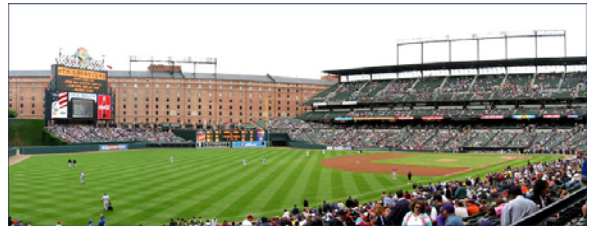


CHESAPEAKE CHAPTER

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June 2008 Newsletter



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JUNE, 2008 PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

I hope everyone had a great and safe Memorial Day. Please have a wonderful summer and be safe.

Well (or should I say WOW!!), my year as your President of our Chapter is just about at a close. I want to thank all of my fellow Officers, those on the Executive Committee and especially you – the Chapter Members for all the support provided to me this past year. It has been my pleasure and I have been very proud to serve as your leader for the Chesapeake Chapter. Being your representative at various Chapter Meetings, ROC/PDC/Leadership Conferences has also been very rewarding.

This year has been both challenging and rewarding for me. I feel it is necessary to note several accomplishments we have made during the year. (This list is not meant to be all inclusive or in any order of priority)

- Retaining many people as Chairs on the Executive Committee
- Expanding the EC Committee by providing Co-Chairs to assist the main Chair
- Enhancing and expanding the Chapter Website (Thanks Wendy)
- Newsletter was sent out every month and was improved (Thanks Bill and especially Mike Wolf for taking over that task)
- Worked on and improved the STARS Report (Thanks Bob)
- Held a very successful PDC at JHU-APL with great attendance, topics and speakers (Thanks to the ASSE-National Capital Chapter and the Chesapeake AIHA Chapter who partnered with us and all those on the PDC Committee)
- We held 11 Monthly Chapter Meetings at various venues with great topics, speakers and food (they tell me if you feed them they will come and they were right).
- The May 6, 2008 - The "Playing for the Future" Annual Golf Outing at Patuxent Greens Country Club, Laurel, Maryland was a very successful event and great day. This to was a joint effort with the National Capital Chapter and us. (Thanks Rush)
- It was a great treat to hold our 45th Anniversary Meeting at Northrop Grumman (Thanks Joe O. for helping g in coordinating this) To see such a wonderful turn out with many Past President's in attendance was a wonderful (Thanks Pat and David).

- We have a few new Officers coming on to serve the Chapter (Mike Wolf, Second Vice President and Pat Raven, Secretary) in addition to names you know who will be moving up the ladder into the President (Bob Lawson), Vice President (Joe Opauski) and (Treasurer) Edward Hobbs. I ask you all to wish them well and provide your support.
- Budget approved for 08-09
- Annual financial report completed
- Officers chapter report completed

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

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 around the first of each month.

Again, I thank each and every one of you and look forward in assisting in anyway as your Past President and Delegate. Have a great summer and be safe - Dick

Bob will talk to you next month – If we can assist you any further, please contact us if you have questions and or suggestions on improving what we are doing as a Chapter.

Update on last months dues increase survey – **ASSE Dues increase was voted down- see below!**

The period for voting, starting April 1 regarding the Board of Directors' motion to the HoD for a dues increase ended on May 16, 2008. After allowing time for those ballots mailed to be received at ASSE Headquarters and counted, the official vote indicates a vote to disapprove the motion to increase membership dues by \$29 from \$120 to \$149. I appreciate the time each of you took to consider the motion and cast a vote on the future of this Society. I also want to express thanks to our fellow members and colleagues of the Finance Committee, Board of Directors and Staff of ASSE for their diligent efforts to present reasoned and sound information bringing this motion forward to the House of Delegates.

