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APRIL, 2008 PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Easter was great, day light saving time started early and we have entered spring. Life is great! Fresh soft crabs can't be far away – mmm.

Due to the fact that Joe Opauski, Treasurer and I were at the March 13-14, 2008 ROC Meeting in Myrtle Beach, SC we could not attend the Chapter Meeting. My thanks go to Bob Lawson our chapter Vice President for filling in for me and providing the following note from the Chapter Meeting at MEMA.

Mr. Ed McDonough of the MEMA Public Information Office hosted the March Chapter Meeting at the MEMA facility in Reisterstown. The Meeting was held in the Emergency Command Center where Ed could demonstrate how emergencies would be monitored, evaluated, classed and then managed. He used an outstanding power point presentation that detailed how MEMA was organized, functioned in emergencies and interfaced with various State and Federal agencies. We were also impressed with the real time camera displays that showed traffic conditions at selected major roads and facilities. We witnessed the actual traffic back-ups at the Bay Bridge due to construction activities. Ed then took us on a tour of the smaller 24/7 MEMA and National Guard Command Centers that monitor conditions on a day -to-day basis.

The Chapter Officer elections were then conducted and the slate as proposed was unanimously elected.

Our April Monthly Chapter Meeting will be the **Professional Development Conference (PDC) at Johns Hopkins Applied Physics Laboratory April 3, 2008** – The PDC is one of the major funding sources for this Chapter so please help out by attending and talking it up with your colleagues. This will be a great event where you can obtain information on a wide variety of topics and network with others. Information has been mailed out asking for vendors who are willing to sponsor this conference and have an exhibit booth.

If you have anything that can benefit the Chapter, please have it to us or better yet to Mike Wolf by the 25th of the month so it can be included in the newsletter which will be going out the first of each month.

Input - Also, if you should have information to share with officers and committee chair people their names are listed adjacent to this article

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each month along with phone numbers and e-mail address. Don't be shy or wait till the last minute to ask questions, make comments or to offer information that can assist the Chapter.

SAVE THE DATES

May 6, 2008 - The "Playing for the Future" - Annual Golf Outing at Patuxent Greens Country Club, Laurel, Maryland. Applications and information for sponsors have been sent out. This is another major event in our Chapter year for supporting the Scholarship Fund. *Please check out website as well.*

45th Anniversary – Our May Chapter Meeting will be on May 14, 2008. This is a milestone for the Chapter and we really want a good showing for this meeting. A lot of work is underway to celebrate this mark in our history. *So please mark your calendar and confirm your attendance as soon as possible.*

Joint Chapter Meeting – The June Chapter Meeting will be a joint meeting with our Chapter and the Chesapeake AIHA. Check the website for more information ...

Please talk these events up as much as possible with colleagues and potential sponsors.

Talk to you next month – If I can assist you any further, please contact me if you have questions and or suggestions on improving what we are doing as a Chapter at dick@lgit.org.

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

We would like to extend a special welcome to the new members of the Chesapeake Chapter. A warm welcome to our newest members:

- Frank Ragone Cintas
- William Brady SAIC
- Jermaine Hunter Haven Homes
- Edmond VandenBosche EBA Engineering

We look forward to meeting you and all other new members at our upcoming meetings!
Current membership in the Chesapeake Chapter is 374 Members.

Existing Members Update Your Contact Information!

It is very important to stay informed of both local and regional ASSE activities. Please take a minute to update your contact information with ASSE. Please check your information to be sure it is accurate. You can do that by going to www.asse.org, or calling customer service at 847-699-2929. Please don't mark "Do not Email". If you do, you won't get important things like meeting announcements, etc. It only takes a minute to stay informed!

JOIN THE FIESTA & EARN A SIESTA

ASSE's 2007 – 2008 Membership Recruitment Challenge.

Each time you sponsor a new full member between April 2007 and June 2008 you'll be entered into the drawing for a trip for two to Mexico* Visit www.asse.org/membership for applications, official rules & more information. *Restrictions apply.

