President’s Message – May 2015

Thanks to everyone who helped plan and attended the 2014 Chapter PDC at The Johns Hopkins University Applied Physics Lab. We had a great conference this year along with a record number of vendors/exhibitors. If you attended the PDC please take some time to complete the on-line evaluation survey. We would really like your input. The date is already set for next year’s PDC. Planning for the 2016 PDC will begin this fall. If you would like to get involved please contact the incoming President Craig Lowry.

We have rescheduled Eric Hanson’s presentation on managing safety for complex / high profile construction projects for the May meeting. The meeting is set for Thursday May 21st at 11:30 AM. Additional meeting details can be found below.

In June, our regular Chapter meeting will be our planning meeting for our 2015-2016 monthly meetings. We need your input. If you can’t attend the meeting please contact any of the Chapter Officers or Programs Chair Robb Altenburg with any suggestions you may have on potential topics and/or speakers.

Congratulations to our newly elected 2015-2016 Officers, President Craig Lowry, Vice President Paul Esposito, 2nd Vice President Mary Smith, Treasurer Bob Lawson, and Secretary Leslie York-Hubbard. Bill Sapero and I will be serving as the Chapter’s Delegates.

Through the years we have had a dedicated group of officers and other members who have kept this Chapter running. If you have ever considered getting more involved in the Chapter, the transition into
the new year with the new officers would be a great time to step up. If you have any questions about serving the Chapter, feel free to contact me or any of the incoming officers.

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 Pat0814@comcast.net.

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

May 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. Lunch will be served.

Location: Kinder Farm Park

Parking/Directions:
1001 Kinder Farm Park Road
Millersville, MD 21108.
Parking available on site.

Date: Thursday, May 21, 2015

Time: 11:30 A.M. – 1:00 P.M.

Cost: $ 20.00 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 Tuesday, May 19th, 2015 in order for us to get an accurate count for lunch.

Check the chapter website for more details chesapeake.asse.org & contact information.
*Please note if you register and don’t attend you will be billed $20.00 for the meeting.

Save the date Thursday, June 18, 2015, Chesapeake Chapter Planning Meeting!

North American Occupational Safety and Health (NAOSH)
1st Place Safety Video Contest Winner
Karley Copperthite, Age 17, Westminster, Maryland

North American Occupational Safety and Health (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.

2015 Student Safety Awareness Safety Art and Video Contest

Students were encouraged to get involved and submit their Safety Awareness Art or Video message to raise awareness and promote the prevention of injuries and illnesses in the workplace. This year Karley Copperthite, from Westminster, Maryland, won first place with her safety video. Congratulations Karley!

Karley Copperthite, sponsored by Joe Opauski, is a senior at Winter Mills High School in Westminster, MD. She is the daughter of David and Denise Copperthite. Karley is currently enrolled to attend the University of Maryland, Fire Protection Engineering Program during the fall of 2015. She has been exposed to both the public and occupational safety environment from her mother, Denise who is an industrial hygienist for Social Security Administration. She is looking forward toward pursuing fire protection engineering degree and ultimately a career in fire protection. Chesapeake Chapter ASSE will be subsidizing her trip to the National PDC in Dallas, Texas so she can receive her award in person. View Karley's video to see why she is a winner!

To see Karley's video and all other video contest winners, please see the following link: http://www.asse.org/newsroom/naosh/naosh-video-contest/

For more information on NAOSH week, please see the following link: http://www.asse.org/newsroom/naosh/what-is-naosh-week/
ASSE Releases Mother's Day Public Service Announcement

ASSE released its first-ever video public service announcement (PSA) promoting women’s occupational safety and health in honor of Mother’s Day, Sunday, May 10th. The 90-second PSA features ASSE President Trish Ennis, CSP, ARM, CRIS, encouraging mothers to avoid workplace injuries so they can return home to their families each day.

“We’re our children’s first line of protection in life no matter what we do for a living; that’s why it’s so important for mothers to make safe workplace choices for ourselves and for our families,” Ennis says.

https://vimeo.com/126179395

Chesapeake Chapter ASSE Awards 2 Scholarships

Lakramon Gregory Wilkins Jr.

Read why this former truck driver decides to go back to school for Occupational Health & Safety. Lakramon will continue his studies at Catonsville Community College of Baltimore in the Fall.

