or copy their employer's IIPP. The current proposal is intended to ensure employee access to the IIPP by specifying who can request such access, what information is to be provided, and a timeframe for requests to be fulfilled. The amendments are necessary to clarify that employees have a right of access to the employer's IIPP, and what that access entails.

Cal/OSHA Rulemaking Updates

Electronic Submission of Workplace Injury and Illness Records

Cal/OSHA will convene an advisory committee meeting pursuant to California Labor Code section 6410.2(b) to evaluate how to implement the changes necessary to protect the goals of federal OSHA’s Improve Tracking of Workplace Injuries and Illnesses rule, as issued May 12, 2016.

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Legislation

AB 35 – Worker Safety: Blood Lead Levels: Reporting (Kalra & Garcia)

This bill is identical to AB 2963 that was passed by the legislature and vetoed by Gov. Brown last year. This bill would require the California Department of Public Health to report to the DOSH any instance where a worker’s blood lead level is at or above a certain amount (25 micrograms/deciliter)
Spring 2019 Regional Operating Committee (ROC)

ASSP has nine regions throughout the United States. Region 1 covers Alaska, Hawaii, Washington, Oregon and California and includes 19 ASSP Chapters. Region 1, through its regional vice president and three area directors, guides and mentors its chapters through leadership, assistance and consultation. The ROC meets twice a year (Fall and Spring) with chapter presidents (president-elects).

Members of Region 1 attended the Spring 2019 Regional Operating Committee (ROC) meeting in San Diego, Ca on April 4 and 5th. Meeting as a region is important to further develop knowledge about the Society and all its resources and to communicate and network, and build upon the experience and expertise of the chapter leaders to the benefit of our members.

Thank you to the San Diego Chapter for hosting this year’s Spring ROC. Until next year!

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

There is continued interest in posting jobs on our website. Recruiters and other members want to tap into the local talent of our membership. One of the numerous benefits of ASSP membership is access to open safety positions which are otherwise not advertised. The Chapter breakfats and lunches are an excellent place to network and learn about employment opportunities from other meeting attendees.

Postings will remain on the website for 60 days unless extended by the organization offering the opportunity. Please check our website for current postings at: https://orangecounty.assp.org/current-openings/. There is also a binder with the postings available at our technical meetings.

If you wish to have an opening posted, send it in Word or PDF format to the Job Placement Director, at jobs@orangecounty.assp.org.