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Greater San Jose Chapter

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February 10, 2009 Membership Meeting

This is a joint meeting between the Greater San Jose Chapter of the American Society of Safety Engineers (ASSE) and the Northern California Chapter of the Public Agency Safety Management Association hosted by ASSE at our new venue: Hotel Biltmore in Santa Clara, California.

Topic: Safety Metrics, Using Information and Resources to Tailor Your Safety Program

Overview of Safety Metrics – including their use and limitations

- * Review examples at Contra Costa County where safety metrics have been used to encourage policy change, enhance safety program support, and develop a safety culture.
- * Discuss what metrics have been useful in your own organizations to improve safety

***Speaker: Charity Camaddo-Nicolas, MPH
Assistant Risk Manager, Loss Control
Contra Costa County***



Charity Camaddo-Nicolas has over 17 years of experience in the health and safety field. She started out as an intern at the UC Berkeley Environmental, Health & Safety department. After graduating from UC Berkeley with a Biology degree, she completed a Public Health Master's Program in Occupational Health at the University of Hawaii. She continued her training in Occupational Health and Safety, at NIOSH in West Virginia where her projects included travels to Alaska to investigate symptoms at crab packing plants and visits to 10 underground mines in the mid-west to study diesel exhaust exposure to miners.

The concept of preventing employee injuries and improving worksite safety stayed with her, and has become her passion. She returned to California to work with a private consulting company, and was assigned to work with public agencies and private companies such as Applied Materials, Sun Microsystems, Genentech, and Chevron.

Currently, she works at Contra Costa County where she has been the Assistant Risk Manager for Loss Control for 8 years. She is a working manager, and serves as a consultant, trainer, program manager, and safety leader for 30 County departments. She loves working in the field. Her greatest challenge is finding ways to make "safety" fun and exciting. She has served on the Public Agency Safety Management Association North Chapter (PASMA-North) Board for the past 5 years as treasurer, secretary, vice-president, and this year will serve as the PASMA-North President. She looks forward to improving networking opportunities and technical training for members.



Congratulations to ASSE Member Edward Urias, ASP

Edward Urias, Corporate Safety Manager for Monterey Mushrooms, Inc. had just recently completed and attained the Associate Safety Professional certification.

Good luck Edward, on taking the Certified Safety Professional (CSP) exam.

Upcoming general membership meetings



March 10, 2009	Developing a Safety Culture Management System	Jon Kaufman, KL&P Motivation www.klp.com/motivation
April 14, 2009	Emergency Response Team: Best Practices	Jay Jamali, CSP, CHMM www.envirosafetech.com
May 12, 2009	Accident Photography	Jon Moldestad LLC, Analytical and Forensic Safety Consultant
June 9, 2009	Seismic Mitigation to Minimize Earthquakes and Other Disasters' Damage to Your Property	Glen Granholm, Project Manager, Essrig Taylor Construction, Inc. www.etcusa.net
July 14, 2009	A Psychologist's Perspective on Safety Leadership: How to Motivate Safety Behaviors in 4 Simple Steps	Thomas E. (Ted) Boyce, Ph.D. President and Sr. Consultant Center for Behavioral Safety LLC www.cbsafety.com



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IS Networkworld presenters pictured with long-time professional member Dave Smith at January general membership meeting



Attendees enjoy impromptu Chicken Teriyaki meals (versus the buffet line) during the general membership meeting at the Sunnyvale location. Hotel Biltmore in Santa Clara will be the new monthly meeting venue in the near future, starting in February.