

ASSE New Jersey Chapter



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President: John Kraynanski

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September Meeting

Date: 9/14/16

Time: 4:00 PM

Location: NYC Hudson Yards Tour and Presentation

Topic: Joint Meeting with NYC ASSE

Fall PDC

Date: 9/28/16

Time: 9:00 AM – 3:00 PM

Location: Rutgers New Brunswick

Topic: Risk Management Principles

Letter from the President

John Kraynanski

Greetings and welcome to the ASSE 2016 summer newsletter, marking the end of another successful fiscal year for the New Jersey Chapter. I am honored to have served as your president for the past year and I want to thank all the board members and chapter members for continuing to support and engage with other Safety and EH&S professionals in our programs and events over the past year. I have full confidence we will maintain and grow our success as we welcome our incoming officers and new president, Gregory Decker.

The board held a planning meeting in June and as a result, we anticipate hosting a number of new and interesting events, tours, and PDCs in the upcoming year. We are optimistic about continuing to grow our membership and cultivating our partnerships in businesses, schools, and other organizations as we did this year, particularly our new Student Section at NJIT.

We encourage you to take advantage of our network, and to take your education and career development to the next level.

We're always interested in feedback from our members. If you have suggestions on how the NJ Chapter could further benefit our members, we'd love to hear from you. Please send us an email at info@njasse.org. We look forward to seeing you at one of our upcoming Chapter meetings or events. Your first meeting is free. Please check our website for the latest meeting information.

Sincerely,



John Kraynanski, CSP
Chapter President

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New Members

The Chapter Members and Officers would like to extend a heartfelt welcome to the following new members who have joined the ASSE since May 1.

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| David Maldona | Nelson Dias |
| Stephen Mastripolito | Samuel Polimary |

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| Matt Hayes | Ian Lamalfa |
| Jared Davignon | Thomas Nulty |
| Olusola Adedoyin | Narasimha Rao Cheeti |
| Sofia Akhter | Michael Wunsch |

WISE Safety Professional of the Year (2016)

Louise Vallee, NJ ASSE Vice President and WISE Mentoring Program Chair has been selected as WISE Safety Professional of the Year (SPY) - 2016. Awards for each of the Practice Specialties (formerly divisions) have been distributed since the early 1970s. These awards were established to recognize select Practice Specialty members who have helped advance the occupational safety, health and environmental profession through exemplary volunteer service to the Society and to their respective Practice Specialty during the ASSE calendar year. As Branches and Common Interest Groups have formed, awards have been established to recognize their contributions. Congratulations, Louise!



Pictured above is Louise Vallee accepting the WISE Safety Professional of the Year Award at the Atlanta Safety 2016 PDC

Environmental Practice Safety Professional of the Year

NJ Chapter member Richard Rosera was honored to receive recognition at ASSE Safety 2016 from the Council on Practices and Standards (CoPS) as Safety Professional of the Year for Environmental Practice. Congratulations to Richard! To see the winners the CoPS categories please see <http://societyupdate.asse.org/archives/11133>



New Jersey Chapter Receives the Platinum Award at Safety 2016

Past President, Patrick Delaney accepted the Platinum Level Award for the 2014-2015 chapter year on behalf of the Chapter during the Chapter Recognition Luncheon at Safety 2016 in Atlanta, GA. The New Jersey Chapter was one of 13 Chapters that received this honor and the only one in Region VIII to receive this.



Chapter Night Out at Safety 2016

The New Jersey Chapter held a Chapter Night Out during Safety 2016 in Atlanta, GA. The event was held at Dantanna's Downtown

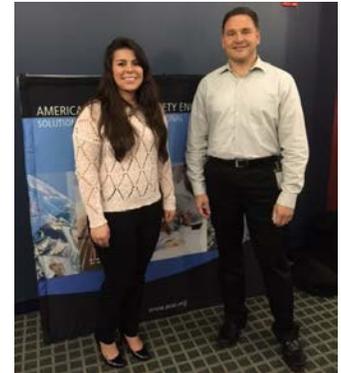
next to the CNN Center. More than 30 members and guests attended to enjoy food, drinks and networking. We were also excited to be joined by Kathy Seabrook, Past President, ASSE and Fellow.

Scholarship Recipients for 2016

This year we are pleased to announce three winners of our 2016 scholarship awards.

Jessica Vallee-Vasquez was awarded the Ted Brickley/Bernice Shickora Scholarship. Chris Cohen and Steven Pomponio received the Joyce Cunningham Scholarship. Congratulations to our winners!

Student Jessica Vallee-Vasquez receiving ASSE Scholarship from President John Kraynanski at the January, 2016 chapter meeting.



First Chapter Virtual Meeting a Huge Success

Jack Fearing

On Wednesday, April 20, 2016 the NJASSE Chapter took, what can be considered, a huge first step towards conducting future meetings which are both productive and well attended.

The milestone "virtual" meeting was in the works for several months. One of the biggest concerns, beyond selecting the appropriate training topic, was the logistics of hosting a Webinar-type meeting for an estimated 30-40 chapter members. With the assistance of the national office, and our own Gina Mayer-Costa, the logistical concerns were overcome entirely using joint resources and the meeting was conducted as scheduled and without a glitch.

