

# ***Safe Plains Newsletter*** *Spring 2018*

## **Ian Poole, Occupational Safety & Health Administration Presents OSHA Silica Rules Update**



Ian Poole, Omaha area OSHA IH presented a silica rules update in February. Mr. Poole specializes in IH monitoring, OSHA compliance, training, and ergonomics. He conducts enforcement inspections for workplace safety, investigates work related fatalities and accidents and assists employers and employees with workplace safety compliance. Mr. Poole has more than 10 years' experience as a health and safety professional in varied industries. He holds a MS degree in Environmental and Occupational Health from the University of Iowa and a BS degree in Industrial Technology from Iowa State University.

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## **Come join ASSE as we honor our local members: Annual Awards and Honors Banquet Dinner – Friday, April 20<sup>th</sup>, 5:30 pm to 8:30 pm**



The ASSE Great Plains Chapter board is proud to announce the winner of our 2018 Safety Professional of the Year Award, Brenda Finter, MA, CIH, CSP. Brenda is a Certified Industrial Hygienist and Safety Officer at B2 Environmental, Inc. Ms.

Finter currently serves as our Secretary, Membership & Newsletter Chair and she is an AIHA Local Chapter Director.

Additionally, we have 3 members celebrating 25 years with ASSE!

### **Gene Brewer, Kim Coonrod & Eldon Diedrichs**

CHAPTER ELECTIONS WILL ALSO BE HELD AT THE BANQUET

**Please register by Monday, April 16th!**

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## **Tornado Preparedness and Response**

With Spring comes the risk from Tornados, which can occur with little or no warning. Taking precautions in



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advance of the storms, such as developing an emergency plan, learning the warning signs, and monitoring tornado watches and warnings, can help you stay safe if a tornado occurs in your area. OSHA and NOAA are working together on a public education effort aimed at improving the way people prepare for and respond to severe weather. To learn more [Click Here](#).



### National Safety Stand-Down

The fifth annual National Safety Stand-Down to prevent falls in construction will be held May 7-11, 2018. Sponsored by OSHA, the National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health, and CPWR — The Center for Construction Research and Training, the weeklong outreach event encourages employers and workers to pause during the work day to talk about fall hazards and prevention. In past years, more than 1 million workers participated in events.



ASSE members and guests listen to Ian Poole from the Omaha area OSHA office answer questions about silica compliance



Sadly, the Great Plains chapter did not have a qualified applicant for this year's scholarship. Last year's winner received \$1,500. If you know a qualified student please share this link:  
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**“To conform to government safety regulations, no one may climb the ladder of success without wearing a harness and special non-slip shoes.”**

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