



President's Message



September was a busy month which began with the ASSE Region 1 Committee (ROC) meeting. This Region includes chapters from Oregon, Washington, Alaska, California and Hawaii. ROC meetings are held twice each year (Fall and Spring). The meetings offer a great opportunity to collaborate, learn about new and improved processes and, most beneficially, is learning about other Chapter successes and failures. CWC is one of three chapters in Oregon. The other Chapter Presidents for Oregon are: Pam Ahr, Southern Oregon and Kay Coots, Cascade Chapter.



Taken at 2017 Fall ROC meeting. L to R: Guy Silvey, Area 2 Director, Pam Ahr, President Southern Oregon, Illa Gilbert-Jones, Kay Coots, President Cascade Chapter and Corinna Kupelwieser, CWC President-elect.

For more on ASSE Region 1 visit the [website](#).

Each year, at this time, the Society recognizes members with 25, 40 or 50 years of service. The Columbia-Willamette Chapter wishes to thank the following members for this long service and extend our appreciation for their support of ASSE and the safety community!

Ravinder Ahluwalia	40 years
Karen Blythe	25 years
Keven Emerick	25 years
Abiye Obunge	25 years

Fall has arrived and it is time to consider unique seasonal safety strategies. We can expect colder, wetter weather, and increased use of fireplaces, furnaces and heaters to keep warm. Common safety tips include servicing your furnace, testing and replacing carbon monoxide and smoke alarm batteries. With more dark hours, drive defensively and adjust for lower visibility and slick road conditions, especially when kids are present. There are several online resources to help you implement a plan for autumn safety.

- [CDC: Autumn Health and Safety Tips](#)
- [NSC: Fall into Safety](#)
- [Washington L&I: Autumn Safety](#)

Illia Gilbert-Jones

CHAPTER UPDATE



Thanks to Michael Wood, Oregon OSHA Administrator, our September meeting was well attended. Michael has been the first speaker each year and has done so for several years. He provided an update on Oregon OSHA and federal OSHA to Chapter members in attendance.



October membership meeting will be held at Hayden's Lakefront Grill on October 12 starting at 11:30. The topic, "Building Health (Mold/Asbestos/Lead/Radon)," will be presented by Sally Koch. With the start of fall and school, more people are cooped up in indoor work environments. Indoor air and building hazards beyond colds and flu can cause on-going illness and discomfort for workers. Indoor hazards including mold, asbestos, lead, radon, VOC's and formaldehyde are high on the list of building suspects. This talk will briefly review each of the hazards, its potential to be in your workplace, and the maze of rules to determine when to be concerned, what is required, when to test and who is qualified to deal with these issues in the workplace. REGISTER [ONLINE](#) to avoid long lines and your name will be entered in a drawing for a prize.

MEMBERSHIP MEETINGS

Chapter Schedule

Meetings are held at Hayden's Lakefront Grill 8187 SW Tualatin-Sherwin Road, Tualatin, OR, on the 2nd Thursday of each month. Changes to location or time are noted in table below. Fee for members is \$20 and non-members \$25, meal included/ Guests, and potential new ASSE members are always welcome!

Date	Topic	Speaker	Location
October 12 th , 2017 Lunch 11:30—1:30	Building Health (Mold/Asbestos/ Lead/Radon)	Sally Koch Indy Safety, Inc. sallykoch@indy-safety.com	Hayden's Lakeside Grill
November 2 nd , 2017 Lunch 11:30—1:30	ANSI Z490 Update & Effective Training Programs	Jeffrey Dalto Convergence Training jdalto@convergencetraining.com	Hayden's Lakeside Grill
December 14 th , 2017 Lunch 11:30—1:30	Oregon Healthy Workforce Center and Total Worker Health	Dede Montgomery OHSU montgomd@ohsu.edu	Hayden's Lakeside Grill
January 11 th , 2017 Lunch 11:30—1:30	Technology in Ergonomics	Nicolas Patee Workright NW nic@workrightnw.com	Hayden's Lakeside Grill

Date	Topic	Speaker	Location
February 8 th , 2018 Dinner 5:30-7:30	Safety in the Department of the Interior	Bill Simonds USGS wsimonds@usgs.gov	Hayden's Lakeside Grill
March 8 th , 2018 Lunch 11:30-1:30	An Introduction to Collaborative Robotics and Risk Assessment	Mollie Anderson BSI mollie.anderson@bsigroup.com	Hayden's Lakeside Grill
April 12 th , 2018 Breakfast 7:00—9:00	Ergonomics for the Safety Professional	Jon Sebree SAIF jonseb@saif.com	Hayden's Lakeside Grill

Santiam Section

Santiam section meetings are held the 2nd Tuesday of each month at Comfort Suites - Salem, 630 Hawthorne Ave SE, Salem, OR. Membership meetings are free for both ASSE members and non-members. Breakfast is optional and \$5.00.

