

Welcome



COLUMBIA-WILLAMETTE CHAPTER

October Membership Meeting

October 8, 2026

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Chapter President



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Mentorship

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Scholarships

Steve Barrett

Student Affairs

Barbara Aguon

Awards & Honors

Deb Bridges and Paula Jones

Community Service

Terra Wheeler

Newsletter

Linda Chambers Spaulding

Public Relations

Not sure who to ask? Start with any chapter officer.



Volunteer With Us!

A small commitment can make a difference

Help at a meeting or event. Welcome a new member. Share a topic or article.

There is a place for your interests

Mentorship, student connections, community service, WISE and GOSH 2027.

Let's find a role that fits

Talk with Kyle, any officer, or connect with a committee chair.

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Nominations Open!

Help shape the future of CWC leadership!

Treasurer-Elect • Delegate-at-Large
Vice President • Advisory Group

Nominate yourself or a colleague who is ready to serve, connect members, and strengthen the safety community.



Our 2026–2027 Chapter Goals

1. A successful GOSH 2027

By March 4: support 1,250+ attendees, \$35,000+ in cash sponsorships and sale of all marketable exhibit space.

2. A structured partnership with OSU

By June 30: a shared student-section plan, student-dues support, at least two professional-development connections and GOSH involvement.

3. More ways for members to participate

By June 30: expand social events and accessible pathways into mentorship, volunteering, community service and chapter contributions.





