President's Message - October 2017

September has been a busy month. I'll start with the ASSE Region 6 Regional Operating Committee (ROC) Meeting. The ROC is comprised of the 14 chapter presidents from across our region. The committee met on September 18 & 19th in Myrtle Beach, SC. One of the agenda items at the meeting was a discussion about the future of our Regional PDC. Attendance to the Regional PDC was off this year. Sometime in the next couple of months you will be receiving a short poll with a few questions about our Region’s PDC. I ask that you please take a few minutes to complete the survey and share your thoughts on ways to improve our Region’s PDC. If you attended the conference we want to hear your opinions, but more importantly if you did not attend the conference please share the reasons why. We also would like to hear what would entice you to attend future conferences. Your responses to the survey will help us formulate a plan to grow and improve the Regional PDC. During the ROC meeting each chapter president was asked to give a presentation on their chapter and any noteworthy activities in their chapter. I touted our success we are having both in our monthly programs and our chapter webinars. We also heard from ASSE President Elect, Rixio Medina, who gave a presentation on some of the issues facing the Society at the national level. The primary focus of his presentation was the re-naming of the Society. Soon we will all be known as the American Society of Safety Professionals.

The ROC meeting left me with a bolstered sense of pride in our chapter. One of the things I am exceptionally proud of is the number of Chesapeake Chapter members sharing their knowledge and expertise at the local, regional and national conferences. We are blessed with an extraordinary level of knowledge, skills and talent in our chapter. Chesapeake Chapter members are regularly featured as keynote speakers and presenters at our local, regional and national PDCs. Our talented members are the bedrock of what makes our programs and webinars so exceptional. That being said, I encourage all of our chapter members to consider presenting at the next regional PDC.
The deadline for submissions is December 1, 2017. Please go to http://region6.asse.org/pdc/call-for-speakers-application/ for more information.

Over the summer I had the opportunity to visit the Carroll County 4H tractor competition. Chesapeake ASSE has sponsored the awards for this competition for several years now. I was thoroughly impressed with the program. I left with a new appreciation for the impact this program is having on Carroll County youth. The competitors are judged on how well they negotiate obstacles while driving both lawn & garden and agricultural equipment. They are also quizzed on their knowledge and recognition of important parts of the equipment, but most importantly these young competitors are taught principles of safe operation while operating the equipment. A lifesaving lesson they may not otherwise receive were it not for this program.

Lastly, I want to remind you about an ASSE campaign that comes with some really great benefits. ASSE’s Member–Get–A–Member campaign rewards society members who refer safety professionals to the Society, and the rewards are pretty sweet; rewards like free renewal of your membership! You will also be entered in a grand prize drawing for a trip to Safety 2018 in San Antonino, TX! You can learn more about the Member-Get-A-Member program at http://www.asse.org/membership/mgam-intro/, or talk to Mary Smith, our chapter Membership Chair and she will be glad to help you.

Sincerely,

Robb Altenburg

President, Chesapeake Chapter ASSE

Chapter Meetings & Webinars

Our monthly chapter meetings are valuable opportunities for professional development, networking and catching up with friends and colleagues.

Take a look below to see what we’ve got in store for you!

You can also view prior Chapter Webinars on the website: http://chesapeake.asse.org/files/

October Chapter Meeting: UNMANNED AIRCRAFT SYSTEMS (UAS) IN THE CONSTRUCTION INDUSTRY

Wednesday, October 25, 2017 | 11:30 AM - 1:30 PM

Flying Unmanned Aircraft Systems commercially requires more knowledge to comply with FAA rules and to safely fly missions. This session will explore how the latest regulations affect UAS operations and will discuss the responsibilities of flying UAS in our industry.

JMT, 40 Wight Avenue, Hunt Valley, MD 21030

Register Here

October Chapter Webinar: CRITICAL HAZARD ANALYSIS

Thursday, October 26, 2017 | 12 PM - 1 PM
Speaker: Paul Esposito, CIH, CSP
President, STAR Consultants, Inc.
Paul.esposito@starconsultants.net
www.starconsultants.net

Register Here

November Chapter Meeting: ERGONOMICS IN THE WORKPLACE

Wednesday, November 15, 2017 | 6:30 PM - 9:00 PM

Liberatore’s, 562 Baltimore Pike, Bel Air, MD 21014

Price/Registration to be announced.

