President’s Message - November 2017

I want to take the opportunity of this President’s Message to say congratulations to some of our fellow chapter members. I would like to congratulate the following members for their milestone membership anniversaries:

- Daniel Anna, 25 years
- Rose Overturf, 25 years
- Mary Pulz, 25 years
- Lisa Spencer, 25 years
- Walter Rothfuss, 40 years

I applaud your dedication to the safety and health profession, and thank you for your continued support of the Society! I would also like to welcome Amanda Albert, Atefeh Malekinezhad, Joshua David Kraushaar and Prentiss Hammons to the Chesapeake Chapter. Amanda, Atefeh, Joshua and Prentiss are ASSE student members who have recently graduated. They are just beginning their journey to a professionally rewarding experience in the Society. I look forward to meeting each of you at an upcoming chapter meeting!

Every October the Chesapeake Chapter sends two members of the Executive Committee to the ASSE Leadership Conference in Chicago, Ill. A few years ago I had the opportunity to attend and found it to be an enriching and rewarding experience. The Leadership Conference not only develops chapter leaders, but it is focused on best practices aimed at making the Society membership experience better. Information shared at the Leadership Conference is also transferrable to the workplace as well as
everyday life. This year the chapter sent Mary Smith, our Membership Chairperson and Leslie York-Hubbard, our second Vice President. The conference featured keynote speaker David Marquet, Captain, USN (Ret.) who commanded the USS Santa Fe, a Los Angeles class nuclear submarine. David is the author of “Turn the Ship Around: A True Story of Turning Followers into Leaders.” If this leadership conference sounds like something that might interest you I encourage you to send me, or any member of the chapter leadership team, an email and ask how you can be more involved.

Lastly, November 11\textsuperscript{th} is Veteran’s Day. To those chapter members who have worn the uniform of the United States of America, I want to take this opportunity to say thank you for your service to our great country. I would also like to wish my Marine brothers and sisters in the chapter a very happy 242\textsuperscript{nd} birthday! Semper Fidelis.

Sincerely,

Robb Altenburg
President, Chesapeake Chapter ASSE

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**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/](http://chesapeake.asse.org/files/)*

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**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*

Speaker: Dr. Matthew Lepito, Performance Spine & Rehab Center

Cost of dinner: $30 payable to Libertore’s
Cost of Meeting: Free

[Register Here]

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**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
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

News

Chesapeake Chapter Achieved Gold Level Recognition for the 2016-2017 Chapter Year!
The work that goes into achieving this level of success is impressive and greatly appreciated by ASSE. Chapter efforts benefit members and the safety profession as a whole.

Chesapeake Chapter will be listed on the Chapter Recognition page of the ASSE website and will include the chapter President for 2016-2017.

In addition, the Platinum and Gold chapter winners will be recognized at the Chapter Recognition Luncheon taking place at Safety2018 in San Antonio, TX.

ASSE congratulates Chesapeake Chapter on their accomplishment, and thanks them for their work in providing accessible, face-to-face opportunities for ASSE members to become better safety professionals.

2017 Maryland 4H AG Tractor Safety Operator Champion

The Chesapeake Chapter had the fortune to sponsor an outstanding young man, Henry Brunette, in his trip to compete in the 2017 National Youth Engineering Challenge at Purdue University. The contest is designed to give youth who are participating in agricultural tractor and machinery-focused programs an opportunity to demonstrate their knowledge of tractor maintenance and skill in operation, and to compete with other youth in so doing. You can see how challenging the criteria is clicking here for the competition details. There is also a letter from the University of Maryland thanking the Chesapeake Chapter for their support and a personal thank you from Henry for helping him get to the national competition, click here to read.

Read More on Region 6 website

Are You an ASP? Reclassify as a Professional Member

ASSE now accepts the associate safety professional (ASP) credential for members who hold a bachelor’s degree and have 5 years’ OSH experience for professional membership. Professional membership is the Society’s highest membership category, and accepted designations and certifications go through an application and approval process.

Certain volunteer opportunities at the Society, region and chapter level require professional membership status, so by accepting the ASP designation, more members can hold key leadership roles.

To reclassify, simply complete the online form; the process is free.
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](mailto:bruble@stcenv.com) for more information.

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Submit Your Scholarship & Grant Applications by Dec. 1

Are you a student seeking a degree in OSH? Or a practicing OSH professional interested in addressing a new knowledge need or studying for a certification exam?

Apply for a scholarship or professional education grant from the ASSE Foundation. Scholarships are available for part-time and full-time students seeking an undergraduate or graduate degree at a college or university in the U.S. Professional education grants are available to all safety professionals seeking certification or attending courses, seminars, symposia, conferences and more.

