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NEW JERSEY ASSE CHAPTER NEWSLETTER



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Well, is spring here yet? I'm not sure but I know our NJ Chapter has been busy with our spring programming. First off, hats off to our friends at AIHA-NJ Chapter! Our joint meeting last month was a huge success. We had an excellent turnout with over 75 people in attendance. Sylvia Bookbinder & Dave Loughlin from the NJ Dept. of Health and Senior Services spoke to us about "Pandemic Influenza Planning" and Arlette Loeser, Ultimate Workspaces informed the audience about "The Aging Workforce".

Las month, we again supported the Habitat for Humanity in Morristown. Alex Ruiz, CSP gave an excellent orientation program for construction safety as

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LEAD – THE OLD GREY METAL

BY BARRY WEISSMAN

We have heard many stories about the hazards of lead-based paint on children and the problems with young children in the poorer sections of town coming down with learning disorders and other diseases due to eating lead paint chips. But we don't have to worry because it can't happen to our children because we don't have lead paint in our house.

I will be raising questions for you to ponder. I will let you figure out the answers for your workplace. Examine the uses of lead in your workplace and work to develop a "clean policy" – Everyone Goes Home Clean.

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A VISION FOR SAFETY EXCELLENCE: FOUR SAFETY LEADERS BAND TOGETHER TO IMPROVE CONSTRUCTION SAFETY PERFORMANCE

Everyone is a Safety Leader

By Joanne Dean

Just imagine four leading construction firms competing for business but uniting together when it comes to safety. Is this actually possible? As Dr. E. Scott Geller, Alumni Distinguished Professor at Virginia Tech said in an earlier issue of ISHN, "The success of any intervention involving people depends on communication." Yes, it is about communication and these four leaders are doing just that.

The program that stimulated this unity was a recent function held at Montclair State University in New Jersey. These four leaders participated in a program entitled, OSHA for NY & NJ Real Estate Developers and Managers, Resources for Creating & Improving Your Safety Culture. A number of speakers communicated on OSHA standards and also focused on the personal responsibility that is involved in behavior improvement and performance. These four safety leaders participated in a panel discussion on their safety cultures and expressed the need for everyone's participation in the safety process. The main point made was that everyone at every level is a Safety

Leader and has a direct impact on safety excellence.

The response from the audience was excellent and many attendees' had a very different interpretation of what a safety professional is like after hearing each one of us speak about what we do. The audience was enlightened to the fact that we are caring people who want to make a difference to provide an Incident & Injury Free (IIF) work place. The four of us realized that we need to work together to help everyone understand the true meaning

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Pictured from left to right:
Safety Directors, Dave Collins, Turner Construction, Joanne Dean, Gale Construction, Tom Kerns, Bovis-Lend Lease, and Dave Korman, Skanska



2007 NJASSE PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT CONFERENCE TOPIC: NANOTECHNOLOGY

New Jersey Chapter of the American Society of Safety
Engineers
Wednesday May 2, 2007 (8:00 AM – 4:30 PM)

The New Jersey Chapter of the American Society of Safety Engineers is hosting a Professional Development Conference on Nanotechnology at Roche Molecular Systems, Branchburg, NJ.

Our PDC committee has put together dynamic speakers; one speaker whom is flying in from Minneapolis, MN to speak to us. **SEATING IS LIMITED TO 80 ATTENDEES.** We have applied to BCSP and AIHA for CM and CEU credits.

Register Early!! There will be **NO walk-ins allowed** due to Roche Molecular Systems Security.

The complete conference information and registration form can be obtained on our website home page @ www.njasse.org

HEARING EXAMINES SEPT. 11 HEALTH EFFECTS

The Senate Health, Education, Labor and Pensions Committee received testimony March 20 on the long-term health effects of Sept. 11 on workers at ground zero. In his [remarks](#), Committee Chairman Sen. Edward Kennedy, D-MA, said the health impacts of Sept. 11 “continue to be tragic” but Congress is beginning to fund efforts and obtain epidemiological data through monitoring, diagnosis and treatment. Witnesses at the hearing included New York Mayor Michael Bloomberg, who outlined the extent of the city’s Sept. 11 health crisis.