OREGON GOVERNOR'S OCCUPATIONAL SAFETY & HEALTH CONFERENCE

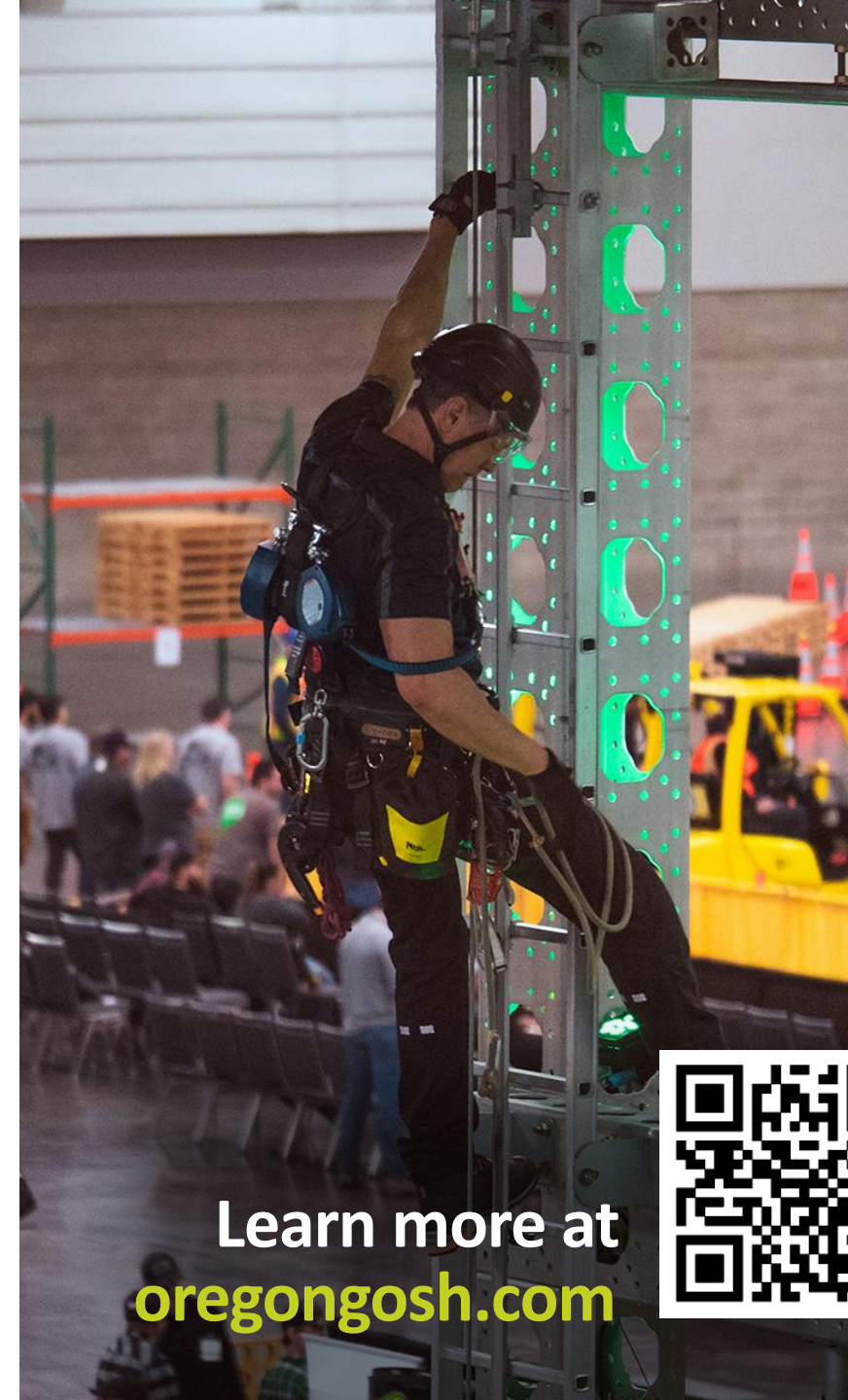


March 1-4, 2027



Oregon Convention Center
Portland, OR

- **ATTEND** important workplace safety and health training
- **NETWORK** with EHS practitioners and safety committee members
- **SHARE** products and services by exhibiting
- **SUPPORT** with sponsorship or your time as a volunteer
- **HONOR** individuals/groups for their safety and health excellence (Awards nominations due 10/12/26)
- **COMPETE** in the Columbia Forklift Challenge!



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GOSH 2027: Sponsorships & Exhibits

Become a sponsor

Opportunities begin at \$250. Help keep the conference affordable.
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Reserve exhibit space

Booth registration is open. Connect your organization with the safety community.
oregongosh.com/exhibit

Help spread the word

Share these opportunities with your employer, vendors and professional network.



Government Affairs Update

Key federal developments affecting the OSH profession



OSHA Regulations: OSHA is reviewing about 20 occupational safety and health regulations, including issues related to fixed-ladder requirements.



Heat Illness Prevention: OSHA updated its National Emphasis Program for indoor and outdoor heat hazards.



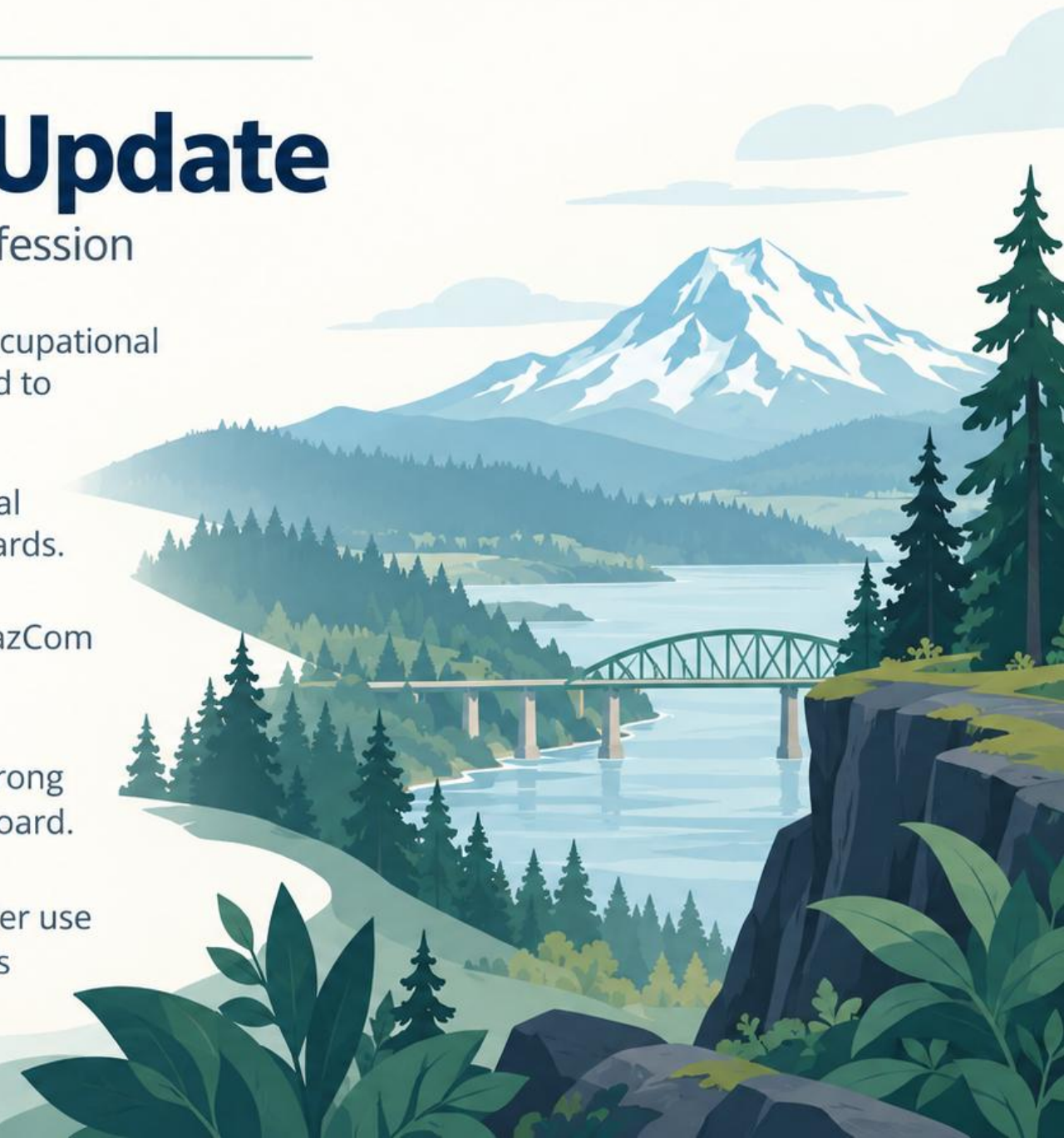
Hazard Communication: OSHA issued updated HazCom enforcement guidance.



