Greetings Everyone!

Summer has come to an end, children are back in school, and our ASSP chapter now returns to our monthly meetings to keep you informed and engaged in the safety profession. As president and a member of the chapter board, I want to encourage you to participate in the chapter this 2018-19 season. Participate in the upcoming chapter survey and give us your honest feedback on how we can make ASSP more relevant to you and meet your needs as a safety professional. This is the best way for us to understand your needs and find topics and materials that can help your job and career.

Come to our meetings. Engage in open forums via our group on Yahoo when you have knowledge to add to the other safety professionals in the area. You have a wealth of knowledge and can help other safety professionals who are just discovering a new aspect of safety or are looking for tried solutions to
problems. We have great members within our area who are very knowledgeable and can help. We are problem solvers. We prevent tragedy and protect people, property and prosperity. The board encourages you to engage in our chapter this year. Encourage other safety and associated professionals to be a part of ASSP and come together to support each other and the profession. The strength of the ASSP chapter lies within the people that make it a place for discussion, development, and support for all our ASSP Great Plains Chapter members. Be part of something big. Please get involved today!

Sincerely,

Eric Schermerhorn, CSP, CPE
President, Great Plains Chapter
American Society of Safety Professionals

POLLDADDY MEMBER SURVEY

The ASSP Great Plains Chapter Board has put together a survey to help us determine member needs and to develop topics for chapter meetings or seminars. Below is a link to the survey. Please complete the survey by October 11, 2018.

Those who complete the survey by October 11th will be eligible for a drawing to win a $50 gift card.


Thank you for your membership and support of the Great Plains Chapter!!

ASSP Great Plains Chapter Board

CHAPTER HAPPENINGS

OMAHA STEEL - AUGUST 2018

We would like to thank the crew of Omaha Steel in Wahoo for our site tour in August. DakotaHa Whiteowl, Safety and Environmental Manager and Alex Buford, Mechanical Engineer provided us with an outstanding presentation. We are grateful to Terry Chvatal, Vice President of Business Development for agreeing to host the event. They far exceeded our expectations with their hospitality. It was a very informative and enjoyable experience.
OSHA UPDATES - SEPTEMBER 2018

We were very fortunate to have Mr. Dan Dwyer, Compliance Safety and Health Officer with the Omaha area office, agree to speak to us in September. Dan has been with OSHA since 2016, and has a long career in health and safety. He retired from the Air Force after 26 years where he worked in Bioenvironmental Engineering. Mr. Dwyer provided attendees with a comprehensive update on OSHA programs and partnerships, national and local emphasis areas of compliance, and Safe+Sound.

Mr. Dan T. Dwyer, Jr. speaks to attendees at our OSHA Updates presentation in September 2018
Attendees listen intently as Mr. Dwyer Presents OSHA Updates in September 2018

MEMBERSHIP UPDATES

New Members This Quarter

- Brandon Cowell
- Ashley Reeves
- Mark Sauer
- Kodjo Ahadjitse
- Shane Docken
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UPCOMING EVENTS

October Workshop

**Topic:** The Energy Wheel – an innovative approach to Hazard identification & Risk Assessment

**Where:** Friday, October 19th, National Safety Council Headquarters, Omaha, Nebraska, 9:30 am – 2:00 pm

Pastries, coffee and juice will be provided at 9:00 am

Register: [CLICK HERE](#)

ASSP, AIHA Members & Guests: $49.00
Non-Member / Non-Guest: $69.00  
Student: $15.00

We would like to thank Orr Safety and the American Industrial Hygiene Association Nebraska-Western Iowa Section for sponsoring this seminar. We would also like to thank the AIHA Iowa-Illinois Chapter for helping to spread the word within their network.

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**November Meeting**

**Topic:** Scissor Lifts/Aerial Lifts/Fall Protection  
**Where:** On Site Demonstrations, TBA

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**Holiday Get Together**

**Where:** DJ's Dugout  
**When:** December 7th, 4:00 pm to 6:00 pm

Join us for free drink tickets and hors d'oeuvres!

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**SCHOLARSHIP INFORMATION**

**Scholarship Deadlines**

- Applications will be accepted September 1st - December 1st, 2018
- Help us get the word out about this scholarship! Our chapter's $1500 went unclaimed last year!

- December 1: Student Application Due  
- January 1 - March 31: Committee Review  
- April 1: Award Announcement  
- May 1: Award Funds Distributed

Register: [CLICK HERE]

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**CAREER OPPORTUNITIES**
We are always looking to network and find out if there are job openings. The jobs must be in an Environment, Health and Safety function and must be in our region. For example: Fleet Safety Manager, Director of Environmental, Health and Safety, Risk Manager, etc.

We will post the jobs to our website at https://greatplains.assp.org/. This is done currently at no charge, but the chapter is always accepting donations to help establish our scholarship fund. Your contribution is appreciated.

Please e-mail the job information to Steve Polich at: 

steve.polich@safety-reports.com

Visit the ASSP Great Plains Chapter Jobs Website Page