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of safety involvement and that our communication efforts can provide the intervention needed to make a difference. I wanted to make a personal effort to help develop an article for ISHN to provide everyone with the opportunity to understand what the role of a Safety Leader represents and how we can make a difference by working together. Again, we all compete for business but we all share the same vision for safety excellence.

Gale Construction, a Subsidiary of Mack-Cali Realty Corporation, has developed a pro-active approach to safety. We look to everyone’s support and personal involvement to implement our safety culture. One of the biggest challenges for all of us is to provide consistency for all workers in what is expected of them. Our experience has shown us that many of the workers come from other jobsites that do not have consistent safety standards. We must understand that all of our organizations impact the behavior of workers. So, we need to get out there and intervene with all the New Jersey construction companies to provide the right communication for safety performance. Everyone needs to understand that we must be consistent to build this safe work environment. At this time, these four companies are involved in developing an organization to intervene and develop standards for consistent safety operations. We want to help everyone become a safety leader.

One Voice for Safety

By Dave Collins

As Joanne mentioned, we are four firms competing for business. We do have a common value and it’s a united one, loss prevention. Turner Construction believes that we train our employees in the recognition of hazards before they occur, educate our business partners as to the hazards on each site, and finally build teams which will aid us in our goals. Dr. Geller also mentions intervention along with communication can really make a process improve. I believe we are trying to create a shift or cultural change in what we do. Communication is paramount in any organizational structure, if we cannot communicate our desires, then how will we achieve our goals?

Another challenge is to educate the owners/developers as well, so they may understand the cost during the bid process. All of our organizations must bring everyone to the level of safety being a value and it is here to stay.

The OSHA regulations are a good base for all safety plans to be founded on, although common sense combined with practical experience will allow you to have a good loss prevention plan. A loss control plan which is lacking team work and communication is surely one that will fail. Our current goal is to create one voice, so that the trade’s people hear, one voice. Our goal is to have all construction companies’ work to be consistent and I feel we can make great strides with this by working together, no matter who the construction manager may be.

LEAD - THE OLD GREY METAL

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WE DON'T HAVE TO WORRY...OR, DO WE?

It is true that in 1978 the Consumer Product Safety Commission required that lead in paints be reduced to a level of 0.06 percent or less. However, exempted from the ban are "mirrors backed with lead, artists' paints, agricultural and industrial coatings, touch-up coatings, lawn and garden equipment, graphic arts coatings and certain coatings for powered model aircraft." (<http://www.cpsc.gov/CPSC/PUB/PREREL/prhtml77/77096.html>)

On the commercial side, lead-based paints could still be used. On ships, bridges, and industrial coatings, lead is still prevalent. Other areas where lead is still used is in diverse areas, such as printing ink driers, artists' paints, or electrical solder but usually from overseas sources of these products.

SO WHERE'S THE PROBLEM?

Dad is working at the factory all day and comes home to the wife and children. They see Dad coming up the walk and the little one runs and jumps in his arms to give him a hug. *Did Dad change his clothes and shoes before coming home?* Dad puts his little girl down, walks into the house, sits down in front of the TV and puts his feet up, with his shoes on. The children come over and help take Dad's shoes off. Their hands turn grey and white and they have fun finger painting with their dirty fingers. *Why?*

After dinner, Mom takes his clothes and throws them into the wash with the children's' jeans and sweatshirts. *Does everything get clean? Do we see a problem here?* Yes we do and it has to do with personal hygiene. In 29 CFR 1910.1025(i) or 1910.1926.62(i), the employer is required to provide changing rooms, lockers, showers, clean lunch-rooms and an adequate number of lavatories...the catch is...these are required if the exposure is above the PEL of 50 ug/m³.

WHAT DO YOU THINK?

