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PRESIDENT'S LETTER



Frank Tiralla, President, Chesapeake ASSP

If you had asked me if I ever thought I would be President of the Chesapeake Chapter of the ASSP, I would have said, "Not a chance". But here we are... and I'm looking forward to the next chapter year.

First and foremost, I want to thank all of you for allowing me the opportunity to be your elected Chapter President. It's truly an honor. I also want to give a heartfelt thank you to all of the

Executive Committee members who have volunteered in the past. It's your leadership and dedication to this chapter that now requires me and the new EC members to fill some extremely LARGE shoes. I have high hopes for this coming year, and plan to offer our members the same great programs and benefits that you have come to expect from this chapter. Finally, I want to personally thank our outgoing President, Robb Altenburg. Robb and I met more than a few years back, when he was teaching as an adjunct instructor for the Maryland Fire Rescue Institute, and I was a student in his class. During the class, Robb, likely without realizing it, sent me on a journey to become a Safety Professional, and I would not be here today without his guidance and friendship. So, thank you, Robb.

Robb recently mentioned to me that one of my first actions as the new Chapter President was to write this, my first President's message. Racking my brain for ideas, I've decided to write about being a volunteer. After all, the ASSP is deeply rooted as a volunteer organization and I myself am no stranger to volunteer work. But why volunteer in the first place? You're not getting paid, or are you? If you look at the National ASSP's web site, they comment that the "ASSP is a vibrant community of occupational safety and health professionals dedicated to helping our members grow." I can't argue with that as the ASSP truly helps its members reach their highest potential by connecting them with countless resources and great people. Just look at our chapter members. You'll find a wide variety of professionals of different experience levels from various industries, all sharing a wealth of knowledge with each other. So, in a way, those who are involved as a volunteer do get "paid," just in a different form.

During the 2018 National Volunteers Week, the ASSP polled the volunteers and found that 73% agreed that they volunteered based on four important factors. Hopefully you can relate to some of these.

1. A commitment to "pay it forward"
2. Having a voice in the profession
3. Networking
4. Developing leadership skills to succeed professionally

As a result, I want to challenge each of you to become an engaged chapter member by attending a meeting or two and maybe, just maybe, consider stepping up and being a volunteer yourself. To that end, Arthur Ashe, a professional tennis player once said, "Start where you are. Use what you have. Do what you can."

Frank Tiralla

President, Chesapeake Chapter ASSP

MEMBERSHIP UPDATES

There were no new members in June.

Our total membership as of July 1st is 418.

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 2019 topics of interest to membership, please contact Kim Brown, kim.brown@tate.com

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



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June Chapter Meeting Update

Planning Meeting held on June 27th

The Chapter had our 2019-2020 planning meeting on 6/27. Kim Brown our Vice President will be overseeing our Programs and Tours. If you have any suggestions, ideas or would like to help in any capacity please reach out to Kim at kim.brown@tate.com



PRESENTS



2018-2019 HMIT Program

The Sustainable Workplace Alliance is proud to announce it's 2018-19 HMIT Training Program! Three different classes conducted throughout the country!

Attend **1** or all **3 FREE** Training Classes and Learn:

1-DAY TEACHING TECHNICAL SUBJECTS CLASS

- How to effectively teach adult learners
- How to identify creative ideas for student interaction when training
- How to handle difficult personalities in your training class
- To encourage retention of information presented to employees... AND MORE!

2-DAY HMIT CLASS (Hazardous Materials Instructor Training)

- How to understand the DOT Hazardous Materials Regulations (HMR).
- Receive the latest 49 CFR-PARTS 100-185
- Attendees will gain Exclusive Access to the Trainers Dashboard™ An online resource giving you all the tools to become an expert trainer!