President-elect Greg Decker, CSP, introduced Chapter President John Kraynanski, CSP. John introduced the current chapter board, reviewed highlights of the chapter meetings during his tenure as President, reminded members of the ASP/CSP Prep summer workshops and encouraged members to become actively involved in chapter related functions as a speaker and/or consider hosting a future chapter meeting to both showcase their facility and highlight their safety and health program.

The training topic selected for this historic meeting was OSHA Recordkeeping and the recent changes that went into effect on January 1, 2015. Jack Fearing, CPEA and Managing Partner of Fearing International Group LLC, detailed the changes in both the new listing of partially exempt businesses with selected NAICS codes in low hazard industries and additional reporting requirements. The partially exempt list now includes tables for those that are partially exempt as well as a listing of businesses that were previously exempt but no longer have that designation. The new reporting requirements include the previous requirements dealing with work-related fatalities and catastrophic events (3 or more employees hospitalized due to the same event) and also additional reporting requirements dealing with amputations and loss of an eye as well as the timelines for reporting each. Jack also reviewed the additional reporting requirements that will be effective on January 1, 2017. These changes deal with more frequent reporting for companies with more than 250 employees and those with less than 250 but more than 20 employees. These changes will include the submission of the Form 300A Annual Summary to OSHA. The first submission date is scheduled for July 1, 2017. For additional information go to the OSHA website for the



FactSheets at www.osha.gov or feel free to contact Jack at jack@fearing-international.com.

The results of the post-meeting survey indicated a high level of satisfaction with the meeting format and overwhelming interest in favor of future meetings using the same model. The survey also revealed topics of interest for future Webinar meetings.

A special thanks to those members who planned the meeting and those who took the time to both participate and comment on ways to improve future meetings. The Board is planning to have at least one virtual meeting a year and is also reviewing separate “Lunch & Learn” training Webinars on topics of interest. Stay tuned for more details.

May Chapter Meeting

Patrick Delaney

Our May Chapter meeting was held at the Bergen County Law & Public Safety Institute. Lt. Michael Devine the active shooter attacks which occurred in Mumbai, Paris, California and the Garden State Plaza in Paramus, NJ.



Lt. Devine discussed the attack on Mumbai which was executed by nine petty thieves with very little experience. The attack on Paris that occurred at the football stadium, a concert hall and various cafe’s throughout the city which resulted in the death of eighty nine people and shut down the city and The California Massacre which resulted in the death of 14 people and wounding 17 others at a

government building that was carried out by a married couple.



According to Lt. Devine, many active shooter attacks occur in un-patrolled areas where security measures are low.

Active shooter situations are typically very short (9-12 minutes) in duration and are over before law enforcement can mobilize. 96% of active shooters are men with a median age of 35. Active shooters at schools are typically 15-19 years of age. 26% of the active shooter incidents occur at schools. Statistics indicate that only 4% of active shooters have military training.

For information on how to respond to active shooter scenarios, visit the Department of Homeland Security website at <https://www.dhs.gov/active-shooter-preparedness>.

Spring PDC

Joseph Piccolo

On Wednesday May 25, 2016 the NJ Chapter of ASSE held the second of its 2016 professional development conferences at Rutgers in Piscataway. John Kraynanski, NJ ASSE President welcomed approximately 35 members who began the day networking over continental breakfast.

The theme of the day focused primarily on the environmental aspects of our profession with the following presentations:

- Environmental Mindset: Think Like an E Person by ERM's Karen Auld

- Construction Related Environmental Concerns by Whitman's Christina Faust
- Spill Reporting Requirements and Best Practices at a PSM Facility by Veolia's Todd Kato & Rob Romano
- OSHA Update and OSHA's New Final Rule on Respirable Crystalline Silica by Mike Corbett OSHA Avenel Office

Feedback from the attendees was excellent!!! Attendees stated they were exceptionally pleased with the presenters, their expertise on the subject matter and the topics that they chose to discuss. Attendees also stated that the networking was both fun and productive.

The NJ Chapter hosts 2 PDCs each year, one in the Spring, and one in the Fall. PDC's are open to everyone, not just Chapter members. PDCs are a great way of earning training hours to help you maintain your certifications, including ASP, CSP, CIH and CHMM to mention a few.

Planning for the Fall PDC is already beginning. Suggestions from the membership for topics they wish to hear either at the PDC or at a monthly meeting are welcomed. Speakers who are interested in presenting are also welcomed. Please feel free to contact PDC Chair, Joe Piccolo (contact info on the website) with your topic suggestions or if you are interested in presenting.

June Planning Meeting

Lauren Cranmer

Every June, NJ ASSE board holds the first meeting of the year at the Chatham firehouse. This year we celebrated another year of achieving platinum status by achieving all requirements necessary for financial reporting, communications, and our annual chapter report.

