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April 10th Meeting The Twenty Foot Rule and Safety Leadership

Summary: This entertaining and educational presentation will show how common management systems such as, the open door policy and suggestion boxes, can drive employee performance or create barriers to employee involvement. The session also answers, the difference between a BMW (it's not a car), a CD and why it's critical to an organization and the twenty foot rule.

Speaker: Steven D. Boydston, CSP, ARM, ALCM, Det Norske Veritas

DINNER MEETING - 5:30 pm

Tuesday, April 9th, 2012

Industrial Rubber, 3326 Mike Padgett Hwy

\$7.50 Members \$10.00 NonMembers

MANDATORY RSVP at the website www.asseaugusta.org
or call the ASSE Voicemail at 706-790-6551 x2773 (ASSE)

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IH Corner

Grade D Breathing Air

1910.134(i)(1)(ii) states that compressed breathing air shall meet at least the requirements for Grade D breathing air described in ANSI/Compressed Gas Association Commodity Specification for Air, G-7.1-1989, to include: Oxygen content (v/v) of 19.5-23.5%; Oil mist (hydrocarbon content) of 5 milligrams per cubic meter of air or less; carbon monoxide (CO) content of 10 ppm or less; carbon dioxide content of 1,000 ppm or less; and lack of noticeable odor.

Cylinders of purchased breathing air must have a certificate of analysis from the supplier that the breathing air meets the requirements for Grade D breathing air.

For those using compressors, they must be constructed and situated so as to prevent entry of contaminated air into the air-supply system; minimize moisture content and have suitable in-line air-purifying sorbent beds and filters to further ensure breathing air quality. Sorbent beds/filters shall be maintained and replaced or refurbished periodically following the mfg instructions and have a tag containing the most recent change date and the signature of the person authorized by the employer to perform the change. The tag shall be maintained at the compressor. There is a requirement for high temp alarms on oiled compressors, but carbon monoxide can be an alarm or monitored. The frequency of the monitoring is not specified.

Need a good industrial hygienist? Give me a call, I know a few.

Matthew Parker,
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Think Before You Act!

Pre-task planning is a critical component in the success of a project, especially when it concerns the safety of our workers. Perhaps many of you are familiar with the DuPont "TAKE TWO...for Safety™". This is not a promotion of the DuPont product; rather, it's about the message: taking two minutes, or more, for hazard recognition, task based risk evaluation and risk control. Where this application really pays off is for high risk tasks, particularly those that are done on an infrequent basis (e.g. once a year) or for non-routine maintenance (e.g. troubleshooting, equipment decommissioning, etc.) Of course, TAKE stands for the acronym Talk Action Knowledge Equipment. Whether you use the DuPont system or make up your own questions, the idea is to get your employees talking about safety, equipment, and the hierarchy of controls before the job is started. Don't stop in the workplace! Apply what you know at home or on a community volunteer project too.

Before you get started, what are some tasks that would trigger pre-task planning? Consider these thought starters: controlling all types of energy (lockout/energy control); working at heights and elimination of fall hazards; identifying and controlling pinch points; equipment inspections (e.g. rigging, mobile equipment, tools, etc.); permits (e.g. hot work, confined space, roof access, etc.); working around pits or excavations; excessive noise; and/or working with hazardous/flammable substances. I'm sure you can think of many other items to review. Does the work plan involve contractors or third-party service providers? Additional planning may need to take place for successful coordination with outside help.

With solid pre-task planning, the employees performing the work have been engaged and are now aware of the hazards that must be controlled in order to perform the job safely.

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Quote of the Month

The legitimate object of government, is to do for a community of people, whatever they need to have done, but cannot do at all, or cannot so well do, for themselves in their separate, and individual capacities. In all that the people can individually do as well for themselves, government ought not to interfere. Lincoln



Jack Gilmore is receiving a plaque from Chapter President Harold Steen for 17 years of service as the Augusta Chapter Treasurer. He was the Chapter President from 1992-1993 and has been a member of the ASSE for 28 years. Even though he is retired Jack remains an active member of the Chapter.



**June 3-6, 2012
Denver Colorado**



706-790-6550

ROI of Safety

To state the obvious, employers are in business to make money. But when it comes to safety, many companies understandably justify their programs on other grounds - a sincere desire to protect workers or an understandable need to keep OSHA at bay.

While both those motivations make excellent sense and should always be front and center, it's also important to focus on another reason: A good safety program adds to the bottom line. Who says? The people who should know best: CFOs. 231 corporate financial officers at medium and large companies were asked their perceptions of how much money their organizations saved for every \$1 spent on safety. The average answer? \$4.41.

