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December Meeting:

(Information is below)



January Meeting Preview:

The concept of the January meeting will be to allow member safety professionals to display electronic devices, software, website resources used for auditing or other purposes such as presenting or completing the tasks. If you would like to present your facilities tools, please refer to page 2 of the Newsletter; "Call for Participation" article.

Thursday, December 7th, 2006

4:00 to 5:30 PM Welding
6:00 PM Holiday Social

WELDING

Lincoln Electric Sales Office

3794 Broadmoor SE in Kentwood
West side of Broadmoor between 28th St and 36th St
White building with green stripe

Includes safety handouts and a chance to try your hand at various welding techniques for free. Attire is casual. Cotton works well around welding with leather shoes. PPE available from Lincoln.

Holiday Social

The Grand Rapids Brewing Company

3689 - 28th St SE
North side of 28th between East Beltline and East Paris

\$10.00 for Holiday Social and beverages will be at your cost

Please contact Mike Rabach and let him know if you plan on both meetings or just one.

mike3r@accidentfund.com

(231) 773-6791





Service Recognition

The WM ASSE would like to recognize both Eric VanFleet and Debra Martin for their 25 years of service with the WM ASSE. Thank you for your service!

Call for Participation

Pat Knight is looking for assistance in the development and presentation for the upcoming January 2007 meeting. The concept of this meeting will be to allow other member safety professionals to display electronic devices, software, website resources used for auditing or other purposes such as presenting or completing the tasks. Although products maybe presented, we are not selling anything at this session so salespeople should not be enlisted. The resources or devices you show to our membership is intended only to allow them to understand how the products, services or devices work. You should expect they will ask questions and want additional information on contacts or resources. We may have web demonstrations but they need to be short and restricted due to time demands. Examples of what we have seen in the past at sessions such as this have been PDA devices and software for safety auditing, cameras, web resources and web-surfing sites. If we get a very positive response and have many types of devices, software resources or other products, this will dictate how we conduct the session.

Please call Pat at 616-560-1088 or email at KNIGHTRMS@AOL.com.

Certification

Heather Kubiak of The City of Wyoming has passed her CSP exam. Congratulations Heather!

Jobs

Loss Control Coordinator

A Detroit area unionized chemical plant is looking for a hands-on person with 1-5 years safety experience in manufacturing with a Safety degree or related field. The position reports to the Manager of Loss Control. Please contact Paul Shrenker, PS Associates.

www.psassociatesinc.com
pshrenker@comcast.net
(413) 267-4271

Manager of Safety, Health and Environmental

A Detroit area specialty chemical manufacturer is searching for a person who will be responsible for 2 small chemical plants and will also be visiting customer sites. There will be 3 direct reports to the position and the ideal candidate should have 6+ years of SH&E experience, 3+ years of which should be in a management role. BS Safety, Environmental or related. Prefer local candidates.

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Millennium Search Associates, LLC has various safety management opportunities out side of the Michigan area.

Corporate Safety Manager in Dallas, Texas

Regional Safety Manager in Dallas, Texas

Multi-Site Safety Manager in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

Safety and Loss Prevention Manager in Allentown, Pennsylvania

Safety Manager in New Castle, Delaware

Site Safety Manager in Reno, Nevada

For more details on the positions above visit: www.wmasse.org/jobs.html

If you are interested, contact John Callahan at (973) 758 - 9200.

2007 'SAFETY-ON-THE-JOB' KIDS' POSTER CONTEST

The American Society of Safety Engineers is sponsoring the fifth annual 'Safety-on-the-Job' Kids Poster Contest for children, grandchildren, nieces and nephews of our members as part of the North American Occupational Safety and Health (NAOSH) Week tribute to the importance of occupational safety, health and the environment. NAOSH Week will be held Sunday, May 6 – Saturday, May 12, 2007. The poster contest competition kicks off Wednesday, September 19, 2006 and ends on Valentine's Day, February 14, 2007. All entries must be postmarked by Wednesday, February 14, 2007.

The contest will be broken down into five age groups with the winning poster from each category to be featured on the NAOSH Week 2007 poster. The posters entered will be displayed in Washington, D.C. during NAOSH Week at the U.S. Department of Labor. The Assistant Secretary of Labor for OSHA along with the ASSE President and a representative from the Canadian Society of Safety Engineering (CSSE) will introduce the poster contest winners at the national NAOSH kick-off in Washington, D.C.

The posters will also be displayed at ASSE's annual Professional Development Conference & Exposition to be held in Orlando in June. An independent panel of judges will select the five winning entries that best illustrate the theme 'Safety-on-the-Job.' Prizes will be awarded to all entrants and each age group winner will win a \$1,000 savings bond.

The entry form and contest rules are below. Be sure to read all the rules carefully so that all posters & drawings will be eligible. Before the children begin drawing, we urge you to talk to them about workplace safety and provide examples of what risks occupational safety, health and environmental professionals address every day on the job, and if possible, provide them with examples of workplace situations. Visit www.asse.org/naosh06/ for examples of children's workplace safety posters and ASSE's "Safety Through the Decades" timeline. Have fun!