Date	Speaker	Topic
October 10 4:00 pm	Nate Scott, CSP BSI EHS Services Formerly of Craft Brew Alliance	Brewing Safety. Offsite: Marion-Polk HBA with a tour of Gilgamesh. No host happy hour RSVP Required
November 14	Alfred Bathke, Salem-Keizer Transit	Distracted Driving from the transit driver's perspective
December 12	William White & Laurie LaBrosseur	Section Appreciation, Panic Room Break Out!

Mount St. Helens Section

The Mt. St. Helens section meetings take place on the 3rd Thursday of each month starting at 7:30am and concludes by 9:00am. The meeting is held at the Columbia Inn, [698 NE Frontage Rd, Kalama, WA 98625](http://www.columbiainn.com). Unless otherwise noted, all meetings are held at the Columbia Inn. Members attend free of charge, and are responsible for covering the cost of their own meal. Guests, and potential new ASSE members are always welcome!

All section members will receive an email copy of the section meeting agenda and reminder of the meeting one week prior to the scheduled meeting. A draft copy of the section meeting minutes from the previous month will also be provided and approved at the meeting.

The section executive committee will be meeting on October 11th, 2017 at 7:00am to 8:00am at Longview City Hall and on that agenda will be to lock in the details of the November speaker and the section holiday party in December. More information will come in the November 2017 chapter newsletter.

If you have any questions and need further information, please contact Brian Loos, section chair at any of the contact points below. Hope to see you at our next section meeting!

Thursday October 19th, 2017 From:7:30am-9:00am	Columbia Inn Restaurant 698 NE Frontage Road, Kalama, WA 98625	Christopher Cooke w/L&I Consultation Division	Initiation, Expectations, findings, and Compliance	Dave McNiell	Confirmed on: July 27th, 2017
Thursday November 16th, 2017 From: 7:30am-9:00am	Columbia Inn Restaurant 698 NE Frontage Road, Kalama, WA 98625	James Naramore w/Clark County Sheriff's Office	New Federal Motor Carrier regulations	Dave McNiell	Tentative
Friday December 1st, 2017 From:6:00pm-9:00pm	Currently Reserved for The MSH Section Holiday Party				

Oregon State University Student Section

The Oregon State ASSE student section has been off to a busy start this school, attending several new student events. Kevin Pfau, from SAIF, graciously donated his time and resources to help us during a new student welcome event. He brought a "Be Seen" activity to educate students on the importance of wearing reflective clothing when walking or biking around campus. We will be holding their first membership meeting this Friday, October 6th at OSU's campus. Our meeting will be an introduction to the new executive team and a way for new members to learn more about the organization. Lastly, the four executive team members will all be attending the Future Safety Leaders Conference in early November.

CWU Safety & Health Management Program Earns ABET Accreditation



The Safety and Health Management program at [Central Washington University](#) (CWU), in Ellensburg, WA, was recently accredited by the [Applied and Natural Science Accreditation Commission](#) of [ABET](#), for the first time in the program's history.

ABET accreditation ensures that programs meet standards to produce graduates who are ready to enter critical technical fields that are leading the way in innovation and emerging technologies, and anticipating the welfare and safety needs of the public.

According to CWU, this accomplishment is the culmination of a 6-year strategic process of curriculum revision, program revitalization, growth, industry collaboration, and outcomes assessment and evaluation to meet [ABET](#) standards.