UPDATE FROM THE COUNCIL ON PRACTICES AND STANDARDS (CoPS).

CONSENSUS STANDARD UPDATE

ANSI

Nanotechnology Standards Panel Holds Strategy Session on U.S. Activities

With current reports indicating that the market for nanotechnology-enabled products will reach \$1.5 trillion by 2015, international nanotechnology standardization activities are progressing rapidly. On March 12, 2008, an ANSI Nano technology Standards Panel (ANSI-NSP) strategy session helped educate U.S. Panel members about existing activities in the international standardization arena, develop a strategy for national coordination goals, and identify priority areas where U.S. leadership can be sought, retained, or strengthened. For more information go to: [ANSI Nanotechnology Standards Panel](#)

FEDERAL UPDATE

OSHA

Workplaces with High Injury and Illness Rates Notified by OSHA

Approximately 14,000 employers received a letter this month from OSHA alerting them that their injury and illness rates are above the national average, and that the agency can offer assistance to help fix safety and health hazards. They were based on data reported by approximately 80,000 employers surveyed by OSHA last year (the survey collected injury and illness data from calendar year 2006). Assistant Secretary of Labor for OSHA Edwin G. Foulke, Jr., said the notification process is meant to raise awareness among employers and aid them in their efforts on "eliminating hazards in their workplace." More information can be found at <http://www.osha.gov/pls/oshaweb/>

NIOSH

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH) intends to issue a solicitation in support of the World Trade Center disaster responders. Since September 11, 2001, the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS), CDC, and NIOSH have been active in assessing the health impact of the World Trade Center disaster. There is currently a program in place to provide periodic health assessment examinations, diagnosis, and treatment to the responders in the New York City (NYC) area. CDC intends to award a one year contract to provide comparable services to those responders outside of the NYC area. As the program grows in the next year, the number of responders outside of the NYC area could increase to 6,000 members from its current level of approximately 4,000 members. More information can be found at <http://www2.fbo.gov/>

CDC

Helps Launch Healthy People 2020 Collaboration

On March 17, CDC hosts the first of five Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) regional meetings to discuss the *Healthy People 2020* framework. Healthy People provides science-based, 10-year national objectives for promoting health and preventing disease.

Since 1979, Healthy People has set and monitored national health objectives to meet a broad range of health needs, encourage collaboration across sectors, guide individuals toward making informed health decisions, and measure the impact of our prevention activity. Every 10 years, HHS leverages scientific insights and lessons learned from the past decade, along with new knowledge of current data, trends, and innovations. *Healthy People 2020* will reflect assessments of major risks to health and wellness, changing public health priorities, and emerging technologies related to our nation's health preparedness and prevention



NEXT CHAPTER MEETING: THE 2008 EDUCATIONAL SEMINAR - THURSDAY, APRIL 3, 2008

Who: Your ASSE Chapter, working with the ASSE National Capital Chapter and the AIHA Chesapeake Chapter, and the Johns Hopkins University Bloomberg School of Public Health and Research Center

What: The 2008 Educational Seminar, “Current Topics in Safety, Health & Environmental Issues”

When: Thursday, April 3, 2008 – Early Bird Registration Deadline 03/28/08

Where: Kossiakoff Center, Johns Hopkins Applied Physics Laboratory, 11100 Johns Hopkins Road Laurel, Maryland 20723

Why: Keynote Speaker Dr. John Howard! Up-to-the Minute Issues! Industry Experts! Vendors! Networking! **Only \$95 for Everything with Early Registration!** See the Full Agenda below.

