



AMERICAN SOCIETY OF  
**SAFETY PROFESSIONALS**

Chesapeake Chapter

PO BOX 8104, ELKRIDGE, MD 21075 | CHAPTER PHONE 443-492-9018  
| [chesapeakeassp@gmail.com](mailto:chesapeakeassp@gmail.com) | [CHESAPEAKE.ASSP.ORG](http://CHESAPEAKE.ASSP.ORG)

## January Newsletter

- President's Letter
- Membership Updates
- Upcoming Events
- News
- Career Opportunities
- Executive Committee

### PRESIDENT'S LETTER



**Robb Altenburg, President, Chesapeake ASSP**

Last month we had another successful “Heart of the Matter” holiday meeting at Kelsey’s Irish Pub in Ellicott City. Once again the chapter donated a truckload of toys to the U.S. Marine Corps Reserve’s Toys for Tots program. During the meeting I talked briefly about opportunity. There are numerous opportunities within our chapter to get involved. Our chapter is always looking for volunteers to help move us forward. Some volunteer opportunities take 10 minutes a month of your

time, some can take a couple hours a month. The opportunities can help you build a strong resume and develop skills that could transfer to your workplace. Please consider giving as little as 10 minutes a month of your time to the chapter and helping to make a great chapter even better.

This month we have an exciting meeting scheduled for January 17. Join us at the Stanley Black & Decker Global Training Facility in Towson. Bring a coworker or Safety Committee member for this informative lunch & learn on Silica. The focus is the right tools for Table 1 compliance. The bonus is the hands-on segment where you can test DeWalt power tools to grind and drill solid blocks of concrete without creating any airborne dust! Remember to wear your safety toe boots and bring your safety glasses and gloves.

Robb Altenburg

President, Chesapeake Chapter ASSP

## MEMBERSHIP UPDATES

### Welcome New Chesapeake Chapter Members!

First Name	Last Name	Company	Date Joined	Member Class
Marisa	Bradshaw		1/1/2019	Member
Denise	Meyer	University of Maryland, Baltimore	1/1/2019	Member

#### Total Number of Current Members:

411

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

## UPCOMING EVENTS

### 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!

If you have any suggestions on 2018 topics of interest to membership, please contact Frank at [FTiralla@jmt.com](mailto:FTiralla@jmt.com)

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

## January Chapter Meeting: SILICA

**STANLEY BLACK & DECKER GLOBAL TRAINING FACILITY**

**Thursday, January 17, 2019 | 12 PM - 3 PM** *(includes hands-on portion)*

*Stanley Black & Decker University/Global Training Facility*

*8701 Mylander Lane M-185 Towson, MD 21286*

Join ASSP Chesapeake at the Stanley Black & Decker Global Training Facility in Towson. Bring a coworker or Safety Committee member for this informative lunch & learn on Silica. The focus is the right tools for Table 1 compliance. The bonus is the hands-on segment where you can test DeWalt power tools to grind and drill solid blocks of concrete without creating any airborne dust!

*Remember to wear your safety toe boots and bring your safety glasses and gloves.*

**ASSP Fee: \$20**

**[REGISTER HERE](#)**

## 2019 CHESAPEAKE CHAPTER PDC

***Save the Date!***

**April 18, 2019**

[Johns Hopkins Applied Physics Laboratory, Kossiakoff Center, 11100 Johns Hopkins Road, Laurel, MD](#)

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

Check out the website for more information:

<https://www.dlir.state.md.us/DLIOutreach/web/content/MOSHHome.aspx>

## NEWS

### 2018 ASSP Chesapeake Chapter Safety Professional of the Year Award *Joe Opauski*

It is my honor and privilege to announce that Joe Opauski has been chosen as our Chapter's 2018 Safety Professional of the Year. Joe is a Senior Environmental, Health & Safety Engineer with Northrop Grumman. His dedication to the environmental, safety and health profession is extraordinary. Aside from Joe's day to day responsibilities as an Environmental, Health & Safety Engineer at Northrop Grumman, Joe actively shapes the next generation of safety professionals helping to recruit EHS interns at Northrop Grumman. He has served as our chapter treasurer and currently co-chairs our chapter's PDC committee. Joe's behind the scenes work with the PDC is critical to its annual success. He is a genuinely kind hearted person who always shares a smile. Congratulations Joe on your well-deserved award!



On November 29, 2018, Frank Tiralla and I presented Joe Opauski with the Chapter SPY award. The presentation was made at Northrop Grumman's annual safety banquet at the National Electronics Museum in Linthicum Heights, MD.

Robb Altenburg  
President, Chesapeake Chapter ASSP

## ***Chesapeake Chapter Leadership Elections***

It is time to consider the leadership of our organization in the next operating year. If you or someone you know in the Chapter is ready to lead, please consider submitting a nomination for any of the Chapter Officer slots.

We are a diverse organization but only about 5% of our members are active in helping to guide us going forward. Old ideas you say,.. you might be correct. Our Chapter needs members to step up and lead and bring new ideas, interests and vigor to this profession locally. If you are wondering about the various leadership positions, just go to this page: <https://chesapeake.assp.org/download/471/> and check out the various leadership positions. No experience you say... we have an OJT program. Yes, we can provide on the job training or you can show us. I invite you to consider becoming more directly involved in your Chapter.