"Some employers will only recruit from ABET-accredited safety programs, so this accreditation is a huge benefit for our students," says Sathy Rajendran, Ph.D., CSP, ARM, LEED-AP. A professional member of ASSE's [Puget Sound Chapter](#), Rajendran is CWU's Safety and Health Management Program coordinator, and chair of the Engineering Technologies, Safety and Construction Department. He is also a member of the Society's [Construction](#) and [Academics](#) practice specialties, and the [Women in Safety Engineering Common Interest Group](#). He also serves on the Outstanding

Student Section Award Evaluation Committee for ASSE's Council on Region Affairs. Rajendran received ASSE's [William E. Tarrants Outstanding Safety Educator Award](#) in 2017.

Developed by technical professionals, ABET criteria focus on what students experience and learn. ABET accreditation reviews look at program curricula, faculty, facilities and institutional support, and are conducted by teams of highly skilled professionals from industry, academia and government, with expertise in the ABET disciplines.

CWU's [Safety and Health Management program](#) is hosting [an event](#) on Oct. 19 to celebrate the achievement.

ASSE Foundation seeks scholarship and grant applications for record distribution

PARK RIDGE, Illinois — The American Society of Safety Engineers (ASSE) Foundation will accept scholarship and [grant applications](#) from Sept. 1 to Dec. 1 for its annual disbursement of financial awards in 2018. A record amount of \$350,000 is available to occupational safety and health students and professionals, thanks to the generosity of corporate donors and the ASSE community.

[Scholarships](#) are available to graduate and undergraduate students, including full-time, part-time and international students studying in the United States. Applicants must be enrolled in an occupational safety or related degree program and have a grade point average of 3.0 for undergraduates and 3.5 for graduates. Professional education grants are available to established safety professionals looking to further their careers through certification, college coursework, conference [registration](#), or similar ventures.

“Our scholarship and grant program has always been a great opportunity for students and professionals to advance their education and careers,” said Foundation Chair David T. Crowley, CSP, CHMM, STS. “Our donors have been terrific at supporting the occupational safety and health profession by providing such valuable resources. It’s more proof that safety matters.”

The 2018 distribution of \$350,000 in scholarships and grants will top the Foundation’s previous record of \$303,000 from earlier this year.

Applications must be completed [online](#), and candidates complete only a single form to be eligible for all available awards. Winners will be notified in April. Recipients are matched with the criteria set forth by the fund’s donor.

Scholarship applicants can get advice on how to create a great application by clicking [here](#) to download a PowerPoint file. Questions can be directed to the ASSE Foundation by emailing assefoundation@asse.org or calling 847.699.2929.

The Foundation – the charitable arm of ASSE that was chartered in 1990 – receives contributions from society members and their families, its chapters and regions, and corporations motivated to support the occupational safety and health profession. It has awarded \$2.3 million in scholarships and grants, helping more than 1,100 students and professionals. The Foundation provides resources for educational advancement, leadership development and research. For more details on the Foundation and its programs, visit www.asse.org/foundation.

About ASSE – Working together for a safer, stronger future

For more than 100 years, the American Society of Safety Engineers has been at the forefront of helping occupational safety and health professionals protect people and property. The nonprofit society is

based in the Chicago suburb of Park Ridge. Its global membership of over 37,000 professionals covers every industry, developing safety and health management plans that prevent deaths, injuries and illnesses. ASSE advances its members and the safety profession through education, advocacy, standards development and a professional community. Its flagship publication, *Professional Safety*, is a longtime leader in the field. Visit www.asse.org and follow us on Twitter and Facebook.

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<p>October 17-19, 2017</p> 	<p>October 24, 2017</p>  <p>Construction Safety Summit</p> <p>Meeting Notice</p> <p>Tuesday, October 24, 2017</p> <p>Lunch: 11:00-12:00 Presentation: 12:00-3:00PM</p> <hr/> <p>***** Meeting Location: <i>John's Incredible Pizza Co.</i> ***** 9180 SW Hall Blvd, Beaverton...Just off Hwy 217 near Washington Square North on Hwy 217...Greenburg Rd Exit to Hall Blvd ---- South on Hwy 217...Washington Sq / Hall Blvd Exit <i>NOTE: Price \$9.99 for lunch and meeting</i></p> <hr/> <p>Trenching and Shoring <i>Presented by David Port, Western Regional Manager, Speed Shore Corporation.</i></p>
<p>November 28 - December 1, 2017</p> 	<p>January 29 & 30, 2018</p> 
<p>February 1-8, 2018</p> 	<p>March 5 & 6, 2018</p> 