President’s Message – February 2015

Thanks to Tim Burcham, from the U.S. Army Research Laboratory at the Aberdeen Proving Grounds, for his informative presentation on NFPA 70E – Electrical Safety. This meeting was once again well attended. If you haven’t made it to a Chapter meeting recently, you are missing out on some very good presentations and networking opportunities.

Congratulations to Chapter Secretary Leslie York-Hubbard on receiving the Chapter’s Veditz Individual Volunteer Achievement Award at the January Chapter meeting. Leslie received the award for her volunteer involvement with the Aberdeen Proving Ground’s youth STEM program. She provided health and safety advice for the programs projects. The award is named after Harry A. Veditz, the first recipient of the Chapter’s volunteer award back in 1992. Mr. Veditz was the Chapter’s Safety Professional of the Year (SPY) Award in 1986.

Our February meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, February 17, 2015 at 9:00 AM. Eric Hansen, the Director of Safety for Whiting-Turner Construction, will be presenting on the “Successes & Challenges of Managing Construction Safety” with a special emphasis on the safety aspects of the Baltimore Horseshoe Casino construction project.

Our Annual PDC is fast approaching. It will be held at the Johns Hopkins University Applied Physics Laboratory in Laurel, MD on April 23, 2015. The PDC Committee is in the process of finalizing the agenda. It looks like they are once again putting together a great program. Registration will be opening soon.

The nominations period for this year’s Chapter election has closed. The Nominations and Elections Committee will be presenting the slate of Officers. This slate of Officers will be distributed soon. Our election will take place in March at the monthly meeting.

The Coffee Cup Challenge to raise funds for the ASSE Foundation’s Safety Matters Campaign is ongoing. Please consider
making a donation. You can make your donation on the ASSE website. Go to the Foundation page and click on “Donate Now”. From there, click on “Donate”. The ASSE Foundation Contribution Form will come up. To designate your donation for the Region VI coffee cup challenge, choose "Other" (under Safety Matters Fund) and fill in the box with Region VI Coffee Cup Challenge – Chesapeake Chapter. By following this process, you will, if applicable, be able to claim the tax deduction and the Chesapeake Chapter will get credit for your coffee cup challenge donation.

We are always looking for feedback from Chapter members on things like meeting topics & locations, how we can better serve you, or whatever else may be on your mind. If you have any questions, comments, and/or suggestions, please contact me at 443-324-7687 or pwhelte@marylandracing.com.

Hope to see you soon at a Chapter event
Patrick Wheltle - Chesapeake Chapter President

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**February Chapter Meeting**

**Successes & Challenges of Managing Construction Safety**

Managing safety at a high profile, fast paced construction project is no easy task. Join us as Eric Hansen, Director of Safety, Whiting-Turner Construction Company, shares an insider’s perspective on the successes and challenges of managing one of Baltimore’s most high profile construction projects, the Horseshoe Casino. Breakfast will be served.

**Location:** Chesapeake Employer’s Insurance Company.

**Parking/Directions:** 8722 Loch Raven Blvd., Towson, Maryland 21286. Parking available on site.

**Date:** Tuesday, February 17, 2015

**Time:** 9:00 A.M. – 10:30 A.M.

**Cost:** $10.00 per person*, advance registration is required. (Cash or Check Only. No Credit Cards Accepted.)

**Registration:** E-mail chesapeakeasse@gmail.com to register.

Please register by Friday, February 13th, 2015 in order for us to get an accurate count for breakfast.

Check the chapter website for more details [www.chesapeakeasse.org](http://www.chesapeakeasse.org) & contact information.

*Please note if you register and don’t attend you will be billed $10.00 for the meeting.

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**Goddard Space Flight Center's Safety Awareness Campaign Outreach Opportunity**

The Goddard Space Flight Center’s Safety Awareness Campaign Content Committee is seeking additional speakers that may be interested in presenting safety awareness topics particularly those related to situational awareness.
The Goddard Space Flight Center (GSFC) in Greenbelt, Maryland hosts a Safety Awareness Campaign for their civil and contractor personnel every year. The campaign focus is to provide safety awareness presentations to personnel across the center and this year’s theme is on situational awareness. We typically offer a variety of presentations from both internal and external speakers. Below is last year’s Safety Awareness Campaign website and illustrates the type of courses we have offered in the past.

http://sma.gsfc.nasa.gov/sac/

The Campaign is a five day event and is scheduled for the week of April 26th. The GSFC Safety Awareness Campaign Content Committee is seeking additional speakers that may be interested in presenting safety awareness topics particularly those related to situational awareness. This is a great opportunity to communicate a topic of interest and outreach to the GSFC community.

GSFC deadline for speaker confirmation is **February 6th**. If anyone in the chapter is interested in presenting a topic, please contact me at Christopher.quinn@exelisinc.com or 301.823.2586.

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**North American Occupational Safety and Health Week**

North American Occupational Safety and Health Week, or NAOSH Week, occurs every year during the first full week of May. NAOSH Week is intended to raise awareness about occupational safety, health and the environment. The American Society of Safety Engineers (ASSE) joined with the Canadian Society of Safety Engineering (CSSE) and the Interdisciplinary Association of Occupational Health and Hygiene of Mexico, Civil Association , (AISOHMEX) to raise the public's awareness of occupational safety, health and the environment in North America during NAOSH Week. This is just one tool which occupational safety, health and environmental professional members use throughout the year to promote occupational safety aimed at preventing injuries and illnesses.