3-DAY HAZMAT PREP & RESPONSE CLASS

- Introduce attendees to the 2016 Emergency Response Guidebook and GHS compliant SDS's
- How to interact with first responders when they arrive on scene, and how you fit into the ICS system
- Understand what your workers need to do to wear PPE while working with HazMat... AND MORE!
- This class qualifies for HAZWOPER Refresher Training hours

You're invited
to a **FREE**
Hazardous
Materials
Instructor
Training Class!

sustainablewp.org/hmit.php
863-676-4100



Sustainable Workplace Alliance is entering their SIXTH year of grant-funded training (from DOT/PHMSA) which allows them to develop and deliver no-cost training to the public!

They are bringing their popular Hazardous Materials Instructor Training (HMIT) Program to Baltimore in 2019, and would love to invite local ASSP members and their colleagues to attend as their guests. Anyone is welcome to attend 1, 2, or all 3 classes.

Beginning in February, we will be hosting the first of 3 modules available in the program, a 1-day "Best Practices in Teaching Technical Subjects". Then returning in April with a 2-day "Hazardous Materials Instructor Training (HMIT)-49CFR" class, followed by a 3-day "HazMat Prep & Response class in July.

You can find more information [HERE](#) as well.

The classes to be held in Baltimore are as follows:

February 28, 2019 [1-day "[Best Practices](#)"]

April 4 – 5, 2019 [2-day "[HMIT](#)"]

July 17 – 19, 2019 [3-day "[HazMat Prep & Response](#)"]

This is a great opportunity for members and clients who are **CAIH and CIH to earn 6 technical contact hours of CEU's for the 1-day class, 12 technical contact hours of CEU's for the 2-day class, and 18 technical hours of CEU's for the 3-day class. 36 contact hours' in total!** And since the training is funded by a federal training grant, **there is absolutely no cost to attend!**

Also see the Chesapeake ASSP website for more information:

<https://chesapeake.assp.org/event/>

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

Chesapeake Chapter ASSP Scholarships

Applications for 2019 scholarships are now accepted!

Follow this link for application forms: <https://chesapeake.assp.org/education/>

Contact Barb Ruble 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/>

Principal/Sr. Principal Engineer EHS *Linthicum, MD*

Northrop Grumman Mission Systems Sector is seeking an EHS Engineer to join our Environmental, Health, Safety, and Fire Protection team at the Advanced Technology Laboratories (ATL) site in Linthicum, Maryland. The selected applicant will be responsible for successfully implementing all occupational health related programs and supporting environmental and safety programs.

Fifty years ago, Northrop Grumman opened ATL to create semiconductors for critical military programs. The facility, now a Department of Defense trusted foundry, has delivered more than eight million components that support missions from undersea to outer space and every domain in between. The foundry maintains a wide range of processes in gallium nitride, gallium arsenide, silicon, and silicon carbide in the production of military spec microelectronic chips, some of which are radiation hardened. Nowhere else in the world will you find a single foundry with this broad mix of device fabrication capabilities. A variety of ground-based, aircraft and space systems programs have sourced components from the laboratory.

For more information and to apply: https://ngc.taleo.net/careersection/ngc_int/jobdetail.ftl?job=19017734

Also see the Chapter website for more information:

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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: Frank Tiralla, ftiralla@jmt.com . *Leads the meetings, and creates our messages.*

Vice President: Jim Kane, 4jfkane@gmail.com, *Communications and Committee Activities.*

2nd Vice President: Kim Brown, Kim.Brown@tate.com , *Programs and Tours.*

Treasurer: Anthony Lee, anthony.c.lee.civ@mail.mil, *Keeps us solvent.*

Secretary: James Woodward, jwoodward@mcleancontracting.com, *Meeting minutes.*

Delegate: Ned Fitter, nfitter@mcleancontracting.com, *Delegates represent us to ASSE National.*

Director – Communications: Heather Aviles, haviles@dap.com

Past President: Robb Altenburg, frank.r.altenburg.civ@mail.mil, *Keeps us on track.*

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

Nominations & Elections: Robb Altenburg, frank.r.altenburg.civ@mail.mil

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

Government Affairs Chair: Patrick J Wheltle, CSP, pat0814@comcast.net , *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, 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, *Welcomes new members, solicit ideas for member participation.*

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

Communication Chair: Heather Aviles, haviles@dap.com, *Coordinates web updates.*

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

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