What do you think? Is it a problem to use lead chemicals and be over the PEL? What if you are under the PEL, is there no hazardous exposure to your employees?

WHERE IS THE LEAD COMING FROM?

There are still many industries where lead can be used legally and can be accidentally brought home to the family.

There are bridge and marine paints that still contain lead. There are lead chemicals used in solder, printing inks, ink varnishes and wood varnishes that use organic-lead compounds as the drying agent. Some of these products are manufactured in the United States but much more is coming in from foreign countries, where the uses of lead is not as well regulated, if at all. Some chemical tests in laboratories still use lead-based chemical reagents.

WHAT DO WE NEED TO DO?

If an employee's exposure is above the PEL, the company has no choice but to follow the OSHA regulations and ensure that the employee changes his/her work clothes; that they take showers before leaving the workplace; and do not wear the shoes home they wore in the workplace.

However, if the exposures are below the PEL...and we hope they are - *is the employer home free; and does not have to do anything?* NO, they are not! They still need to ensure that their employees are clean when they go home and they should follow the necessary OSHA regulations. Don't forget about the General Duty Clause!

Laboratory workers for example, may wear a lab coat while in the lab, but where else do they wear it? Maybe they wear it while sitting at their desk, when they go to the lavatory, when they go to the conference room for a meeting. They wear it like a badge. If they work with lead, or any other hazardous material, they are spreading the contami-

nation throughout the building.

Sheila was mixing a 5-gallon solution of lead reagent to use as a master reagent for a series of lab experiments. She needs to add one-pound of the reagent slowly with stirring.

If you were doing this mixing, where would you be doing it? No, I didn't say where should you do it - under the hood. I know that most would probably be doing it at their bench. Right?!

There she is, slowly pouring this powdery substance into the bottle and some of it is flying about because it is so light and airy. It settles on the bench, on her lab coat, in her hair. Next, she attends a staff meeting in the conference room all the while keeping her lab coat on.

After she leaves, Dorothy comes in with the sales staff for the next meeting in that room. Dorothy sits in the same chair as Sheila did. Dorothy's meeting is over, she returns to her office and notices some white dust on her navy blue suit. Thinking its just dust, she makes a half-hearted attempt to brush it off. Oh, well - it is almost the end of the day; she muses to herself as she packs up and heads to the day care center to pick up her 5-year old son.

At their next check-ups, Sheila's and Dorothy's children are found to have elevated blood-lead levels. *Where did it come from?* They live in new houses. No one thinks about their work place.

WHAT'S THE POLICY IN YOUR WORKPLACE?

Let's take a lesson from the pharmaceutical industry's cGMP or current Good Manufacturing Procedures. They want to prevent any

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NJASSE CHAPTER NEWS

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!!

NJASSE is looking for volunteers for the following events:

Habitat for Humanity:

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Let's Show Our Support!!

MEMBER RECOGNITION

At [SAFETY 2007](#) in Orlando, FL

Mr. Jack Fearing will be presenting Session #771 Planning and Conducting Comprehensive EHS Audits – A Critical Component of Your Global Compliance Programs—Wednesday, June 27th from 1:45PM to 3:00PM

Barry Weissman will be presenting Session #743: Emergency Response Planning: New York City Mandate - A Case Study -Wednesday, June 27 from 11:00 AM – 12:00 Noon

NEWS ITEMS!

Have you received a promotion, new job, marriage, birth? Let us know. We would like to share this information with our membership.

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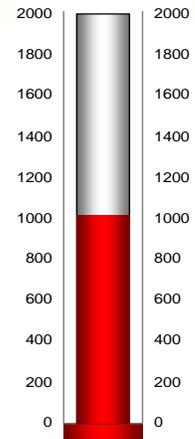
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2006-2007 REMAINING MEETING SCHEDULE

DATE	TYPE	TOPIC	LOCATION
April 18, 2007	Safety Expo	Safety Training Games and Activities Joint Meeting with Metro, Penn-Jersey, and Long Island ASSE	Safety Expo, Atlantic City, NJ
May 2, 2007	PDC All-Day Event	Nanotechnology	Roche Molecular Systems, Branchburg, NJ
May 17, 2007	Breakfast	Facility Safety Tour & Networking Event	TBD

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type of cross contamination. If you work with one product, change your gloves, your lab coat, your hair and shoe covers before you work with the next product. Wash often and clean your equipment well. It might not matter too much if a mixing blade has some other ink on it from the last batch but it does matter what you have on when you go home.