This year more than $350,000 will be presented to successful applicants, including multiple Impact Scholarships valued at $10,000 or more.

Learn more about the program and specific requirements on the [Foundation’s website](http://chesapeake.asse.org/education/), where you will also find stories about how the Foundation’s programs have helped students and professionals alike.

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Kid’s Need A Chance

By Craig D. Lowry, CSP

What happens when a child loses a parent to a work-related fatality? How do families cope with a dramatic decrease in income because Mom or Dad cannot return to work due to an injury? In many cases, pursuing higher education seems unattainable. No student should be denied the opportunity to pursue an education due to lack of finances.

**Kid’s Chance of Maryland**, believes that a significant difference can be made in the lives of all children and their families when a workplace injury strikes a parent. The organization actively seeks funds to be distributed to deserving scholarship recipient’s, and will be celebrating Kid’s Chance Awareness Week – November 13–17, 2017, so proclaimed by Governor Larry Hogan. The Governor’s Proclamation is designed to increase Kid’s Chance of Maryland’s visibility, and spread the word about scholarship opportunities to everyone.

When I was Chief at Maryland Occupational Safety and Health (MOSH), I often responded to an annual request for occupational mortality data from an organization called **Kid’s Chance of Maryland**. I came to learn more about Kid’s Chance through the networking with the Chesapeake Chapter of Safety Engineers (ASSE).

When workers are seriously injured or killed on the job, the family unit is impacted in so many ways, but many people are unaware of the impact financially. Unfortunately, the impact has a significant
effect upon future planning and dollar reserve for the children’s educational dreams. Education often becomes a back-burner financial dream. Whether it is High School, Trade School or College, opportunities could be altered or destroyed because of this parental loss. That is where Kid’s Chance of Maryland can help.

When children are affected by a parent’s work related serious injury or death, Kid’s Chance can help by offering scholarships allowing them to pursue their education without financial burden that might otherwise prevail. I have personally heard several stories of how kids have secured financial assistance from Kid’s Chance of Maryland allowing them to avoid burdensome debt that often befalls children who have a parent impacted by serious injury or death from a work related incident. Over a million dollars in scholarships has been issued to deserving kids here in Maryland. All the volunteers are passionate about helping more kids in meeting their educational goals.

If your employer has a combined charity campaign please consider making a tax-deductible donation to Kid’s Chance of Maryland, and go to www.kidschance-md.org for more information.

Craig is a professional member of ASSE, Past Chesapeake Chapter President, and Certified Safety Professional. He retired as Maryland’s Deputy Labor Commissioner overseeing MOSH for more than twenty-five years, and is now offering professional services to Baltimore Gas and Electric - Exelon Corp. through Innovative Systems Group, Inc. He is also a volunteer member of the Kid’s Chance of Maryland Board.

ASSE Bylaw Amendments – Term Limits

There were no Chesapeake Chapter member objections to the proposed ASSE Bylaw Amendments this past month. Paul Esposito, Chesapeake ASSE Delegate, voted to approve the amendments.

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.

Employment Opportunities

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

Occupational Safety Manager
Sheppard Pratt Health System

Job Details

- Plan and develop SPHS-wide programs in the areas of safety, emergency preparedness, disaster management, and site assessment for health system main campuses and program locations, and supervises
implementation of the plans and programs.

- Ensure compliance with all federal, state, and local regulations; safety regulatory requirements; and The Joint Commission (TJC) standards for environmental and disaster management, Environment of Care, industrial hygiene, disaster preparedness, general facilities planning, safety, and fire safety.
- Develop and maintain effective communication with external entities such as local governmental leadership, police, fire, public health, and other healthcare organizations within the community.
- Direct safety operations and procedures.
- Develop, obtain approval, and manage all policies and procedures concerned with the oversight of these areas.
- Develop training modules and provide training to staff in areas of responsibility as needed.

Requires

- Bachelor’s degree and 5+ years of related work experience, including 2+ years of management experience at a multi-building site. Master’s degree is preferred.
- Must have in-depth knowledge of building management and safety principles, including plant, fire, disaster, security, and life safety, knowledge of occupational safety state and federal regulatory and accreditation requirements (Life Safety Code, OSHA/MOSH, TJC), and knowledge of current development/trends and best practices in disaster and emergency preparedness planning.
- Position requires travel between Health System locations and for external professional meetings up to 20% of work time.

For more information: https://www.healthcaresource.com/sheppardpratt/index.cfm?fuseaction=search.jobDetails&template=dsp_job_details.cfm&cJobId=104158

Read More

Membership

Welcome New Chesapeake Chapter Members

Chesapeake Chapter Membership Report

New Members

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

Total Number of Members:
389

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, solicit 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

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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!

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