Read More

December Chapter Webinar: TOP 10 COMPUTER WORKSTATION ERGONOMIC MISPERCEPTIONS

Wednesday, December 6, 2017 | 12 PM - 1 PM

Speaker: Steve McCarty, CSP, CAE, CHCM
Senior Risk Control Consultant
Willis Towers Watson

Register Here

December Chapter Meeting: THE HEART OF THE MATTER

Tuesday, December 12, 2017 | 11:30 AM - 3:30 PM

Calling all members, calling all members! Join us for Chesapeake Chapter’s “The Heart of the Matter”, an open mic style meeting where chapter members are invited to make a short 6-page, 10-minute presentation on a topic of their choice. It could be a unique problem you helped to solve, an important lesson learned or a tidbit of technology you just discovered. Not interested in presenting, that’s OK! Come partake of the wit and wisdom of your safety colleagues.

Kelsey’s Irish Pub, 8480 Baltimore National Pike, Ellicott City, Maryland 21043

Register Here
2017 - 2018 Programs Calendar

*Topics are tentative and are subject to change.*

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If you have any suggestions on 2018 topics of interest to membership or if you want to present a mini-topic for the December meeting, please contact Frank at FTiralla@jmt.com

**Coming Events**

The Sustainable Workplace Alliance is returning to Baltimore with our very popular Hazardous Materials Instructor Training (HMIT) Program!

We invite you to join us in October for up to 3 full days of fun, interactive training!

The classes are as follows:

- **October 24th**: 1-Day “Best Practices in Teaching Technical Subjects”
- **October 25th – 26th**: 2-Day “HMIT”

More information can be found here- [www.sustainablewp.org/hmit.php](http://www.sustainablewp.org/hmit.php) and along with the links above you can register from this link as well.
Just as before, all classes are **completely free** to attend since we have been awarded the HMIT Grant from DOT/PHMSA for the 5th year in a row!

**Public Employees Safety Assoc. (PESA) FALL CONFERENCE**

*Work Zone Safety*

**Friday, November 3, 2017 | 8 AM – 4 PM**

**Barkman Kaiser Public Safety Complex**, Laurel Police Department, Partnership Hall, 811 5th Street, Laurel, MD 20707

$30 per person, includes breakfast and lunch

For more information and to register: Email Keith Choi at kchoi@jhu.edu or visit [http://www.jhsphe.edu/erc/pesa.html](http://www.jhsphe.edu/erc/pesa.html)

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**Did you know MOSH offers FREE classes on a variety of safety topics?**

Check out the website for more information: [https://www.dllr.state.md.us/MOSHCalendar/web/content/Home.aspx](https://www.dllr.state.md.us/MOSHCalendar/web/content/Home.aspx)
2017 Chesapeake Chapter ASSE Scholarships

Two $1,000 Scholarships available for qualified applicants!

Follow this link to the application forms! [http://chesapeake.asse.org/education/](http://chesapeake.asse.org/education/)

Contact Barb Ruble bruble@stcenv.com for more information.

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Government Affairs Report

For current information on Federal and Maryland State regulations and safety initiatives, see the Government Affairs Report on the Chesapeake Chapter website.

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Donations Needed for Veterans Drive at 2017 Leadership Conference

This year the Leadership Conference Committee is pleased to continue the charitable aspect to our annual Leadership Conference. During the welcome reception we will be asking attendees to help assemble snack and clothing packages for homeless veterans attending the 2017 Chicago area Winter Stand Down.

The first Veteran Stand Down occurred in 1998 in San Diego, CA. This event brings together homeless vets in a single location to access community resources and supplies needed to begin addressing their individual problems and rebuilding their lives. It is estimated that this program reaches over 52,000 veterans each year.

The Jesse Brown VA Medical Center is the sponsor of the annual Chicago Winter Stand Down, which focuses on winter clothing and housing resources. This event services between 700-800 veterans from the Chicagoland area. They have requested specific items to help make their event a success (see list below). From now until the event we will be collecting supplies with a goal of creating 200 snack packages and 200 pairs of undergarments.