Barry R. Weissman, REM, CSP, CHMM, CHS-IV, CIPS is Vice President with the Hillmann Group where he is responsible for Training, Lead-based Paint Programs and Emergency Response Planning. He is a Professional Member of ASSE and a past president of the New Jersey Chapter, a member of the Academy of Certified Hazardous Materials Managers, a member of the American Industrial Hygiene Association, and a member of the National Fire Protection Association. You can reach Barry at bweissman@hillmanngroup.com.

**NJASSE BOOK DONATION
IN HONOR OF
JOHN V. CARNALL, CSP**

The New Jersey Chapter of the American Society of Safety Engineers (ASSE) recently donated a set of technical publications to the Hillsborough Public Library in recognition of John V. Carnall, CSP, a Hillsborough resident and long time member of the New Jersey Chapter. Mr. Carnall passed away in June of 2006.

Mr. Carnall was the Director of Energy for Wyeth at the corporate headquarters in Madison, NJ. He was a member of ASSE of over 30 years and a contributor at many regional and national safety and health conferences.

Past Chapter President James Johnston, PE, CSP, presented the books to Cathy Briant, Supervisor of Adult Services at the Library. Mr. Carnall's widow Donna and their two sons, John and Scott attended the ceremony. The donated books were *Construction Safety Management and Engineering* by Darryl C. Hill, CSP and *How Smart Managers Create World Class Safety, Health and Environmental Programs* by Charlotte A. Garner, CSP.



Photo Caption: Pictured from the left, James Johnston, NJASSE Past President; John Carnall, Jr.; Donna Carnall; Scott Carnall; Cathy Briant, Supervisor of Adult Services at the Hillsborough Public Library; and Jack Fearing, NJASSE Public Affairs Chairman.

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MAY OCCUPATIONAL SAFETY & HEALTH PROFESSIONAL DAY

A CHANCE TO THANK UNSUNG HEROES

Last year the American Society of Safety Engineers' (ASSE) Board of Directors approved the creation of an "Occupational Safety and Health Professional Day" (OSHP) to recognize the ongoing efforts of occupational safety, health and environmental professionals to protect people, property and the environment. This year OSHP Day will be held on Wednesday, May 9, 2007. It falls every year on the Wednesday of North American Occupational Safety and Health Week (NAOSH), which runs from May 6- 12, 2007.

"They are the ones that make sure you go to and come home from work safely and without injury every day," ASSE President Donald S. Jones Sr., P.E., CSP, said.

Occupational Safety and Health Professional Day also aims to further raise awareness and pride in the occupational safety, health and environmental profession, a profession where one is qualified by education, training and experience, who identifies hazards and develops appropriate controls for these hazards all aimed at preventing occupational injury, illness and property damage. Safety and health professionals follow a Code of Professional Conduct and bring to bear technical knowledge, skill and expertise along with management abilities developed through years of continued education and practical experience. Currently there are about 100,000 occupational safety, health and environmental practitioners in the U.S. today in what is one of the most challenging, growing and rewarding career fields.

Occupational safety and health practitioners have existed for a long time, but formed ASSE in 1911 following the tragic Triangle Shirtwaist Factory Fire in New York City on March 25, 1911. On that date nearly 150 women and young girls died in the factory fire because of locked fire exits and inadequate fire extinguishing systems. This was a major turning point in worker safety history as the tragedy led to changed government regulations and new worker protection laws.