**2015 Student Safety Awareness Safety Art and Video Contest**

Each year ASSE urges everyone to get involved in NAOSH Week in an effort to better educate the public about the positive benefits a safe workplace provides not only for workers, but for their families, friends, businesses, their local community and the global community. In 2009, more than 4,000 people lost their lives from on-the-job injuries and never made it home. We’d like to move that number to 0. Students are encouraged to get involved with sharing their Safety Awareness Art or Video message to raise awareness and promote the prevention of injuries and illnesses in the workplace. Below is the listing of the age categories for both the art and video contest along with the potential prizes which each student may receive.

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For more information and specific rules, judging, contest prizes please see the following link: http://www.asse.org/newsroom/naosh/

Entries must be received by midnight (CST) on **Sunday, March 15, 2015**.

Hope to see you all there!

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**Chesapeake Chapter Safety Professional of the Year (SPY)**

Now accepting nominations
Dear Member,

The Chesapeake Chapter is now accepting nominations for the Chesapeake Safety Professional of the Year (SPY) Award for the 2014-2015 Chapter year. Nominate a fellow member you think exemplifies the most outstanding safety professional for their accomplishments and contributions in the EHS field as well as our Society.

Contact Mike Ginther via e-mail mike.ginther@jhuapl.edu or call at 443-778-6454 to nominate a deserving member by March 13, 2015.

Mike Ginther, Awards Chair

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**Region 6 Coffee Cup Challenge**

I am issuing "The Coffee Cup Challenge"; I encourage all Region 6 members to consider skipping one cup of coffee per week and direct the cost savings of the one cup towards a donation to benefit the ASSE Foundation Safety Matters Fund. Theoretically, proceeds to the ASSE Foundation could be upwards to $100/year per member OR if one cup is skipped per month the donation proceeds could yield $25/year. I encourage all Chapter Presidents to set the pace for the members in each chapter, with hopes that all Region 6 chapters donate at least $250 at the House of Delegates (HOD) meeting in June 2015 through this coffee cup challenge. This past June the Region VI chapters had a proud showing at the HOD meeting, let’s try to improve on that donation this year through active participation in this challenge.

**To Donate:**

Chapter Members can donate to the “Region 6 Coffee Cup Challenge” by going to [http://www.asse.org/donation/](http://www.asse.org/donation/), click the “Other” radio button and enter “Region 6 Coffee Cup Challenge - Chesapeake Chapter” to direct their funds specifically to the “Region 6 Coffee Cup Challenge”. The Foundation will match your donation with your member, region and chapter info! Goal is for every chapter in Region 6 to participate @ $250.00 or more.

“The Coffee Cup Challenge” is a great innovative way to promote philanthropy with our membership!

Michael Wolf
ASSE Region 6 Vice President

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**2015 Chesapeake Chapter American Society of Safety Engineers Scholarship**

**Purpose & Goal of the Scholarship**

This scholarship was established by the Chesapeake Chapter of the American Society of Safety Engineers (ASSE) to:

- Seek out and encourage qualified and dedicated students on the undergraduate level to continue their education in the occupational health and safety field.
- Support and enhance quality safety education programs at an accredited college or university.

**Funding and Award**

- Funding will come from the Chesapeake Chapter ASSE as a single check paid to the college or University.
- 2, $1000.00 scholarships to be awarded to the qualified recipients.

**Criteria for the Award**
• Must be enrolled in at least the second semester of a credited College or University in the Occupational Health and Safety Degree Program or a Certificate Program.
• Must have completed at least one semester of safety credit courses totaling 9 credits.
• Must be a Maryland resident.
• Must have an overall "B" academic average (i.e., 3.0 or better based on a 4.0 grading system).
• The application along with all the supporting documents including the Program Coordinator/Faculty Advisor Form must be submitted to the Chesapeake Chapter ASSE post marked no later than April 7, 2015. Applications will not be accepted if post marked after April 8, 2015.

Details regarding submission of the application and documentation can be found at the Chesapeake Chapter website here under "Chapter Documents".

Please contact Lisa Foltz, Scholarship Chairperson, with any questions (email lisa.p.foltz@ngc.com)

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**2014-2015 Chesapeake Chapter Topics/Calendar**

As part of the June 2014 chapter meeting, a calendar for 2014-2015 Chapter year has been developed. Please note this calendar is subject to change and is intended for planning purposes.

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**Welcome New Chesapeake Chapter Members**

**Chesapeake Chapter Membership Report - January 2015**

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

Membership Anniversary Landmarks

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Total Number of Members:
369

You can interact with the Chesapeake Chapter ASSE on [Facebook, Twitter and Linked In](http://www.chesapeakeasse.org/) (Search on Chesapeake ASSE http://www.chesapeakeasse.org/).

EC Meets on the second Monday of each month @ 2pm - contact the chapter president for details.

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Delegate: Vacant

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