ASSE staff is actively participating in this drive and we are hoping our member Communities will contribute too.

**ITEMS NEEDED**

Please note: Food items should be *snack size*.

**Shelf-stable snack items:**
- Granola Bars
- Jerky Sticks
- Nuts
- Dried Fruit
- Energy Bars
- Trail Mix
• Raisins
• Crackers

**Clothing Items:**
• Undergarments (any size)
• Plain T-shirts (any size)

If you prefer, we can accept gift cards (Visa, Mastercard, etc.) that we will use to purchase additional items on your behalf.

*If mailing your donations or gift cards, please use the address below and arrange to have them arrive no later than **October 10th**.*

Chapter Services
ASSE
520 N. Northwest Hwy
Park Ridge, IL 60068

Please contact [Chapter Services](mailto:ChapterServices) with questions and thank you in advance for your donations!

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**ASSE Bylaw Amendments – Term Limits**

**Due Oct 31st to Paul Esposito, Chesapeake ASSE Delegate**

I request all interested parties let me know their thoughts on the following....

Review the e-motion package below recommending revising the term limits for the following positions: Vice President, Finance, Council Vice Presidents, Regional Vice Presidents, Area Directors. The package contains the motion from the ASSE Board of Directors, revised copies of the ASSE Bylaws both clean and marked, and June 2016 approved Bylaws for your reference. This motion has been approved by the ASSE Board of Directors and Bylaws Committee.

The implementation plans, which include an FAQ, developed by the Council on Region Affairs (CoRA) and the Board of Directors are also provided for your information & reference.

[https://www.asse.org/assets/1/7/Motion_Package.zip](https://www.asse.org/assets/1/7/Motion_Package.zip)

- Motion
- Bylaws Revision ([Marked-up/Clean](#))
- [Implementation Plan & FAQ (VP-Finance & Council VP)](#)
- [Implementation Plan (Regional)](#)
- [Current Bylaws](#)

Thank you.

Paul Esposito, CIH, CSP
Chesapeake ASSE - Delegate
President
STAR Consultants, Inc.
410-218-8451
PAUL.ESPOSITO@starconsultants.net
www.starconsultants.net

Employment Opportunities

See the Chapter website for more information and more job opportunities:
http://chesapeake.asse.org/current-openings/

Industrial Hygienist
ERG

ERG has an opening for a bright, motivated industrial hygienist with a TOP SECRET security clearance to support a federal agency client in Washington, DC. ERG is a nationally recognized consulting firm specializing in occupational safety and health (OSH), environmental science and engineering, economics, risk assessment, information technology, facility management, and training, communications, and outreach. ERG supports government clients in all aspects of OSH program development and implementation. Candidates should have experience conducting facility inspections, coordinating with customers to evaluate and respond to OSH concerns on topics ranging from indoor air quality to ergonomics, preparing and maintaining incident tracking logs, collecting and analyzing OSH data, providing OSH training, and drafting OSH correspondence. Ideal candidates will have, at a minimum, a TOP SECRET security clearance, a B.S. degree in a related field, 5 years of relevant experience, the ability to work well individually and as part of a team, and excellent communication, writing, research, and analytical skills.

We offer competitive salaries and benefits. Please apply at:
EOE/M/F/Vet/Disability

Industrial Hygienist / Indoor Environmental Quality Manager
Howard County Public School System

Under direction of the Chief Operating Officer, the Industrial Hygienist/ Indoor Environmental Quality Manager participates in indoor air quality evaluations to determine the safety and health of classrooms and work areas within the Howard County Public School System (HCPSS). Investigates indoor environmental concerns reported by school system staff, parents and visitors; ensures compliance with federal, state and local indoor environmental health regulations; and monitors compliance with HCPSS preventive maintenance standards. This position works closely with other offices and environmental contractors as needed in developing appropriate responses to indoor environmental issues, compiles and analyzes investigative reports and related records, conducts trend analysis and advises managers, administrators and senior leaders in prevention and mitigation activities related to indoor air quality. This position also responds to public concerns about indoor environmental quality in accordance with
applicable laws, and HCPSS policy, supports health & safety initiatives related to indoor environmental quality, responds as directed to incidents affecting indoor air quality and manages routine projects as directed. The manager has supervisory responsibilities and work that may require the use of respiratory protection and environmental testing equipment as well as standing or walking for long periods.