Today millions of people go to and return home safely from work every day due, in part, to the work of occupational safety, health and environmental professionals.

"We still have a long way to go in increasing workplace safety for all," ASSE Past President Eddie Greer, CSP, of Texas, said. "Many women perished in the Triangle Shirtwaist Factory in 1911, yet even 80 years later we had 25 workers die and 49 more injured when a fire broke out at a chicken processing plant in Hamlet, North Carolina. The plant doors were padlocked trapping the workers inside. We are making a difference and workplace fatalities have gone down over the years, but we need to reach the businesses who don't have or ignore workplace safety and health processes."

"We take time this May 9 to say thanks to those invisible heroes, who work to make your workplace safer and healthier," Jones said. "It doesn't happen often, but when a call is made to a family member that their loved one has been injured or killed on the job several lives change forever. Work with your occupational safety and health professionals to make sure you and your family never re-

ceives that call.

"Thank your occupational safety and health professional today," Jones said. "It will mean more than you know."

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they begin work this spring building houses in Morris County. The next four weeks are busy for our chapter.

Next week, is the 23rd Annual Mid-Atlantic Region Safety & Loss Control Expo in Atlantic City. Please support this event as our chapter is well represented by the many programs our members are presenting. On April 21st, we will be involved in a Habitat for Humanity build in the Morristown area. I will e-mail everyone as soon as I receive the details. April 22nd is the Walk-Run Challenge at the Lincoln Tunnel to support Special Olympics. Our chapter has bought 15 tickets to the event, so if you are interested, contact Jack Fearing at jfearing@gmail.com for details. The International Practice Specialty (IPS) Forum will be presenting a FREE seminar, titled "Best Practices: Evaluating Global Key SH&E Performance Indicators" on April 25, 2007 at Honeywell, Morristown, NJ.

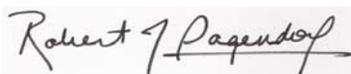
May 2nd is our Spring PDC. The topic is Nanotechnology and will be hosted by our Past President, Joe Piccolo at Roche Molecular Systems, Branchburg, NJ. We expect another great turnout. May 9th is a "mini" seminar hosted by the NNJECA-IBEW-OSHA Construction Industry Safety Partnership at the Woodbridge Hilton, Iselin. The topic is "Savings Lives and Saving Money!" Please check our website at www.njasse.org for details.

May 6th-12th is NAOSH week. Pat Delaney, Chairman has been doing a great job planning this event. A public service announcement has been formulated, a PowerPoint presentation, a 10-hour construction safety outreach training program will be taught to a local municipality and a proclamation from the Governor's Office to name a few.

Our annual election of officers is underway. Please take 2 minutes of your time and cast your vote. Voting is being performed electronically. Ballots were mailed to members last week. Results of the election will be announced in June. If you are interested in serving on the Executive Board, please e-mail me at president@njasse.org.

Our May meeting is a joint breakfast meeting on May 17th in Jamesburg with Penn-Jersey Chapter. At this meeting, we are planning a construction safety theme. This should be a fun "hands-on" meeting. The details of the meeting will be sent out next week. During this meeting, we will also be presenting \$1,000 scholarships to our award recipients.

Look forward to seeing you at our next event. As always, we welcome your comments and ideas.



Robert J. Sagendorf, CSP, CHST
President

NEW FINDINGS COULD HELP WORKERS AVOID CARPAL TUNNEL SYNDROME

Just days after one group of researchers downgraded the importance of overuse of the wrist and hand in developing carpal tunnel syndrome (CTS), findings from other researchers suggest the angle of wrist flexion is a culprit. The findings from the two February studies adds to the list of risk factors for the painful musculoskeletal disorder (MSD), increasing the fund of ergonomics knowledge that can be applied to the task of designing tools, workstations and work processes that minimize the risks.

In carpal tunnel syndrome, the median nerve, running from the arm into the hand, becomes pressed or squeezed at the wrist. This nerve controls sensations to the thumb's palm side and part of all the fingers except the little finger. Wrist postures that are bent or flexed cause increased pressure on the nerve.

