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September Meeting:

Details for the meeting are below.
You can RSVP for the event by
Friday, September 12th to
Brenda Wisniewski at:

brenda.wisniewski@gentex.com

October Meeting:

On October 15th, the meeting
topic will be on ISO18001. More
information will be sent when it
is available.

Western Michigan Industrial Hygiene Society In conjunction with the

Western Michigan Chapter of the American Society of Safety Engineers (ASSE) **Proposed Construction Confined Spaces Standard & MIOSHA Update**

On November 28th, 2007 the Occupational Safety & Health Administration published proposed rules for Confined Spaces in Construction (72 FR 67351). The proposed construction rules (29 CFR 1926.1201 et.seq) delineate four types of confined spaces (or five because the employer can determine there are no hazards and not classify the space). The four classes of spaces addressed in the proposed rules are:

1. Continuous System Permit-Required Confined Space (CS-PRCS).
2. Permit-Required Confined Space (PRCS).
3. Controlled-Atmosphere Confined Space (CACCS).
Isolated-Hazard Confined Space (IHCS).

MIOSHA has responded earlier this spring to the Federal Docket ID-OSHA-2007-0026 and has made substantive recommendations based on both its consultation and enforcement experience.

Robert Pawlowski, MS, CIH, CSP is with the Construction Safety and Health Division of the Michigan Occupational Safety & Health Administration (MIOSHA), for the Michigan Department of Labor & Economic Growth (DLEG). Bob began his career with MIOSHA twenty years ago and has been the Director of the Construction Safety and Health Division since 2003. Prior to MIOSHA, Bob had been a member of the Detroit Building Trades, Pipe-fitters Local 636 from 1972 to 1986 and is currently an adjunct instructor for Michigan State University, Institute of International Health, Training and Research in Environmental Health, the Balkans (TREHB).

Bob will be presenting information regarding MIOSHA's views on the Proposed Construction Confined Space Standard. Bob will also provide an update regarding several other MIOSHA standards, program and activities as well as share a few Case Studies of some recent Fatalities investigated here by the MIOSHA staff.

Wednesday, September 17th, 2008

**Registration and Breakfast at 8:30am
Meeting 9:00am - Noon**

Location: WMU Graduate Center--Beltline
2333 East Beltline SE
Grand Rapids, MI 49546

(For Map: <http://gr.wmich.edu/conferences/Beltline/BeltlineDirections2/>)

Cost: \$20.00 per person



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Safety Engineer

Alcoa Howmet, a division of Alcoa Power and Propulsion, a MVPP STAR company and the world's largest manufacturer of precision castings, primarily jet aircraft and industrial gas turbine engines, has a challenging opportunity for a Safety Engineer at their Whitehall, MI operations.

To view the job description and posting, go to:
www.alcoacareers.com, reference #6459.

Seeking Position

Prospective candidate is seeking a Construction safety position in Southwest Michigan. Competent in OSHA 500, excavation and qualified person for scaffolding. Credentials presented upon request. 16 years in the trades.

Contact Joseph Kelly @ 269-323-0344 or Cell 702-578-0218.

For further positions, go to: <http://www.wmasse.org/jobs.html>

Local MIOSHA Training

Sept 17 & 24	Blueprints for your Safety and Health Management System	Grand Rapids	Janine Thomas	616.698.1167 or email jthomas@teagr.org
Sept 18	Lockout (Control of Energy Sources) and Machine Guarding	Jackson	Bill Rayl	517.782.8268 or email at brayl@enterprisegrp.org
Oct 8 & 9	MIOSHA 10-Hour for Construction	Kalamazoo	Adriane Truss	517.371.1550 or email atruss@aqcmichigan.org
Oct 8, 15, 22	MIOSHA General Industry 10 Hour + (Fundamentals of Safety and Health)	Lansing	Sandy Long	517.394.4614 or 866.423.7233 or email to info@safetycouncil.org
Oct 9	When MIOSHA Enforcement Visits	Flint	Sandy Martin, Manager	810.230.9300
Oct 14	When MIOSHA Enforcement Visits	Lansing	Adriane Truss	517.371.1550 or email atruss@aqcmichigan.org
Oct 28 & 29	MIOSHA 10-Hour Construction Course	Grand Rapids	Janine Thomas	616.698.1167 or email jthomas@teagr.org

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Program Meeting Information

Here is a list of the 2008-2009 schedule of meetings for the WMASSE:

Date	Topic
October 15, 2008	ISO 18001
November, 13, 2008	NFPA70E Update
December 12, 2008	Christmas social
January 22, 2009	Ergonomic standard discussion with MIOSHA
February 19, 2009	Respiratory Protection - Cartridge Service Life
March 19, 2009	Crime Scene Investigations
April 2009	Michigan Safety Conference
May, 21, 2009	PDA (more information to come)
June 19, 2009	Golf Outing

Special thanks to the following for planning this years schedule: Jamie Bauer-Johnson Controls (WMASSE Vice President), Charles Hacht (MBTech), Kristen Pakulak (GVSU ASSE Student Chapter President), Brian Becker (Steelcase & WMASSE President), Heather Kubiak (City of Wyoming & WMASSE Program Chairperson).
