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June 2010 Newsletter

A note from ASSE President, Christopher Patton

To All of You, I Say Thanks

This month marks the end of the Society year. In July, a new slate of officers will step in to lead this organization. At Safety 2009 last June in San Antonio, TX, I shared with you my vision for this year. I told you that our first priority would be efficient execution of ASSE's strategic plan. The Board of Directors spent much time the past 2 years reengaging in the strategic planning process and ensuring that the Society's strategic plan is focused and provides clear direction for advancing our vision and mission.

I also noted that I would focus on four key areas:

- 1) Utilize technology to add value for ASSE membership.
- 2) Raise awareness about the value of SH&E professionals.
- 3) Leverage our influence by partnering with other organizations to achieve outcomes of mutual interest.
- 4) Execute and refine the new strategic planning process in which the Board of Directors has engaged.

I am happy to report that the staff and volunteer leaders have far exceeded my expectations in each of these areas. We are more active in social media than ever before and are using it in new ways. It has even provided a tool for us to turn webinars into virtual symposia, which provide tremendous opportunities for networking while learning. We are reaching more of our members in ways that are more cost-effective for them and for the Society.

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<http://assepresident.blogspot.com/2010/06/to-all-of-you-i-say-thanks.html>

Upcoming Chapter Meetings

To reserve a seat via e-mail, please send your name, telephone number and email address to:

reservations@assesj.org

Tuesday, June 8, 2010 - 12:00pm - Biltmore Hotel & Suites

Chemical Facility Anti-Terror Standard (CFATS) Program Update □ Presentation by T. Ted Cromwell, Communications Section Chief (Acting), Infrastructure Security Compliance Division, US Dept of Homeland Security

Ted Cromwell is the Acting Communications Section Chief in the Policy and Programs Branch of the Infrastructure Security Compliance Division (ISCD) in the National Protection and Programs Directorate at the U.S. Department of Homeland Security (DHS). The ISCD is the office within DHS responsible for chemical facility security regulations. Mr. Cromwell joined ISCD in 2009.

Mr. Cromwell is responsible for developing and implementing ISCD communications and outreach with key stakeholder groups. The Communications Section is also responsible for facilitating the ISCD Federal and State liaison roles which include initiatives such as harmonization of CFATS/MTSA and coordination with numerous entities such as the Federal Bureau of Investigation and State Homeland Security Advisors.

Mr. Cromwell has B.S. degrees in Psychology and Anthropology from James Madison University.



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June is Home Safety Month

Ask Americans where they feel safest and most will say their own home. However, unintentional injuries in the home result in nearly 21 million medical visits on average each year.* The Home Safety Council dedicates the month of June – Home Safety Month – to educate and empower both families and businesses to take actions that will make homes safe. “We hope to bring attention to the serious problem of preventable home injuries and its leading causes: slips and falls, poisonings and fires and burns,” says Meri-K Appy, president of the Home Safety Council. “Just a few simple steps can dramatically reduce the dangers in most homes and may even make a lifesaving difference.” Throughout Home Safety Month, the Home Safety Council encourages the public to consider their home’s danger areas and take some simple steps to minimize their risk from potential injuries, or even death.

Prevent Falls

- Have grab bars in the tub and shower.
- Have bright lights over stairs and steps and on landings.
- Have handrails on both sides of the stairs and steps.
- Use a ladder for climbing instead of a stool or furniture.
- Use baby gates at the top and bottom of the stairs, if babies or toddlers live in or visit your home.

Prevent Poisonings

- Lock poisons, cleaners, medications and all dangerous items in a place where children can’t reach them.
- Keep all cleaners in their original containers. Do not mix them together.
- Use medications carefully. Follow the directions. Use child resistant lids.
- Install carbon monoxide detectors near sleeping areas.
- Call the Poison Control Center at 1-800-222-1222 if someone takes poison. This number will connect you to emergency help in your area.

Prevent Fires & Burns

- Have working smoke alarms and hold fire drills. If you build a new home, install fire sprinklers.
- Stay by the stove when cooking, especially when you are frying food.
- Keep space heaters at least three feet away from anything that can burn. Turn them off when you leave the room or go to sleep.
- If you smoke, smoke outside. Use deep ashtrays and put water in them before you empty them. Lock matches and lighters in a place where children can’t reach them.
- Only light candles when an adult is in the room. Blow the candle out if you leave the room or go to sleep.

www.homesafetycouncil.org

Prevent Choking and Suffocation

- Things that can fit through a toilet paper tube can cause a young child to choke. Keep coins latex balloons and hard round foods, such as peanuts and hard candy out of children’s reach.
- Place children to bed on their backs. Don’t put pillows, comforters or toys in the crib.
- Clip the loops in window cords and place them up high where children can’t get them.
- Read the labels on all toys, especially if they have small parts. Be sure that your child is old enough to play with them.
- Tell children to sit down when they eat and to take small bites.



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Be Smart Around Water

- Stay within an arm's length of children in and around water. This includes bathtubs, toilets, pools and spas – even buckets of water.
- Put a fence all the way around your pool or spa.
- Empty large buckets and wading pools after using them. Keep them upside down when not in use.
- Make sure your children always swim with a grownup. No child or adult should swim alone.
- Keep your hot water at or below 120 degrees F to prevent burns.

Visit the Home Safety Resource Center at www.homesafetycouncil.org to review and download free information, including posters, brochures, safety checklists and additional tips to help safeguard your family.

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are needed to see this picture.

A FREE smart phone "app" that may just save a life!

If you are into using "apps" on your smart phone, there is one that is a **MUST HAVE** for everyone. This app is very simple to use. It contains very short videos (~30 sec.) on how to do:

- 1) Adult CPR
- 2) Adult - Compressions only if the victim is breathing on their own
- 3) Child CPR
- 4) Infant CPR
- 5) Adult Choking
- 6) Child Choking
- 7) Infant Choking

<http://www.appolicious.com/apps/cpr-choking-stone-meadow-development-llc-:35233>



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Upcoming ASSE events:



Get a Preview of What You'll Hear at Safety 2010:

ASSE has lined up an impressive selection of keynote/luncheon speakers for Safety 2010.

- **Andrew Winston**, author of Green to Gold. Listen to his latest podcasts at www.andrewwinston.com.
- **David Michaels**, OSHA administrator. Listen to his closing remarks at NIOSH's recent green jobs summit at www.cdc.gov/niosh/docs/video/safe_green_jobs.
- **Geoffrey Colvin**, author of The Upside of the Downturn. Find a podcast about his book at <http://www.biztalkradioshow.com/Podcast/tabid/124/ItemId/49/Default.aspx> and listen to his interview with Charlie Rose at www.charlierose.com/view/interview/9856.
- **Joe Malarkey**, motivational speaker and star of an entertaining series of videos that can be viewed at www.joemalarkey.com/youtubevideos.htm.

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SPEAKERS & TOPICS:

"Nano Technology Safety and Health Concerns"
 Speaker: Rick Kelly
 Facility and EH&S Manager - Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory

"Design For Safety (DFS) & Prevention through Design (PtD)"
 Speaker: Jay Jamali, CSP, CHMM, CHCM
 EHS Director - Enviro Safetech

"Cal/OSHA Standards: Upcoming, Proposed and Being Considered"
 Speaker: Marley Hart
 Executive Officer - California OSHA Standards Board