How: Just Click on these Links:

- [Register to Attend](#) (pdf)
- [Print a Copy of the Agenda](#) (pdf)
- [Register as a Vendor or Sponsor](#) (pdf)
- [Check our List of Exhibitors!](#) (ppt)

Agenda

7:00	Registration Opens	
7:30	Breakfast	
8:00	Welcome - Dick Furst , President of ASSE Chesapeake Chapter	
8:30	KEYNOTE SPEAKER: Overview of NIOSH - Dr. John Howard , Director of NIOSH	
9:55	Safety Management Systems Paul Esposito, CSP, CIH ESIS, Inc.	MRSA Trish Perl, MD, MSc Johns Hopkins Medical Institute
10:55	Legal Updates Martha Marrapese, ESQ Keller & Heckman LLP	Indoor Air Quality (Mold) Ed Light, CIH Building Dynamics

11:45	Lunch and Vendor Area Open	
12:45	Fall Protection Systems George Stallings Sales Solutions, Inc.	LEEDS Certification/Green Bldgs. Dave Pratt Lorax Partnerships
1:45	Work Zone Safety Denny Lockhard Denny Lockhard Enterprises Inc.	Laser Safety Dave Bisson Johns Hopkins APL
2:35	Break and Vendor Area Open	
3:00	CLOSING SESSION: Conducting Effective Safety Training - "How to Get Employees to Want to Come to Training Without Bribing Them with Food or Forcing Them to Attend" Bruce A. Donato, CSP Principal, K & A First Aid, LLC	
4:00	Closing Comments - Kevin O'Connor, CIH Secretary Chesapeake AIHA Section	

“PLAYING FOR THE FUTURE” GOLF TOURNAMENT

Tuesday, May 6, 2008



Patuxent Greens Country Club

14415 Greenfield Rd.
Laurel, MD 20708

- **Register Today!** Click for [Registration Form](#) (doc)
- **Be a Sponsor!** Click for [Sponsor Application Form](#) (doc)
- **Find Out More** about [Patuxent Greens Country Club](#)

UPCOMING EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES

“International Association of Fire Chiefs 2008 International Hazardous Materials Response Teams Conference”

May 29 – June 1, 2008, Hunt Valley, MD. <http://iafc.confex.com/iafc/haz08/cfp.cgi>.

NIOSH Word of the Month

Council of State and Territorial Epidemiologists (CSTE) is a non-profit organization established in the 1950s to provide state input to decision making at the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) on matters related to public health surveillance and epidemiology.

NIOSH E News <http://www.cdc.gov/niosh/enews/enewsV5N10.html>



Steel erection can be a dangerous business.

According to the OSHA website, steel erectors suffer approximately 35 fatal accidents per year. In addition, nearly 1,150 annual lost-workday injuries occur.

Do you know your responsibilities?

Join ASSE member William Treharne, Director of Engineering and Administration at *Midwest Steel*, as he takes you through the responsibilities of those in the steel erection profession. In this virtual classroom session, we will cover:

- The legal responsibilities of the design professional.
- The legal responsibilities of the controlling contractor.
- The legal responsibilities of the steel erector.
- The responsibilities of the fabricator and the detailer.

Bonus! – As a special bonus, all paid participants of this virtual class will also receive a PDF version of the A10.13 standard.

This [virtual class](#) will take place on **Wednesday – April 9th**, from 11:00 AM – 12:30 PM (CST).

CEUs Awarded

You will receive .2 CEU credits upon completion of this session and the accompanying post-assessment.

About the Instructor

William Treharne is the Director of Engineering and Administration at Midwest Steel.

Mr. Treharne comes to us with over forty years of building experiences to share. Beyond experiences in structural steel erection, steel and aluminum mill building and bridge erection and repairs – William also has extensive experience in design and build projects, including extensive experience in crane runway repairs and alterations and AS/RS Rack Building design and build projects.

Important Webinar Registration Information

Upon your purchase, you will receive an e-mail asking you to confirm your registration in the webinar. Please follow the instructions in this e-mail. After completing the short registration, you'll receive all the information necessary to participate in this session.

For more information about this session or other ASSE webinars, please contact Dan McNeill at dmcneill@asse.org or 847-768-3437.

Save the Date:

April 9, 2008 from 11:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. central time.