"The scientific support for the concept [that carpal tunnel is caused by overuse] is, on average, relatively weak," said David Ring, MD, in a news release from the American Academy of Orthopedic Surgeons (AAOS). "The major risk factor for carpal tunnel is genetic." Exactly what those genetic factors are is not known, he says, but they could be related to the structure of the hand and wrists. Dr. Ring is an assistant professor of orthopedic surgery at Harvard Medical School and a hand surgeon at Massachusetts General Hospital, Boston. The findings were presented on February 16 at the 74th AAOS Annual Meeting in San Diego.

In the most recent study, reported in a news release of the Human Factors and Ergonomics Society (HFES), a group of human factors/ergonomics researchers from the University of California at San Francisco and McMaster University in Ontario, Canada, established limits on how much a wrist can be flexed before nerve damage sets in. The researchers concluded that when sustained pressure on the carpal tunnel reaches 30 mmHG, injury is likely to occur. They recommended keeping the pressure below 30 mmHG. Other recommendations: sustained wrist extension – bending the hand back – should not exceed 32.7 degrees; wrist flexion – bending the wrist toward the palm – should not exceed 48.6 degrees; ulnar deviation – sideways toward the small finger – should not exceed 14.5 degrees; and radial deviation – sideways toward the thumb – should not exceed 21.8 degrees.

The researchers believe their findings could be used to create simple guidelines to help workers avoid wrist postures that are likely to cause nerve trauma. The findings from their study appear in a paper in the February issue of Human Factors: The Journal of the Human Factors and Ergonomics Society.

Sources: American Academy of Orthopaedic Surgeons; Human Factors and Ergonomics Society



NJASSE CHAPTER OBSERVES NAOSH WEEK (MAY 6TH-12TH)

In observance of the North American Occupational Safety and Health (NAOSH) Week this year the chapter will be conducting the following activities:

1. The chapter has requested that Governor Jon Corzine issue a state-wide Proclamation declaring May 6th – 12th as NAOSH Week.
2. Public Service Announcements will be released to the New Jersey media highlighting that Motor Vehicle Related incidents are the number one cause of both on-the-job and off-the-job fatalities. These PSA's will encourage the public to observe basic motor vehicle safety tips and direct them to the chapter's website to obtain more information.
3. A press release is also being prepared which will highlight state specific statistics concerning motor vehicle incidents in New Jersey.
4. A PowerPoint presentation highlighting what teens need to know to be safe at work is being distributed to the high schools in New Jersey. It is our hope that our educators will share this information with the students or at a minimum make the information available to the students through a link on the schools website.
5. On Wednesday, May 9th, the chapter will be jointly sponsoring a half day seminar with the NNJNECA-IBEW-OSHA Construction Industry Safety Partnership. This seminar will focus on discovering the best and latest *techniques* for saving lives and money. This program is designed to give the attendees the essential tools needed for immediate payback.
6. The chapter will be holding a ten hour construction safety class for the New Providence Department of Public Works.



OSHA VPP'S IN NJ

- Covanta Warren, Oxford, NJ
- Grace Davison, Edison, NJ
- Parsons Southampton Station, Southampton Twp, NJ

A VISION FOR SAFETY EXCELLENCE

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Sustaining Incident & Injury Free

By Tom Kerns

Bovis Lend Lease is committed to the belief that working Incident & Injury Free (IIF) is a choice and a basic human right. The leaders in our industry will be those who succeed in transforming the idea of IIF into a given. Bovis Lend Lease recognizes that a commitment to IIF requires taking a personal stand, great courage, and trust. We all need to support each of our stakeholders in their personal commitment to IIF by working toward three main objectives—owning, enabling, and sustaining the vision of Incident & Injury Free.