Going forward, your colleagues, elected to serve on the Society Board of Directors, will continue to manage the Society in a prudent and responsible manner. We will continue to review the Society's strategic plan and operations in light of our finances. A focus on strong financials will continue as it has for some years. Non-dues revenue will continue to be emphasized. Current services and products will be reviewed and prioritized. New and proposed services and products and expansion of existing programs will be scrutinized in light of this vote outcome. Our colleagues serving on the Finance Committee will review alternative dues adjustment models and bring forward recommendations based on best available data.

For your information and to summarize the vote results, please see below.

The actual vote count results were: Approve the motion: 97 Disapprove the motion: 105 A review of the votes cast shows: 48% of voting delegates voted in favor of the motion. 52% of voting delegates voted against the motion.

Of the total delegates of record and eligible to vote a further review indicates: Approximately 43% voted for the motion and Approximately About 46% voted against the motion. Approximately 11% of delegates did not vote. To each of you, I express my thanks for voting in the context of this great Society and our profession, in service to all members.

Sincerely,

Michael W. Thompson, CSP
Chair, House of Delegates

NEW 2008-2009 CHESAPEAKE CHAPTER OFFICERS

The ASSE Chesapeake Chapter welcomes our new officers!

Our 2008-09 officers were inducted on May 14, 2008 during our very special 45th Chapter Anniversary Celebration:

- **President:** Bob Lawson
- **1st Vice President:** Joe Opauski
- **2nd Vice President:** Mike Wolf
- **Treasurer:** Ed Hobbs
- **Secretary:** Patricia Raven

CHESAPEAKE CHAPTER UPDATED BY-LAWS

Read the ASSE Chesapeake Chapter By-Laws updated and approved by the chapter members on February 13, 2008.

- [ASSE Chesapeake Chapter By-Laws](#) (doc)

EXISTING MEMBERS PLEASE 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.

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:

- Karyn Gross - The Hartford
- Jemme Pursoo

We look forward to meeting you and all other new members at our upcoming meetings!
Current membership in the Chesapeake Chapter is 377 Members.



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SOCIETY ELECTIONS

RESULTS ANNOUNCED APRIL 9, 2008



ASSE JUNE 2008 CHESAPEAKE CHAPTER MEETING

Wednesday, June 18, 2008

Conference on Climate Change Issues and the Environment

The ASSE Chesapeake Chapter, the AIHA Chesapeake Section, and the Maryland Association of Sanitarians, will jointly sponsor a Conference on Climate Change Issues and the Environment. The conference will be held in the auditorium located at the Maryland Department of the Environment.

Leading academic authorities, environmentalists, and engineers will make presentations.

This is a **free** full-day meeting
Lunch is on your own at the MDE Food Court

Location: Maryland Department of the Environment
1800 Washington Blvd.
(Montgomery Park)
Baltimore, MD 21230

Time: 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Cost: *FREE!*

To register, call 410-298-4770.

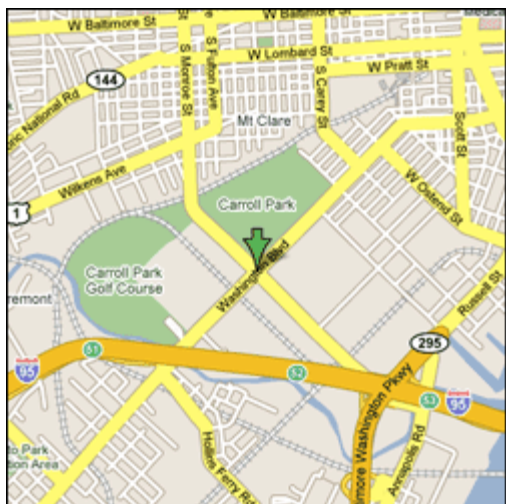
Further details on the program will be forthcoming.

Call Jim Lewis at 410-537-3300 or by email at jlewis@mde.state.md.us if you have any questions about the program.

DIRECTION TO OUR NEXT CHAPTER MEETING & SCHEDULE OF UPCOMING EVENTS

Wednesday, June 18, 2008

**Maryland Department of the Environment Auditorium
Montgomery Park Business Center
1800 Washington Blvd.
Baltimore, MD 21230**



Who: The ASSE Chesapeake Chapter, the AIHA Chesapeake Section, and the Maryland Association of Sanitarians are sponsoring a free conference.