[Details and to register...](#)

Additional Upcoming Webinars:

[Enhancing Safety Training Through Games and Simulations](#)

April 30, 2008 - 11am-12:30pm



UPCOMING CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Date	Event	Location
April 3, 2008	Professional Development Conference Current Topics in Safety, Health & Environmental Issues	John Hopkins Applied Physics Lab Laurel, MD
May 6, 2008	Playing for the Future Golf Tournament Chesapeake & National Capital Chapters	Patuxent Greens Country Club Laurel, MD
May 7, 2008	Occupational Safety & Health Professionals Day	Nationwide
May 14, 2008	Chesapeake Chapter Meeting Chapter 45th Anniversary Celebration Emory Knowles, Northrop Grumman	Historical Electronics Museum (Tour Included!) Linthicum, MD
June 12, 2008	Joint Chapters Meeting Meeting Topic & Speaker TBD	TBD
June 9-12, 2008	ASSE Safety 2008 Professional Development Conference	Las Vegas, NV

For more information, directions and updates or to contact a Chapter officer please visit our website at:

<http://www.chesapeakeasse.org>

Reservations for regular meetings can be made by calling 410-298-4770.

45th Anniversary Celebration



American Society of Safety Engineers
Chesapeake Chapter

May 14, 2008

11:30 a.m.

Northrop Grumman
Historical Electronics Museum

- Honoring our Past Presidents
- Includes Tour of the Museum
- Memories of our first 45 years

For more information, look at our website: www.chesapeakeasse.org

2008 NATIONAL OCCUPATIONAL INJURY RESEARCH SYMPOSIUM

On October 21, 22, and 23, 2008, many of the foremost researchers in occupational injury will convene in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania at the Sheraton Station Square Hotel to present their latest findings and methods at the fourth National Occupational Injury Research Symposium (NOIRS). The National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH) is hosting NOIRS 2008 to provide a forum for researchers to share their work with others. The symposium will consist of contributed oral presentations in concurrent sessions and poster presentations. The presentations will describe research studies, methods, and findings related to traumatic occupational injuries. <http://www.cdc.gov/niosh/noirs/2008/default.html>

CHAPTER WEBSITE

The Chesapeake ASSE Chapter Resources Page is your internet source for listings of:

- Chesapeake Chapter Member Consultants
- Training Services by Chesapeake Chapter Members
- The Chesapeake Chapter Library and Reference Materials
- Safety and Health Website Links

Be sure to check out the Chesapeake Chapter's website often at <http://www.chesapeakeasse.org/index.php>. There you will find the most up to date & useful information about the chapter, job openings, upcoming events in the area and relevant links. Any suggestions are always welcome!

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AWARDS & RECOGNITION

The Veditz Individual Volunteer Accomplishment (VIVA) Award

The Chesapeake Chapter is seeking nominations for the VIVA award. The VIVA award is given to an individual whose voluntary activities within the society and or the community help promotes and/or improves environment, health, and safety (EHS) conditions.

If you know of a member or non-member whose voluntary activities help improve/promote EHS activities submit their information to Mike Ginther (Awards Chair) at mike.ginther@jhuapl.edu or call if you have questions 443-778-6454

CALL FOR TOMORROWS CHAPTER LEADERS

Looking to enhance your career development and professional growth? Here's an easy way...by becoming more involved in the Chesapeake Chapter.

Our friendly and experienced senior membership will help you to develop your leadership, collaboration and planning skills while having fun along the way.

There are many participation opportunities, big and small. Start in a limited way, working with others on a committee or a special project in support of the Chapter and its members. The option of gradually working your way up to larger responsibilities is *always available*. You decide! It's **free** leadership training, so take advantage of the opportunities.

NEWSLETTER INFORMATION

We are always looking for items of interest to chapter members to include in our chapter's newsletter. Please submit articles, job openings, or other announcements to Mike.Wolf@edocorp.com by the 25th of the month.