Please forward any nominations or questions directly to the Nomination Committee Chairperson, Craig D. Lowry ([CraigDonLow@Yahoo.Com](mailto:CraigDonLow@Yahoo.Com))

## **Chesapeake Chapter ASSP Scholarships**

### ***Congratulations 2018 Scholarship Recipients!***

*Ethan Alster  
Wyatt Bradbury  
Karley Copperthite*

Applications for 2019 scholarships will open **April 1, 2019**.  
Follow this link for application forms: <https://chesapeake.assp.org/education/>  
Contact Barb Ruble [bruble@stcenv.com](mailto:bruble@stcenv.com) for more information.

## **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](#).

## **CAREER OPPORTUNITIES**

***See the Chapter website for information and job opportunities***

<https://chesapeake.assp.org/current-openings/>

---

## **EHS Manager | GE Aviation**

The EHS Manager for GE Aviation in Newark, DE will demonstrate leadership in communicating EHS business goals, programs, and processes for our Ceramic Matrix Composites manufacturing facility. In this role, you will utilize experience or expertise to solve problems, develop and execute EHS objectives for self and your team, and have the ability to effect short-term and long-term business goals.

**Apply Online:** <https://jobs.gecareers.com/ShowJob/Id/65040/EHS-Manager/>

---

## **HealthSafe | Baltimore**

HealthSafe Is looking to fill an open position in the Baltimore area. They have the need for a CHST or CSP for a 6 to 8 month project. The client is conducting site work / earth work. This is an immediate need.

**Contact:** Ron Mattrella, CSPHealthSafe, Inc., Safety Consultants, (800) 290-4235

---

## **Safety Manager | Service Company Inc.**

Service Company Inc. is seeking a highly skilled and motivated Safety Manager to join our team. This is a full time position that would require you to work both in the office and on site, actively maintaining a safety presence on all CS job sites.

**Resumes can be sent to Katie Taylor, HR Manager –** [katiet@craneserviceco.com](mailto:katiet@craneserviceco.com).

---

## **Site Safety Practitioner | Haztek**

Haztek has multiple opportunities in Northern Virginia Sterling/Dulles. Their work is with the electrical contractor for a building and ground up data center, start-up phase, 5 buildings.... Approximately 5 years and will have 350 employees on site by end of November. M-F starting at 6:30 AM for an 8+ hour day. May go to 6 days/week.

**Contact:** Brian Stahre, Chief Operating Officer, [bstahre@haztekinc.com](mailto:bstahre@haztekinc.com)

---

## **EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

**Chesapeake Chapter ASSP 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](mailto:frank.r.altenburg.civ@mail.mil), 410-278-3162, *Leads the meetings, and creates our messages.*

**Vice President:** Leslie York-Hubbard, [Lsyork99@yahoo.com](mailto:Lsyork99@yahoo.com), *Communications and Committee Activities.*

**2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President:** Frank Tiralla, [ftiralla@jmt.com](mailto:ftiralla@jmt.com), *Membership development.*

**Treasurer:** Mike Wolf, [Michael.Wolf@ESAB.com](mailto:Michael.Wolf@ESAB.com), *Keeps us solvent.*

**Secretary:** Matt Koss, [matthew.koss2@gmail.com](mailto:matthew.koss2@gmail.com), *Meeting minutes.*

**Delegate:** Ned Fitter, *Delegates represent us to ASSE National.*

**Director – Communications:** Heather Aviles, [haviles@dap.com](mailto:haviles@dap.com)

**Past President:** Paul Esposito, CSP, CIH, [paul.esposito@starconsultants.net](mailto: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:** Craig D. Lowry, [CraigDonLow@yahoo.com](mailto:CraigDonLow@yahoo.com)

**Programs Chair:** Joe Xavier, [joe.xavier@summitsustainabilitysolutions.com](mailto:joe.xavier@summitsustainabilitysolutions.com), Mike Frederick, [jm.frederick.llc@gmail.com](mailto:jm.frederick.llc@gmail.com), *Develops speaker and locations for monthly meetings.*

**Government Affairs Chair:** Rose Overturf, [rose.m.overturf.civ@mail.mil](mailto: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](mailto:bruble@stcenv.com), *Coordinates the solicitation of nominations, selection of recipients, and awards presentations.*

**WISE Liaison:** Jeanne Sherwood, [jpsherwood@welladvantage.com](mailto:jpsherwood@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](mailto:masmith@ceiwc.com), *Welcomes new members, solicit ideas for member participation.*

**Newsletter Chair:** Laura Wickersham, [newsletter@chesapeake.assp.org](mailto:newsletter@chesapeake.assp.org), *Does a great job of keeping us informed.*

**Communication Chair:** Heather Aviles, [haviles@dap.com](mailto:haviles@dap.com), *Coordinates web updates.*

**Professional Organization Liaison:** Jim Lewis, [jlewis@mde.state.md.us](mailto:jlewis@mde.state.md.us)

**PDC Co-Chairs:**

Jim Lewis, [jlewis@mde.state.md.us](mailto:jlewis@mde.state.md.us)

Mary Doyle, [mdoyle@jhsph.edu](mailto:mdoyle@jhsph.edu)

Robert L. Lawson, [Rllawson2@verizon.net](mailto:Rllawson2@verizon.net)

Joseph Opauski, [Joseph.Opauski@ngc.com](mailto:Joseph.Opauski@ngc.com)

**PDC Vendors:** Mike Ginther, CSP, [Mike.Ginther@jhuapl.edu](mailto:Mike.Ginther@jhuapl.edu), 443-778-6454

***PDC is set for April 18, 2019. Speakers, vendors, events, etc !***

Working together for a safer, stronger future



If you do not wish to receive these emails, please [click here](#)  
to unsubscribe from ASSP Chesapeake Chapter messages.

American Society of Safety Professionals | 520 N. Northwest Highway, Park Ridge, IL 60068