The opportunity that is presented here for all four of these leading-edge companies is inspirational and truly supports the potential for sustaining our vision of Incident & Injury Free. Personal commitment is evident when factors such as schedule, cost, or production do not rank ahead of an injury-free workplace. Personal commitment may be demonstrated simply by stopping an unsafe act through a genuine concern for the well being of another, or it may be evident when a project team is willing to report *near misses* on their job in an effort to prevent incidents and injuries throughout the business.

Bovis Lend Lease embraces this opportunity to coordinate our efforts to communicate safety at all levels. All workers must understand that all of our organizations work together to provide a clear communication to deliver improved safety performance. In the field of construction there is a need to band together to provide an incident & injury free environment for people to work in.

Bovis Lend Lease, Turner Construction, Skanska, USA and Gale Construction are all organizations that can lead the way on improving safety performance for our industry. Join us and follow the trail we will be setting. We are four safety leaders that want to make a difference.

Roll-up you're Sleeves

By Dave Korman

It is very exciting to work together and there couldn't be a bigger need than there is right now in our industry. I could talk about Skanska and about our personal journey to try and make a difference but I prefer to talk about this new journey. It is about the four of us and other stake holders coming together and joining forces to make a difference. We can change the construction industry as we know it here in New Jersey. This brings to mind a famous quotation by Michelangelo who said, "The greatest danger for most of us is not that our aim is too high and we miss it, but that it is too low and we reach it." So, here we go. We must simply set our sights on making our legacy to create a culture for safety where accidents are no longer acceptable in any way shape or form. It's not due to the fact that accidents happen or it's a dangerous business or because of the many countless other excuses that we have heard over years. If we accept accidents and compromise safety we will never change the safety culture that exists today. I believe we can achieve great things working together. A great example that can provide us with inspiration to accomplish this goal can be borrowed from our neighbors across the pond. A few years back the construction industry in the UK was in dire need of a

step change and the government challenged the industry to either change themselves or the government would mandate the changes. Because of this change they now have what is known as the Major Contractors Group. This group began their mission to commit to working with the supply chains to eliminate all accidents and incidents from all jobsites, to ensure a fully qualified safety trained workforce, provide an effective site orientation program, raising awareness and insisting on high PPE standards and reporting on their progress and ultimately making a difference. As you can see there is a charter in place that we can learn from and duplicate as we go forward with this adventure. I give you this, I am ready to roll up my sleeves and go to work to truly make a difference.

Conclusion

Joanne Dean

There is such positive energy when you work with people who have passion, integrity and a vision for safety excellence. This is all possible and we know we can make a difference by working together. As all safety people know, we never stop caring and our behavior to do the right thing can never end. Yes, four safety leaders unite with a vision for Safety Excellence.

NEW JERSEY LAWMAKERS: TXT + DRV = :- (

Proposed legislation in New Jersey would make it illegal to text message while driving. The bipartisan bill, co-sponsored by 20 state legislators, seeks to make texting a primary driving offense, meaning a driver could be pulled over and ticketed as much as \$250 for operating a wireless communication device. Under current New Jersey law, talking on a cell phone is a secondary offense and text messaging is not included. Talking on a hands-free device is legal.

National Safety Council



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LINCOLN TUNNEL CHALLENGE 5K FUN RUN/WALK

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DON'T MISS YOUR CHANCE TO RUN OR WALK UNDER WATER!

How To PARTICIPATE

COMPLETE AND SEND IN YOUR REGISTRATION FORM! Please provide all requested information, remember to print clearly. All entries postmarked prior to **March 30, 2007** receive a \$5.00 discount for early registration (\$20.00). Any entries postmarked after March 30, 2007 are required to submit the late registration fee of \$25.00. There is no additional fee for team competition. Each registered participant will receive a race t-shirt on the day of the race.

LIKE TO MAKE AN ADDITIONAL DONATION?

There is a space on the Registration Form which allows for a donation in addition to your entry fee. You may circle an amount or write-in your donation.

A donation of **\$100 or greater** will guarantee the contributor a Lincoln Tunnel Challenge Hooded Sweatshirt.