Congratulations on another great year. Some of the topics coming this year for our chapter's monthly meetings include:

- Behavior Based Safety
- Accident Investigation/Root Cause Analysis
- Safety Apps
- Risk Assessment
- Emergency Planning and Response

Student Section Update

Anthony Krake

The NJ ASSE is excited to have a successful student section setup at NJIT! NJIT offers a masters in Occupational, Safety and Health Engineering, where students study many different aspects of safety, such as ergonomics, system safety and industrial hygiene. The current student section president, Stephanie Rolon, and her board has rallied together 15 students to be a part of the chapter and will be hosting a chapter wide event this upcoming fall! Keep an eye out for the event information and come meet the future safety leaders of our industry! If you're interesting in mentoring any of these students or have job opportunities, contact Anthony Krake at Anthony@alpinepainting.com for more information.



CDC NIOSH 2016 Document Myths of Respiratory Protection in Healthcare

Loiuse Vallee

Evidence from surveillance studies indicates gaps in hospitals' respiratory protection programmatic operations and healthcare workers' (HCWs) marginal compliance with respiratory protection recommended practices. Improper use of respiratory protective devices (RPDs) may expose HCWs to infectious respiratory illnesses. In this document, NIOSH addresses common myths related to respiratory protection and provides information to reinforce respiratory protection program administrator responsibilities and HCW knowledge concerning the proper use of these devices so that they can be prepared for the next public health emergency and best protect themselves in daily practice. Go here for the complete document:

[CDC NIOSH Myths of Respiratory Protection in Healthcare](#)

OSHA updates Eye and Face protection standards in final rule

Jean Kristensen

The Occupational Safety and Health Administration has published a final rule that updates requirements for personal protective equipment (PPE) for workers in general industry, shipyards, longshoring, marine terminals and construction. The final rule reflects current national consensus standards, and ensures that workers can use up-to-date eye and face protection. OSHA's final rule becomes effective on April 25, 2016.

The rule updates references in OSHA's Eye and Face Protection Standards to recognize the ANSI/ISEA Z87.1-2010, Occupational and Educational Personal Eye and Face

Protection Devices, while deleting the outdated 1986 edition of that same national consensus standard. OSHA is also retaining the 2003 and 1989 (R-1998) versions of the ANSI standard already referenced in its standard. In addition, the final rule updates the construction standard by deleting the 1968 version of the ANSI standard that was referenced and now includes the same three ANSI standards referenced above to ensure consistency among the agency's standards.

Interim Guidance for Protecting Workers from Occupational Exposure to Zika Virus

Jean Kristensen

The Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) and the National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH) are monitoring the Zika virus outbreak spreading through Central and South America, Mexico, and parts of the Caribbean, including U.S. territories.

For the most up-to-date information, check the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) Zika website frequently. Some U.S. states have mosquitoes that can become infected with and spread Zika virus, and travel-associated Zika virus infections in U.S. states may result in local spread of the virus. Visit the CDC Areas with Zika website to learn where there is current transmission. Workers who are exposed on the job to mosquitoes or the blood or other body fluids of infected individuals may be at risk for occupationally acquired Zika virus infection. Interim guidance released provides employers and workers with information and guidance on preventing occupational exposure to the Zika virus as found

here. Note, the guidance may be updated as additional information becomes available. [CDC ZIKA Updates](#)

U.S. Department of Labor Blog (May 26, 2016:

For these hot months, click the link below to check out the blog and tips.

8 Steps to Keep Workers Safe in the Heat

CSP Question of the Month

Lauren Cranmer

Your company is installing a new machine in your work area. Part of the machine consists of two rollers rotating inward, creating a pinch point. What is the best way to protect employees from this hazard?

- a. Install a fixed guard
- b. Install a removable guard
- c. Position the rollers far enough away so that employees cannot reach them
- d. Install hand restraints

Last month's response: D (Managing and conducting quality and environmental management system audits)



Good Luck, Lauren!

NJ ASSE president-elect, Lauren Cranmer is running the NYC Marathon this November to support our

partner, Habitat for Humanity. ASSE will match what she raises from our members up to \$475. [Check out her Habitat for Humanity page](#) to see how much she has raised or see the [team's progress](#) and if you are able to add a small donation to show your support.

Community Postings

NJSSC Upcoming Courses



NJSSC Training Institute offers many courses designed to advance safety for the operator, supervisor, and safety professional. The following are the courses that will be offered over the next two months. Please visit [here](#) for more information on the NJSSC and [here](#) to view the full course catalogue.

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Did you know that the ASSE has a website dedicated to professional development online? [Learn@ASSE](#) contains everything from webinars to guidance on future development to stories from safety professionals in all stages of development. Take the opportunity to visit today and see how [Learn@ASSE](#) can help you develop further along your career path!

NJASSE on LinkedIn

Did you know that the NJASSE has its own **LinkedIn** community on LinkedIn? [Click here](#) to join!



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How to submit an article

Did you attend an event that you can't wait to let the world know about or have an area of expertise that you love discussing? What about a question on a safety topic or a personal highlight? Want to brag about your company's EHS accomplishments? The NJASSE chapter newsletter focuses on news relevant to you and welcomes all submissions. To enter an article or a personal recognition for publication, please send to the Editor at news@njasse.org. Articles must be submitted by the 7th of the month to appear in that month's newsletter.