I am seeking an A.A.S. degree in OSHT as a career change. I worked 15 years in the trucking industry as a car hauler. There were times when I was injured due to work hazards that were associated with the job. I understood that as the "norm" until two of my co-workers were killed within an 18 month period. It was then when I decided to go back to school.

Due to my experiences in life, I chose OSHT as my new career path. School was very difficult for me in the beginning because as a truck driver it was hard to be consistent with a school schedule. Therefore I had to make the hard decision with my family to leave my career as a truck
driver so I could attend school. Income was cut in half but completing school has become a personal goal for me. OSHT has been exciting and rewarding. To transition myself into a safety professional I accepted the challenge to gain better public speaking skills by joining Toastmasters, improving my computer skills and taking safety related courses through my employer (Library of Congress) and MOSH. After 3 years of taking classes part time I have developed a thorough knowledge of what is expected as a safety professional. My goal is to obtain a Bachelor's degree in Safety and Health. As a result of pursuing the safety and health profession I have gained a new sense of confidence in myself and overall I feel I am a much better person.

I think I should be awarded this scholarship because I have exemplified dedication, commitment and the courage to become better. My life experiences and education have given me the ability to pay attention to details, evaluate situations and make recommendations for the safety and well-being of others.

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Kenneth L. Glenn II

Safety technician finds his passion to attend college classes in Occupational Health & Safety. Kenneth will be taking classes in the fall at Catonsville Community College of Baltimore.

My name is Kenneth L. Glenn, II, and I am applying for the 2015 Chesapeake Chapter ASSE Scholarship. I am currently working in the Environmental Health and Safety Department at the University of Maryland Medical Center as a Safety Technician and I want to make this job a career because I was always fascinated with helping others since I was a child. And when I started working for the medical center in 2010 as a waste attendant, I wanted to continue that interest. A few months after my start date, I began training in other areas of housekeeping, such as room attendant and floor care, and within a year I became the lead technician in housekeeping.

I was soon asked if I wanted to take on more hours in another department, and of course I was more than happy the Safety Department was offering a part time position as a Pharmaceutical Waste Technician. After a few years of working for both departments, I was finally hired to a full time position within Safety and I feel it has been an honor to work in this field.

Since the day I started full time, I began looking at this field as a career rather than a job, and with a career, higher education is needed. I have wanted to go back to school since I graduated in 2000, but did not have the time or the funds available to do so, until last year when I finally enrolled in the
Community College of Baltimore County majoring in Environmental Health and Safety.

I am hoping that this scholarship will help me further my career by giving me the opportunity and funding to achieve a higher level of education. As with the important things in life, I have made my career and education a top priority and plan on taking this as far as possible. My plans are to have a Master's in Environmental Health and Safety and receiving this scholarship would help in my course of action perfectly.

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**Job Opportunity**

**Senior Safety and Health Specialist**

**Southeastern US**

Fortune 500 Corporation is searching for a Health and Safety professional in the Southeastern US. Ideal candidate will have a minimum 5 to 10 years of experience in an industrial setting. Prefer candidates with chemicals and/or refining experience. Must have strong background working with hazardous chemicals.

This position will be part of a department and reporting directly to the Site EHS Leader. Must have strong communication skills and ability to work in a team environment. The successful candidate will support site operations with safety, industrial hygiene, emergency response and training. Bachelors of Science is required (Chemistry, Engineering, Safety Sciences or related sciences)

Please forward MS Word resume to: tharrell@selectsearchllc.com

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**ASP Certification Study Course**

ASSE NCC and NOVA Chapters are jointly hosting an ASP Certification Prep Course with Langlois, Weigand, and Associates on May 19-21, 2015, which will be held in Washington, DC. Gain the knowledge and confidence to pass the Safety Fundamentals examination leading to the ASP designation with this review of SH&E concepts and test-taking strategies. This workshop will review hundreds of questions addressing all four domains covered in the exam blueprint that will guide you toward full competency in the field of SH&E.

**DATE:** Tuesday, May 19 - Thursday, May 21, 2015 8 a.m. – 5 p.m.  
(List of lunch venues within walking distance to be provided on-site.)

**LOCATION:**
National Association of Home Builders  
BC Conference Rooms  
1201 15th Street NW  
Washington, DC 20005  
Toll free: 1.800.368.5242  
Washington, DC: 202.266.8200

Early (register by 4/17)  Late (after 4/17)
For more information and to register:  http://ncc.asse.org/2015/03/asp/  
You will need to bring a calculator Texas Instruments TI-30X IIS.  Specific functions include two-variable statistics, log, and trig functions.

