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Useful & Helpful Links

<http://www.asse.org>

Link to the National ASSE webpage for information on great topics in EH&S. Go look things up.

<http://hudsonrivervalley.asse.org>

Link to the Hudson River Valley Chapter web page. Information on the Local items and events as well as good information. Try it, you'll like it!

<https://www.cdc.gov/>

Link to the Center for Disease Control. Great current information on health items to help protect us all through illness controlling and prevention. Lots of FLU items!

Hotlinks in articles are in **Red Bold font.**

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It's April! Is Your 300A Log Still Posted?

Sounds silly doesn't it? But, unfortunately I think there are some locations out there that are not actually reading the changes in the Standards, and are going on memory. That could be a mistake. Your 2017 annual Injury/Illness Summary Form 300A should still be posted in a conspicuous location in your workplace, or in a location where notices to employees are customarily posted. When it is posted it should not be covered by any other notices or materials, and it should not be defaced, or altered in any manner. *This form should remain posted until April 30, 2018, at which time it should be taken down.* The Log Summary form should be signed by an executive of the company or other persons as designated by **29 CFR 1904.32(b)(4)**. For more information, please use this reference link; **29CFR 1904 Standard Table of Contents.**

ASSE Hudson River Valley Chapter Was Present at the 2018 Engineering EXPO at White Plains, NY.

The ASSE Hudson River Valley Chapter was represented at the 2018 Engineering EXPO in White Plains, NY by Crystal Turner-Moffatt, Chapter President. The EXPO took place Sunday, April 15, 2018 at the White Plains High School – Boys & Girls Gymnasiums, 550 North Street, White Plains, NY. The purpose of the EXPO is to educate regional high school and middle school students about engineering as a career through presentations and informational booths. There were fun interactive activities, Rube Goldberg Contests and Young Professional Panels. The EXPO strives to recruit students already interested in math and science and inform them of careers in engineering, (Civil Engineering, Chemical, and Electrical), to new fields like plastics, nanotechnology, biomedical engineering, pharmaceuticals, and even aerospace. Colleges and universities informed high school juniors and seniors about the requirements for engineering degrees. A group of Young Professionals held Q & A sessions for students and parents. Business and Industry presenters provided insight on how engineering is important to their industries and organizations.

For more information, this link will still bring you to their home page;

<http://www.beanengineer.org/>

ASSE Hudson River Valley Chapter Was Present at the 2018 Engineering EXPO at White Plains, NY. (Continued - Photo's).



The ASSE Hudson River Valley Chapter PDC Is **Postponed!**

HEAR YEE, HEAR YEE! THE TIME IS NEAR! SAVE THE DATE ON YOUR CALENDARS.

Yes, as the planning was underway to present to you our members, and all persons interested in promoting and or learning about Safety and Health at their workplace the biggest and best PDC held in the Hudson River Valley we had to come to a hard reality!

The ASSE Hudson River Valley Chapter's annual Professional Development Conference (PDC) had to be postponed for reasons beyond our control. We are hoping that it can be re-scheduled to be held on October 18 & 19, 2018, for a total of one and one half days duration. Steps are being taken to make this time frame a reality. As it stands now the times for this great event will be from 8:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M. on day one, and from 8:00 A.M. to 12:00 Noon on the second day. This is provided of course we can finalize arrangements and present an OSHA 10 Hour Construction Safety Course as part of the PDC. Hopefully this will happen without any more unplanned issues to prevent this from happening. More information will come on this as soon as we can finalize these new arrangements for you. Lunch will be provided as in the past, and this year a continental light breakfast might be available.

Let's be honest here, we all know Safety does not stop at the end of your workday. Hopefully you can take home some of the items presented here to be used and/or shared with your friends and family to help keep them safe as well.

National Society Elections of 2018 Are Concluded.