What: All-day Conference on Climate Changes Issues and the Environment

When: Wednesday, June 18, 2008 from 8:30 AM – 4:00 PM. Register by 6/16/08

Where: Maryland Dept. of the Environment (MDE) Auditorium, Montgomery Park Business Center, 1800 Washington Blvd., Baltimore, MD. Park in the Blue Lot. Carpooling is encouraged!

Click the map to the left to customize driving directions to MDE for your carpool using [Google Maps](#).

Why: All-day conference on current issues! Learn from local experts! CM points, COCs, and training hours! No cost for the conference!

How: Register by calling 410-298-4770. Please register by Monday, 06/16/08. There is no cost to attend this conference. Purchase lunch from the food facilities at MDE.

Date	Event	Location
June 9-12, 2008	ASSE Safety 2008 Professional Development Conference	Las Vegas, NV
June 18, 2008	Joint Chapters All-Day Conference Climate Changes and Environmental Issues	MD Dept. of Environment Baltimore, MD
July 2008	Enjoy the Summer!!	
August 2008	Enjoy the Summer!!	
September 11, 2008	Annual Conference and Expo Chesapeake Region Safety Council	Johns Hopkins Applied Physics Lab Laurel, MD
September 12-14, 2008	Region 6 Pre-Conference Sessions	Kingston Plantation Myrtle Beach, SC
September 16, 2008	Region 6 Regional Operating Committee Meeting	Kingston Plantation Myrtle Beach, SC
September 17-19, 2008	Region 6 Professional Development Conference	Kingston Plantation Myrtle Beach, SC
October 2-4, 2008	ASSE Leadership Conference	The Westin - Lombard West Lombard, IL



2008 GOLF OUTTING

THANK YOU AGAIN TO OUR GENEROUS 2008 GOLF TOURNAMENT SPONSORS!

- Law Office of Adele L. Abrams, PC
- Aerobiology Laboratory Associates
- Aerosol Monitoring & Analysis, Inc.
- AIHA Potomac Section
- ASSE Chesapeake Chapter
- ASSE National Capital Chapter
- Chesapeake Region Safety Council
- Chesapeake Safety Resources
- Constellation Energy Group
- COPT Property Management Services
- James G. Davis Construction Group
- District Creative Printing (DCP)
- Freestate Construction Co.
- BE&K Building Group
- High Safety Consulting Services
- IWIF
- Metamedia Training International
- Mother of Safety Professionals, In memory of Valerie Akins
- PS Graphics, Inc.
- Ralph Blitz
- Saf-Gard Safety Shoe Company
- Sandler Occupational Medical Associates, Inc. (SOMA)
- SMACNA
- TNA Beach Corp.
- Metropolitan Safety

We would also like to thank Edy's Grand Ice Cream for providing ice cream all day at the putting green!

Our Golf Tournament Supports the Chesapeake ASSE Educational Foundation

Pictured below are Paul Sullivan, the 2008 Chesapeake ASSE Educational Foundation Scholarship recipient, and John Maynard, the Chesapeake ASSE Scholarship Chair, at the 2008 Educational Seminar on April 3, 2008.



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

The latest issue of CoPS SH&E Report has been posted on the CoPS website here:

[CoPS SH&E Report \(PDF\)](#)

This issue features:

- Interviews with George Pearson & Andre Luongo
- Response to last issue's CoPS Wants to Know question
- News You Can Use
- Standards & Regulatory Updates

All readers are encouraged to submit the following items to the next issue of CoPS SH&E Report, which closes on **July 18, 2008**:

- New activities, achievements or upcoming events within your practice specialty/branch
- Industry reports
- Information to support the Body of Knowledge
- New best practices
- News items
- Potential interview candidates
- Standards and regulatory updates
- Technical articles



Please e-mail your submissions to jcappello@asse.org.

NIOSH link of the month -How can I test my hearing Protection?