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**ASSE Region VI**  
**2015 Professional Development Conference**  
**September 30 - October 2, 2015, Myrtle Beach, South Carolina**

**Liaisons Needed**

It is important that each of the Region VI Chapters support and participate in the annual professional development conference each year. The support of each Chapter helps promote the future of the EHS profession and our young safety professionals and helps to drive down administrative costs, through Liaison support, associated with overall management of the conference sessions, speakers, and evaluations.

**Liaison Staffing / Participation:**
Each Chapter is allotted TWO liaisons, who will be paired and have session management responsibilities for each of the breakout sessions associated with the conference. For their service, Liaisons will be provided with a discount registration code that reduces the Conference Registration Fee from $425 to $100! They get to attend for $100! Their commitment requires serving in the liaison role for two sessions and then exploring the rest of the event.

Liaison Duties (or... what you have to do to save 325 BUCKS!):
1. 5:15 p.m. on Tuesday, September 29, 2015 Meet @ Registration Desk for Liaison Orientation (30 minutes)
2. Primary Liaison (1x): Introduce session & speaker; assist entering evaluation scores post session
3. Assistant Liaison (1x): Distribute/Collect Session Evaluations; assist entering evaluation scores post session
4. HAVE FUN!

Details:  http://region6.asse.org/pdc/

Questions? Liaison Chair / Coordinator: Troy Torbett  torbettte@pbworld.com

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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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**Presenters for the 2015-2016 Chapter Year**

Chesapeake ASSE is seeking presenters for Chapter Meetings during the 2015-2016 chapter year, starting with our June 2015 meeting. The Chesapeake Chapter is looking for technically oriented and practical presentations that fulfill the needs of our health and safety members. Lecture, panel discussions and demonstration sessions are requested to enhance members learning opportunities.

The ASSE Chesapeake Chapter invites those interested in presenting at one of our Chapter meetings to contact: president@chesapeake.asse.org

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**"WHERE EVERYBODY KNOWS YOUR NAME"**
An article by Craig Donaldson Lowry

I attended the National Board / American Society of Mechanical Engineers (ASME) meeting last month where I observed Ms. June Ling, who is the associate executive director for Standards and Certification at ASME in New York, receive the 2015 National Board Safety Medal. She is being recognized for outstanding leadership and contributions as the principal driving force in maintaining ASME’s position as the pre-eminent private sector standards developer in the field of mechanical engineering and related disciplines, and also for an unparalleled understanding of the industrial, commercial, and regulatory intricacies in this field as demonstrated by worldwide recognition and respect as the face of ASME codes, standards, and certification programs.

Without a doubt, all of the standards that she has been associated with impact the safety of all persons in the Chesapeake area and throughout the World. Elevator Safety Code, the Boiler and Pressure Vessel Safety Code, the Plumbing Safety Code, Ski Lift and Tramway Safety Code, are just a few of the codes covered. Engineering controls are a critical element in the hierarchy of controls for all ESH Professionals. Although her contributions to safety were extensive from an engineering perspective, most ESH professionals in our area do not know of her name or even her
accomplishments.

And guess what, she does not know your name, or your accomplishments. And unlike the "Cheers" in Boston, where everyone knows your name, .....in everyday safety, most people do not know your name and don't care. But it is what we do everyday that makes the safety difference. June Ling would be a "no name" without you, and she acknowledged that fact in her acceptance speech.

Let me tell you, from my perspective, it is the hundreds, if not thousands of people just like you in the Chesapeake area who do care, and implement or even enforce these standards, that carry the load. It is for this reason that I believe the 2015 Chesapeake Safety Medal should be awarded to YOU! The ESH professional who implements the successful strategies and standard compliance to reduce hazards and allow June Ling to be recognized and get the 2015 Safety Medal.

THANK YOU!

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Government Affairs
Maryland General Assembly

April 2015

*House = HB / Senate = SB*

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Welcome New Chesapeake Chapter Members

Chesapeake Chapter Membership Report - April 2015

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

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Jonathan Fuller 5  
Barbara Ruble 5  

**Total Number of Members:**  
378

You can interact with the Chesapeake Chapter ASSE on [Facebook, Twitter and LinkedIn](https://www.chesapeake.asse.org) (Search on Chesapeake ASSE [chesapeake.asse.org](http://chesapeake.asse.org)).

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