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ANSI Z10

AIHA is seeking comments on an updated AIHA/ANSI Z10 standard that defines minimum performance requirements for occupational health and safety management systems (OHSMS). The deadline for comment is May 14. ANSI Z10 is a voluntary consensus standard that uses recognized management system principles for compatibility with quality and environmental management system standards such as the ISO 9000 and ISO 14000 series. The standard also draws from approaches used by the International Labor Organization's (ILO) guidelines on Occupational Health and Safety Management Systems and from systems in use in organizations in the U.S. You can download the draft and comment forms at:

<http://www.aiha.org/insideaiha/standards/Pages/Z10.aspx>

For questions or comments contact David Hicks, AIHA (ASC Z10) Secretariat Representative, at (703) 846-0720. Questions or comments can be sent to standards@aiha.org.

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Picture of the Month



Chair Olympics Loser

Future Meetings

Date	Speaker	Topic
05/08/2011	Panel	Best Practices Roundtable

Don Garman



Don Garman was recognized for 39 years of service to ASSE. He was a Professional Member for over 35 years serving at the Chapter, region, and national levels. As a member of the Government Affairs Committee, Don wrote the 2005 "white paper" on Chemical Control Banding and in 2006 chaired the taskforce for ASSE commenting on GHS and OSHA's Advanced Notice of Proposed Rule Making for updating the HazCom Standard. Don testified before OSHA during the rule making process. In 2007 he was awarded the Charles V Culbertson Outstanding Volunteer Service Award.

OSHA/ASSE Alliance

OSHA and ASSE have extended their partnership for two more years. Among the main goals of the renewed Alliance is to continue reaching out to non-English or limited English-speaking workers including the translation of Alliance-developed products.

OSHA and ASSE will also enhance motor-vehicle safety campaigns and help raise safety awareness of public sector personnel. They will promote the annual North American Occupational Safety and Health (NAOSH) Week on May 6-12, whose theme is "Safety, What Every Business Needs."

\$187,000 fine in Gainesville, GA

OSHA has cited poultry processor KD Acquisition I LLC, doing business as Coleman Natural Foods, with 11 safety violations. OSHA's Atlanta-East Area Office opened an inspection at the KD4 processing plant on Candler Road in Gainesville after receiving a complaint in September about safety hazards. Proposed penalties total \$187,100.

Two repeat violations include allowing untrained workers to assist with and perform conveyor belt adjustments, and operating the conveyor belt system without machine guards that would protect workers from rotating parts, flying chips and sparks. Similar violations were cited at the company's KD5 plant in Braselton in 2007. Details of the citations are available in the news release

OSHA Has Revised the HazComm Standard

To better protect workers from hazardous chemicals, OSHA has revised its Hazard Communication Standard (HCS), aligning with the United Nations' global chemical labeling system (GHS).

The revised standard, once implemented, will prevent an estimated 43 deaths and result in an estimated \$475.2 million in enhanced productivity for U.S. businesses each year.

For more information about the harmonized standard visit OSHA's new Hazard Communication page

<http://www.osha.gov/dsg/hazcom/index.html>

Membership Stuff

Ready to join? Don't know how? You can apply online:

<http://www.asse.org/membership/becomeamember.php>

Newsletter Stuff

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Chapter Education Assistance

The Augusta Chapter Educational Assistance Program provides money to individual members for educational assistance in the fields of environmental, safety or health. The money must be used for training, education or certification in these fields. The Chapter will issue annual awards to approved recipients in the amount of \$250 or \$500. The amount and approval will be determined by the Chapter Board of Directors. Any request must be accompanied by a complete and separate application questionnaire. Recipients must be an active member in good standing. Monies will be paid to the institution/organization providing the training or certification. The Application form is provided below

Request for Financial Award Questionnaire

By completing this questionnaire, I am applying for financial assistance, which may be awarded from the American society of Safety Engineers Augusta Chapter. I understand this award is to be in the amount of monies to be determined by the American society of Safety Engineers Augusta Chapter and will be donated once per year. Future awards will be considered by the American Society of Safety Engineers Augusta Chapter by separate applications.

Signature _____ Date _____

1. Are you an active member of the local ASSE & National ASSE? (*Attend a minimum of five (5) monthly meetings per year*)
2. Are you working in an Environmental, Safety & Health job at this time?
3. Are you pursuing certification or a degree in the Environmental, Safety & Health field?
4. What training/certification or degree are you pursuing?
5. Does your employer pay for any of your educational expenses? How much?
6. What is your current mailing address?

Home: _____	Business: _____
_____	_____
_____	_____

7. Please give a brief summary of your immediate and long term goals as related to the profession and professional development.

8. What institution/organization are you enrolled in for pursuing this certification or degree?