Visit ASSE's website www.asse.org/naosh06/ for the latest poster contest information, applications, sample posters and past winners.

If you have any questions please contact:

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Save the date!

The 2007 ASSE Annual Conference will be in Orlando, Florida on June 24th through 27th, 2007.

10th Annual Applied Ergonomics Conference Celebrating the Past; Shaping the Future March 12-15, 2007

The 10th Annual Applied Ergonomics Conference features over 20 corporations competing for the prestigious Ergo Cup awards for innovative process improvements plus a new competition for graduate students, the "Ergonomics Student Design Competition", all to be held at the InterContinental Dallas in Addison, Texas. The conference, sponsored by the Institute of Industrial Engineers, also offers keynote speakers, educational sessions, exhibits and plant tours.

For information, visit:
www.appliedergo.org/conference
or call 1-800-494-0460.

SeminarFest 2007

January 21-27, 2007
Las Vegas, Nevada

With 45 seminars ranging from one to three days in length, SeminarFest offers essential technical, management, and skill development topics for the Safety, Health, and Environmental professional. Whether you join us for one day or the full week, this event will satisfy your continuing education needs in safety and health.

Here's How it Works

SeminarFest 2007 offers 45 seminars at one location, the Flamingo Las Vegas. You may register for seminars as needed to complete training and earn up to 5.0 CEUs/COCs or 7.0 CM points. Each seminar is individually priced and discounts are given as you increase the number of seminars you select. Please refer to the [fee schedule](#) for details.

Go Beyond Quality Education

Our special events create networking opportunities to help you make the most of your SeminarFest experience. Please refer to the center page of this brochure for a full schedule of networking opportunities.

Register Today at:
www.asse.org/seminarfest.com
or call (847) 699-2929

MIOSHA Training Schedule - www.michigan.gov/cis

Dec 5	Top 10 Occupational Health Violations and How To Avoid Them.	Holland	Staff	616.331.7180 or coleb@gvsu.edu
Dec 11 & 12	MIOSHA 10 Hour For Construction	Traverse City	Adraine Truss	517.371.1550 or fax 517.371.1131 adrianet@mi.agc.org
Dec 12	MIOSHA Recordkeeping For Construction	Brighton	M. J. Takagi	810.227.6210 or fax 810.227.1840 mjtakagi@hbalc.com
Dec 13	General Fall Protection	Bloomfield Hills	Patricia DuFresne	248.972.1133 or dufresne@cam-online.com
Dec 13	Excavations: The Grave Danger & Mobile Equipment Hazards	Bloomfield Hills	Patricia DuFresne	248.972.1133 or dufresne@cam-online.com
Dec 14	Recordkeeping of Occupational Injuries and Illnesses	Warren	Staff	586.498.4100 or fax 586.498.4101 spagnuolo@macomb.edu

West Michigan Industrial Hygiene Society
in association with
West Michigan Association of Occupational Health Nurses
would like to invite you to attend:

Work-related Asthma Deaths in Michigan

**Speakers: Kenneth D. Rosenman M.D.
Debra Chester M.S.**

**Wednesday, February 14, 2007
Registration and Breakfast at 8:30am
Meeting 9:00am - Noon**

Location: WMU Graduate Center--Beltline
2333 East Beltline SE
Grand Rapids, MI 49546
Cost: \$20.00 per person

Surveillance for work-related asthma has been in place in Michigan since 1988. Approximately 150 patients are reported each year to the surveillance system. The American Thoracic Society consensus statement on asthma states that 15% of asthma in adults is work-related so only a very small percentage of the estimated 60,000 individuals in Michigan with work-related asthma actually are reported. There have been 4 deaths from work-related asthma identified in Michigan in the last 3 years. These deaths will be discussed in the larger context of controlling workplace exposures to prevent and manage this disease.

Dr. Rosenman is a Professor of Medicine at Michigan State University and is Board-Certified in Internal Medicine and Occupational Medicine. He has an active research program in occupational and environmental disease with particular interest in pulmonary disease. He has published approximately 135 articles on occupational medicine and environmental disease.

Ms. Debra Chester, MS is an Industrial Hygienist with the Michigan State University, Department of Occupational & Environmental Medicine. She has been an industrial hygienist for over 22 years performing comprehensive industrial hygiene/safety audits, written associated health and safety plans, and developed and presented employee training as required by the facility and applicable health and safety standards. She is currently the project coordinator and lead field investigator for the Michigan Fatality Assessment and Control Evaluation (MIFACE) research program.

Please pay at the door by Cash or Check, WMIHS does not accept Credit Cards
You will be billed if you make a reservation and cancel after February 7, 2007.
Call Julie Callaway at (269) 329-1237 or email at jcallaway@bdnihc.com for reservations by Wednesday, February 7, 2007

This meeting is pending approval for 0.5CM points through the ABIH.

Please Note: Contact hours for continuing education in nursing will be applied for through the American Association of Occupational Health Nurses, Inc. AAOHN is an accredited approver of continuing education by the American Nurses Credentialing Center's Commission on Accreditation. Approval for credit hours is pending.