Loud noise can permanently damage your hearing. It especially affects the sounds that help you understand speech. Earmuffs, earplugs, and other hearing protection devices can reduce your risk of hearing loss, but only if you get a good fit and wear them properly. Follow the instructions for the sound player on the right side of this page to perform a quick test of whether you are getting at least a minimal 15 decibel (dB) level of protection.

HOW IT WORKS

The test sounds are bands of random noise with a center frequency of 1000 Hz. This is the same type of sound used in standard hearing protector ratings including the "American National Standard Methods for Measuring the Real-Ear Attenuation of Hearing Protectors" (ANSI S12.6). Both tracks are the same, but the second track is 15 decibels (dB) louder than the first. Most hearing protectors will block or "attenuate" sound by more than 15 dB if they are the right size and shape to fit your ears and are worn correctly. A sound that is barely audible at your threshold of hearing without hearing protection should be inaudible though hearing protection even if it's boosted by 15 dB.

Read/Learn more <http://www.cdc.gov/niosh/mining/topics/hearingloss/quickfitweb.htm>

HOD Votes to Change Criteria for ASSE Professional Membership

At the recent House of Delegates Meeting delegates voted to approve a change to the criteria to become a professional member of ASSE. The new criteria will go into effect on July 1, 2008, for those members residing within the U.S., and July 1, 2009, for those members residing outside of the U.S.

To give current members time to adjust to this change, ASSE is waiving the reclassification fee for a short term. Members can reclassify at no cost through an online form.

The new criteria to qualify for professional membership are as follows:

- Shall be a certified safety professional (CSP) or certified industrial hygienist (CIH) in good standing with the Board of Certified Safety Professionals or American Board of Industrial Hygiene, respectively, or
- Shall hold an accredited certification from a body recognized by the Admissions Committee, hold a baccalaureate or higher degree from an accredited college or university and shall have a minimum of 5 years in the aggregate professional safety, health and environmental experience, or
- Shall be registered or licensed by a state agency as a professional engineer (P.E.), hold a baccalaureate or higher degree from an accredited college or university and shall have a minimum of 5 years in the aggregate professional safety, health and environmental experience, or
- Shall hold a doctorate level degree from an accredited college or university in a safety, health and environmental field recognized by the Admissions Committee and shall have a minimum of 5 years in the aggregate professional safety, health and environmental experience.

Thus, to obtain professional member status with ASSE, members must have one of the following certifications: CSP or CIH, or one of the following certifications/licenses, along with a bachelor's degree and 5 years of SH&E experience:

- P.E.
- Certified Health Physicist (CHP)
- Certified Hazardous Materials Manager (CHMM)
- Canadian Registered Safety Professional (CRSP)
- Certified Professional Environmental Auditor (CPEA)
- Chartered Member-IOSH (CMIOSH)
- Chartered Fellow-IOSH (CFIOSH)
- Certified Fire Protection Specialist (CFPS)

OR must have a doctorate level degree in an SH&E field and 5 years of SH&E experience.

Frequently Asked Questions

Q: What has changed?

A: Previously, those members with a bachelor's degree and 10 years' SH&E experience, or those with a CSP or CIH in good standing, were allowed professional membership status in the Society. The new criteria requires a credential from the approved list, a bachelor's degree and 5 years' experience in SH&E; or a doctorate-level degree in an SH&E field and 5 years' SH&E experience.

Q: How does the change to the criteria to become a professional member affect those who are currently classified as professional members?

A: Members who are currently classified as a professional member will not be affected by this change. Once you are classified as a professional member, your classification will not change as long as you continue to meet the requirements (for example, keep your CSP in good standing with BCSP).

Q: How can I reclassify?

A: One of two ways:

- Through the online form. The site will allow no-cost reclassification between now and June 30, 2008.
- Through the membership application via fax or mail. The back page of the application has a "reclassification" option. Complete the Work/Educational History and the Occupational Experience sections. Again, the cost will be waived through June 30, 2008.

Q: If I reclassify to professional member now without a certification, what will happen on July 1, 2008?