A donation of **\$500 or greater** will guarantee the contributor a Lincoln Tunnel Challenge Warm-up Suit (to be mailed following the race) and a Lincoln Tunnel Challenge Hooded Sweatshirt.

REGISTRATION FEE

\$20 early-entry fee if postmarked by March 30, 2007

\$25 entry fee if postmarked after March 30th
or for registrations submitted on race day.

All participants will travel a distance of 5K (3.1 miles) through the Lincoln Tunnel and back. (USATF Certified)

*No in-line skates, bicycles, skateboards or pets allowed.
Children in strollers must be registered.*

THE TUNNEL

YES, IT IS HEALTHY AND SAFE TO RUN/WALK UNDERWATER! The South Tube (also the newest tube) of the Lincoln Tunnel is washed and the roadway is degreased the night prior to the run/walk. The air is changed every 90 seconds with air originating high above the Hudson River, which makes the air quality inside the tunnel equal to the air quality outside! The tunnel is ventilated constantly and no vehicles are allowed in the tunnel until after the event is completed.

Post RACE ACTIVITIES

Awards, refreshments & door prizes immediately following race at the staging area. All running awards will be presented following the race. You must be present to win awards and prizes. Results will be posted at the conclusion of the race. Final results will also be available online at: www.compuscore.com.

PARTICIPATION AWARDS

INDIVIDUAL & TEAM AWARDS

The Fred Muser & John Skala Memorial Awards will be presented to the overall male and overall female winners, respectively.

Individual awards also will be presented to the top three males and top three females in the following age groups:

9 & under	20-29	50-59
10-14	30-39	60-69
15-19	40-49	70 & over

Team awards will be presented to the teams with the three lowest overall times. The combined times of each team's top three finishers will be used.

DIRECTIONS/PARKING

FREE PARKING at NJ Transit Bus parking lot adjacent to the Lincoln Tunnel Administration Building, 500 Boulevard East, Weehawken, NJ.

SHUTTLE BUS from NY's 41st Street between 8th & 9th avenues (at whale mural).

From NY: 7:00 AM, 7:30 AM, 8:00 AM

Return to NY: starting at 10:00 AM

REGISTRATION/STAGING AREA is at the NJ Transit Bus parking lot Weehawken (see **FREE PARKING**)

Please visit our website: www.sonj.org, click on **Directions**.

If you need further assistance, call Special Olympics New Jersey: 609-898-8000.

American Society of Safety Engineers

International Practice Specialty (IPS) Forum **Best Practices: Evaluating Global Key SH&E Performance Indicators**

April 25, 2007

**Honeywell – Morristown, NJ
8:30 am – 4:30 pm (GMT -5:00)**

Moderator:

John Kanouse, CSP, ARM
Senior Vice President

Marsh, Inc.

IPS Forum at a Glance

- This forum will be a roundtable – Attendees will proactively participate in forming a discussion based on the speaker's overview
- This will be a unique opportunity for attendees to share their “real world” experiences with senior SH&E peers
- The focus will be on discussing mature metrics that are in use and successful or lessons learned from processes that did not meet expectations
- The results of each roundtable discussions will be recorded, developed and distributed to attendees with participant and company acknowledgement
- The outcomes of this roundtable will be presented at the National ASSE PDC in Orlando, FL during the Key Issues Roundtable - *Developing and Implementing Global SH&E Metrics* (session-RT05) on June 26, 2007

This will be an outstanding opportunity to network with the IPS community

This roundtable will draw upon SH&E experts from various industries to share, evaluate and discuss the challenges of developing consistent internal processes across their global organizations.

- Global Incident Recordkeeping – Challenges and Successes
 - Lagging Indicators – What are we doing with them?
 - Leveling the Playing Field – Global Consistency
 - Leading Indicators – What are they?
- Monitoring and Measurement – Management System Tools

For more information or if you would like to present your companies position please contact – Jeffrey Weldon, CSP at 859-624-6259 or jxweldon@bechtel.com