The ASSE National Elections for voting members closed and ended March 31, 2018. If you have voted in those elections, thank you for participating in the National ASSE process. Congratulations to Mr. Rixio Medina on his ascension to the Office of President ASSE for 2018, and all the other new officers. If you are interested in the National Elections results, information on the successful candidates can be found on this link; <http://www.asse.org/elections/results2018/>

Chapter Elections Are In Progress.

The slate of Officer Candidates for our Chapter was sent out for your information and your vote. The voting process is open until April 30, 2018. Please let us know your voting preference for or against the proposed slate of candidates. Become involved, participate in Chapter activities. This is your chapter and your participation in it is requested and desired. If you have voted as a dues paying chapter member, thank you. By the existing Chapter Bylaws, you should cast your vote by April 30, 2018. As a reminder, the positions and candidates for a two year term are;

Crystal Turner – President

Tom McCarthy – President-Elect

Curt Jones – Delegate

David Zaremsky – Treasurer

David Montalvo – Member-At-Large

Matthew McDonald – Webmaster

Charles Von Dietsch – Newsletter Editor & Chapter Secretary

Chapter Bylaws Amendment Membership Vote Closed.

As you now know, the Society is changing its name this year. One of the steps in that process was that the general membership of each Chapter had to vote on this. You have received the memo sent out about this motion to change our Chapter Bylaws to be in alignment with this process. If you have voted, thank you for your participation in the administration of the Chapter as part of the National Society. The motion was passed by membership vote.

March Technical Meeting Presentation.

At our Technical Meeting on March 15, 2018 there was a change in the presentation topic. Our original speaker was unable to make the meeting as scheduled because of family needs. The last minute change was handled by our Chapter President – Mrs. Crystal Turner-Moffatt, who gave a presentation titled “Safety Cop to Safety Coach: Tools for the Journey to Becoming an Effective Safety Professional”. This topic examined various techniques and methodologies of managing a safety program in ways that are more acceptable to all workers involved in the project. It was a very good presentation, giving insight into the changing roles and mind set necessary to be a Safety Manager / Supervisor in the field today. A photo of the Chapter President giving the slides presentation to Chapter members attending the technical meeting is inserted below.



Call for Suggested Topics.

In a previous Newsletter I asked if anyone had a topic they felt would be useful and more interesting to the general membership to be discussed at our meetings, or to be summarized in a Newsletter item, please send it in. My email contact is on the front page of this newsletter in the lower left hand corner of the vertical green stripe, and you can use it to send those ideas to me. I will bring them to the rest of the Executive Committee to discuss the possible use of your idea as a meeting topic presentation. Just about any safety related item is welcomed, either an on-the-job topic, or one for family safety at home or on vacation. There are a few guidelines that we follow which were outlined way back in June of 2016 when we published the first membership chapter newsletter. Nothing political, inflammatory, or insulting to any other person – member or not of this chapter or the Society will be put in this newsletter. Items that describe a serious violation of safety standards are encouraged and will be allowed in the newsletter, or as a live topic. Specifics that might be identifiable to a person will be removed unless the suggested item is supplied to us with the required written permissions to use some personalized details for accuracy of the incident or experience. This is an easy way for you to become more involved in the chapter, so give it a try.

Our Next Scheduled Chapter Meeting.

The next Chapter meeting is a combination Women In Safety Engineering (WISE) Meeting and a Board Meeting concerning some of the last minute planning items and logistics of chapter business. The meeting is scheduled to be held on Thursday, May 10, 2018. The location will be at the Hilton Garden Inn, 25 Westage Drive, Fishkill, NY. Easy Off Easy on I – 84, or Rite 9.

The meeting is scheduled to begin at 5:30 with light refreshments available, and will conclude no later than 8:30 P.M. Our WISE guest speaker is Linda Tapp, President of Safety FUNdamentals. Ms. Tapp will present the topic "Mind the Gap: Using Product Development to Fill Holes in Your Resume".

Since this is your Chapter, please feel free to drop by and participate in the functions of the Chapter. Who knows, you might just like it and decide to stay more involved in setting the direction and operation of the Hudson River Valley Chapter.