Federal Funding: ASSP continues advocating for strong funding for OSHA, NIOSH, and the Chemical Safety Board.



Consensus Standards: ASSP is encouraging broader use of ANSI/ASSP consensus standards, including updates related to PPE and fall protection.



ASSP Columbia-Willamette Chapter Scholarships & Grant



ASSP CWC has awarded
scholarships since 1978!

Academic Scholarships

- ASSP Columbia-Willamette Chapter Leadership Award (\$750)
- Walter G. Thorsell Memorial Scholarship (\$1,500)
- ASSP Academic Scholarship (\$1,500)

Career Development Grant

- Applications accepted year-round
- Certifications, conferences, professional development courses



Scholarship Applications open October 15th, 2026.
Scholarship Applications close February 15th, 2027.
Grant Application is open year-round.



Chapter Safety Professional of the Year (SPY) Award – Nominations Open!

Eligibility. To constitute nominee eligibility, all of the following apply.

- Professional Member, Member, or Associate Member of the Society
- Member of the Columbia-Willamette Chapter
- Employed full time in the safety and health profession
- Not a SPY award recipient in the past five years

Applications Due March 13, 2027!

**Questions?
Please contact Barbara Aguon
at (503) 720-1153 or visit the
CWC website**



Member Engagement Passport

Engagement stats so far:

- 35 members participating
- 119 total points logged across the chapter
- Average 3.4 points logged per member
- 8 members reached 5 pts and will receive ASSP Swag Bags!

- 5 points - Earn an ASSP Swag Bag*
- 10 points by Dec. 1 - Entry into a drawing for one of three \$25 gift cards*
- Top 5 by Dec. 1 - Entry into a drawing for a \$50 gift card
- 20 points by Apr. 1 - Entry into a drawing for one of three \$50 gift cards*
- Top 5 by Apr. 1 - Entry into a drawing for a \$75 gift card
- Top 3 by June 1 - "Most Engaged" Grand Prize Winners (+ bragging rights!)

**Officers and Committee Chairs eligible. Separate drawing for top officer/chair at year-end.*

*Learn more on the
Passport webpage:*



Women in Safety Excellence (WISE) Fall Symposium



Join us for a morning of learning, connection and inspiration.

**Wednesday, October 14th, 9:00am-12:00pm at SAIF Lake Oswego
office**

Cost: \$39 for ASSP members and \$49 for non-ASSP members

Registration required by: Friday, October 9th at 5pm



Limited to 50 participants



Women in Safety Excellence (WISE)



Stay up to date with WISE



Questions about WISE?
Email Jackie at
wise@cwccassp.org

<https://cwccassp.org/chapterwise/>



Santiam Section Fall PDC

Fall Protection Training

Thursday, October 29, 2026

8:00 a.m.–4:00 p.m.

Broadway Commons, Salem
1300 Broadway St. NE, Rooms 206/207

\$150 per person

\$125 each for groups of 5+

Continental breakfast included

Registration deadline: October 19

Details and registration: cwc.assp.org



Dustin Schneider, CHST, QSSP
SureWerx



Please take a quick survey about today's meeting!



CEU forms available at the registration table!



Next month: November 12

Oregon OSHA Update



Renée Stapleton, Oregon OSHA Administrator

Registration and details: cwc.assp.org



October Community Service – Chelsea Hicks Foundation



<https://www.chelseahicksfoundation.org/donate/>



Today's Speaker



Mr. Rob Dahl, CHST

Director of Corporate Health & Safety, NessCampbell
Crane + Rigging

Hard Hats & Hard Truths: Leadership in the Moments that Matter

Please join me in welcoming Mr. Dahl!