For more information and to apply: https://www.applitrack.com/hcpsso/onlineapp/JobPostings/view.asp?all=1&AppliTrackJobId=2245&AppliTrackLayoutMode=detail&AppliTrackViewPosting=1&ref=indeed.com

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**Membership**

**Welcome New Chesapeake Chapter Members**

**Chesapeake Chapter Membership Report**

**New Members**

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We look forward to meeting you at the next Chapter Meeting; **remember your first chapter meeting is free!**

**Total Number of Members:**

383

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**Executive Committee**

**Chesapeake Chapter ASSE Goal:** The purpose of this Chapter is to promote the advancement of the safety profession and safety professionals and development of its members in the geographical area served.

The Executive Committee meets on the second Thursday of each month @ 2pm to further these goals. Contact anyone below for more details, and if you would like to participate!

**President:** Robb Altenburg, frank.r.altenburg.civ@mail.mil, 410-278-3162

*Leads the meetings, and creates our messages.*

**Vice President:** Mike Wolf, MWOLF01@harris.com

*Communications and Committee Activities.*

**2nd Vice President:** Leslie York-Hubbard, Lsyork99@yahoo.com

*Membership development.*

**Treasurer:** Robert L. Lawson, Rllawson2@verizon.net

*Keeps us solvent.*
Secretary: Matt Koss, matthew.koss2@gmail.com

Meeting minutes.

Delegate:
Paul Esposito, CSP, CIH, paul.esposito@starconsultants.net. 410-218-8451

Delegates represent us to ASSE National.

Director – Communications: Open

Past President: Paul Esposito, CSP, CIH, paul.esposito@starconsultants.net. 410-218-8451

Keeps us on track.

Specific committees and their chairs are listed below. Please offer your support if you are interested!

Nominations & Elections: Paul Esposito, CSP, CIH, paul.esposito@starconsultants.net. 410-218-8451

Programs Chair: Frank Tiralla, ftiralla@jmt.com
Joe Xavier, joe.xavier@summitsustainabilitysolutions.com
Mike Frederick, jm.frederick.llc@gmail.com

Develops speaker and locations for monthly meetings.

Government Affairs Chair: Rose Overturf, rose.m.overturf.civ@mail.mil

Keeps us up to date on legislative issues. Now posted on the website!

Scholarship & Awards Chair: Barbara Jo Ruble, QEP, CPEA, bruble@stcenv.com

Coordinates the solicitation of nominations, selection of recipients, and awards presentations.

WISE Liaison: Jeanne Sherwood, jsherwood@welladvantage.com

Women in Safety Engineering (WISE) is a common interest group which has been established to foster the advancement of women in the SH&E profession.

Membership Chair: Mary Smith, masmith@ceiwc.com

Welcomes new members, solicits ideas for member participation.

Newsletter Chair: Laura Wickersham, newsletter@chesapeake.asse.org

Does a great job of keeping us informed.

Communication Chairs:
Heather Aviles, haviles@dap.com
Alistair Paget, alistair.paget@macys.com

Coordinates web updates.

Professional Organization Liaison: Jim Lewis, jlewis@mde.state.md.us

PDC Co-Chairs:
Jim Lewis, jlewis@mde.state.md.us
Mary Doyle, mdoyle@jhsph.edu
Robert L. Lawson, Rllawson2@verizon.net
Joseph Opauski, Joseph.Opauski@ngc.com

PDC Vendors: Mike Ginther, CSP, Mike.Ginther@jhuapl.edu. 443-778-6454

PDC is set for April 12, 2018. Speakers, vendors, events, etc!
If you do not wish to receive these emails, please [click here](https://www.magnetmail.net/design/preview.cfm?version=html&message_id=14705969&contentType=MailMessage) to unsubscribe from ASSE Chesapeake Chapter messages.

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