A: All members who reclassify to professional member before July 1, 2008, will keep their level of membership at that time (if this includes a certification, it must also be in good standing). All members who join or reclassify after that point will need to meet the new requirements.

Q: I reside outside of the U.S. and have a hard time accessing certification programs. How does this apply to me?

A: For members residing outside of the U.S., the change will not take effect until July 1, 2009. This will provide an additional year to acclimate to the new criteria.

Q: I hold a certification outside of the list currently recognized by ASSE. Can this certification be considered to be recognized for professional membership?

A: The ASSE Admissions Committee is continually reviewing credentials for consideration for Professional Membership. If you would like a credential to be considered, please submit it to [Dave Wagner](#), Manager, Membership Development.

Q: If I do not reclassify, how does this impact me as a safety professional and ASSE member?

A: Professional membership is a mark of distinction in ASSE and the profession. In addition to this recognition, there exist requirements for holding office in the Society that require professional membership (e.g., Board of Directors, practice specialty administrators, etc.).

Q: If I am not a professional member, can I still serve as a chapter president?

A: Yes, chapter presidents must be classified as either a member or a professional member of the Society.

Have other questions or want further clarification? Contact [Dave Wagner](#), Manager, Membership Development.

What Teens Need to Know Before Going to Work

Test your Knowledge with the Chesapeake Chapter ASP/CSP Review Chair -- Pete Holzberg, CSP, ARM, ALCM

Whether you are studying for a certification exam, feeling a little rusty, or just enjoy a challenge, we invite to join in our monthly quiz feature. Each month, Pete will provide 3 questions covering OSHA, ASP/CSP, and CIH matters.

1. Which of the following best describes McGregor's Management Theory "Y"?
 - A. Rigid style management-- intimidation is the only way to motivate their workers to do their jobs.
 - B. Supervisors should set a good example in their application and enforcement of safety rules and regulations
 - C. Employees naturally dislike work and must be forced, controlled and constantly directed to do tasks.
 - D. Employees envision work as a natural obligation, seek increased freedom (and responsibility) and like to achieve results.

2. A punch press machine has an action time of 0.66 seconds. The operator reaction time is 0.75 feet per second. What is the distance an activation switch must be located from the point of operation in order to provide effective "guarding"?
 - A. Have not a clue—not enough information given in question
 - B. 0.1 feet
 - C. 2.5 feet
 - D. 2.0 feet

3. Fly By Nite Computer Company purchases 40% of its components from your company (Inferior Parts, Inc) and 60% of the identical parts were purchased from your competitor, (Sure-Thing, Inc.). In a products liability suit, an independent inspector conducts an investigation and finds out that 10% of your parts were defective and 5% of your competitor's parts were defective. If all the parts were combined into one container in the manufacturing process, what is the probability that the part picked at random came did not come from your competitor.
 - A. 0.57
 - B. 0.70
 - C. 0.20
 - D. 0.43

Answers:

1) Is D,

2) Is C. Distance = Machine Action Time X Reaction Time, $0.66 \text{ sec} \times 0.75 \text{ ft / sec} = \text{about } 0.5\text{ft}$, but there is a safety factor of "5" hence $5 \times 0.50 = 2.5 \text{ ft}$.

3) Is D. Watch out for "trick" wording. Question reads "**Not** from your competitor, implies defective part coming from **YOUR** Company. Calculation: Your company 40 (e.g. out of 100) x 10% = 4 (actual defective) and your competitor 60 (out of 100) x 5% = 3 (actual defective). Total defective (e.g. out of 100 picked) = 3 + 4 = 7 (0.70). But the question asks, probability of part picked is from your company; hence, it would be 4 out (total) of 7 or 0.57 or 57%.

Safety Professionals and the Latino Workforce (SPALW)



CHAPTER WEBSITE

The Chesapeake ASSE Chapter Web 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!

Webmaster Wendy Whitcomb wendy...@mccormick.com

CHESAPEAKE CHAPTER AWARDS & RECOGNITION

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.