

AMERICAN SOCIETY OF SAFETY ENGINEERS



ASSE



AUGUSTA CHAPTER NEWSLETTER

Chapter Officers

President

Maria Neis – John Deere
(706) 854-4514

NeisMariaKatrina@JohnDeere.com

Vice President

Harold Steen, Halocarbon Products
(803) 278-3500 ext. 215
hsteen@halocarbon.com

Secretary

Tim Nelken; MCG
(706) 721-9643
tnelken@mail.mcg.edu

Treasurer

Jack Gilmore; Retired
(803) 649-1358
jackgmo@gforcecable.com

Membership

Jim Dickson
(803) 279-9451
cjdickson@bellsouth.net

Government Affairs

Tim Nelken; MCG
(706) 721-9643
tnelken@mail.mcg.edu

Programs

Stan Norton; Industrial Rubber
(706) 790-6550
snorton@rubberstore.net

Public Relations

Richard Dorman; Thermal Ceramics
(706) 560-4018
rdorman@thermalceramics.com

Past-President

David Coley – Standard Aero
(706) 771-5228
David.Coley@StandardAero.com

Newsletter Editor

Matthew Parker, ATC Associates
706-722-3310
matthew.parker@atcassociates.com

Summer Newsletter

This is NOT the first newsletter of the next chapter year. It is a summer newsletter to keep the society in your thoughts and urge you to “pencil in” the meeting dates now. The chapter meets on the second Tuesday of the month. The dates and topics for the first few meetings are:

- September 8, 2009 - David Osbon from UniFirst to talk about FR clothing and the new types available
- October 13, 2009- Andrew Steltmann from OMRON STI to talk about machine safety
- November 11, 2009- Robert Greenwood to speak on “You Don’t Have A Safety Problem, You Have A Leadership Issue” NOTE: This meeting will be held at Bobby's BBQ in Aiken as a luncheon.

In the ready, set, go of things...this is the “READY”. The military does something similar called the Warning Order. Whatever you want to call it, please read it.

ASSE AUGUSTA CHAPTER NEWSLETTER

IH Corner

David Michaels— President's Choice to Lead OSHA

The White House says President Barack Obama plans to nominate an epidemiologist to head the government's workplace safety agency.

The White House on Tuesday said David Michaels, PhD, MPH, is the president's choice to lead the Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA). The position also makes him an assistant secretary in the Labor Department.

Michaels is a professor at The George Washington University School of Public Health and Health Services. He previously worked in the Clinton administration, focusing on the health of workers and neighbors of nuclear weapons facilities.

The OSHA position requires Senate confirmation. AIHA is pleased that the administration has moved ahead with this nomination and looks forward to working with the new leader of OSHA.

Okay, this wasn't really an IH topic, but I first saw this news on the AIHA website. Need a good industrial hygienist? Give me a call, I know a few.

Matthew Parker
ATC Associates
706-722-3310

matthew.parker@atcassociates.com
Newsletter Editor

President's Message

The children are all starting back to school and this means the Augusta ASSE chapter will also be starting back up with our monthly meetings.

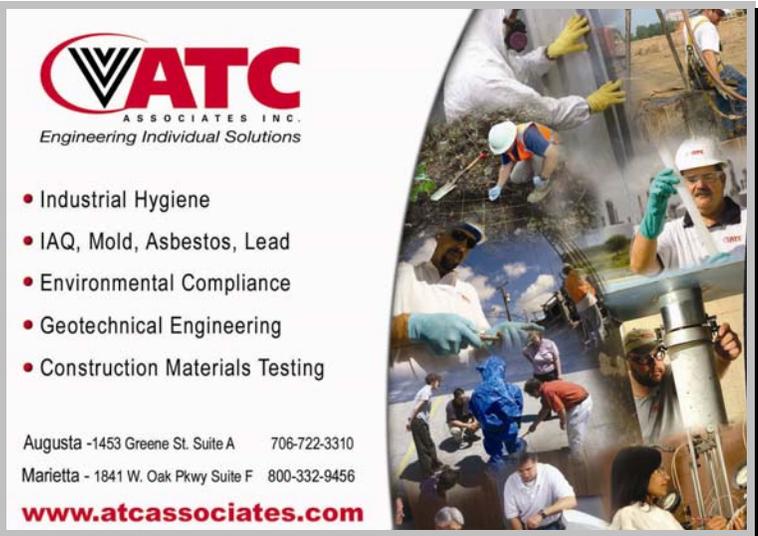
We have hopefully an action pack and very informative first few months of meetings set up. In September David Osbon from UniFirst will be talking about FR clothing and the newest types available. This will be a great meeting for those of us with NFPA 70E standards to meet. October the speaker will be presenting on Machine safety. Andrew Steltmann from OMRON STI will join us. November's meeting will be a change from our usual pace. We will be having a day time meeting at Bobby's BBQ in Aiken. This meeting will be entitled: "You Don't Have A Safety Problem, You Have A Leadership Issue".

I encourage you all to bring one new member to the meeting this year. Our chapter continues to grow but, new members are always welcome. Please contact Jim Dickson for a membership application if you know of someone who is interested in joining.

We have had our monthly meals at \$5 for many years. The cost for many other ASSE chapters is much higher. Stan has done a great job of organizing the catered meal for us but, due to members not pre-registering for meal we have had to order more food than we anticipate. This creates also has us wasting some of the food because it can not all be consumed before it spoils. The board has decided to raise the price to \$7.50 per member and \$10 for non-members.

I look forward to seeing you at the meeting.

Maria Neis
President, Augusta ASSE



ATC
ASSOCIATES INC.
Engineering Individual Solutions

- Industrial Hygiene
- IAQ, Mold, Asbestos, Lead
- Environmental Compliance
- Geotechnical Engineering
- Construction Materials Testing

Augusta - 1453 Greene St. Suite A 706-722-3310
Marietta - 1841 W. Oak Pkwy Suite F 800-332-9456
www.atcassociates.com

ASSE AUGUSTA CHAPTER NEWSLETTER

Worker cooked to death at soup factory

Excerpted from
SafetyNewsUpdate@PBPIInfo.com

A worker at a Lübeck soup factory died after getting trapped inside a giant cauldron and cooking to death, daily Bild reported Saturday. The accident happened at midday on Friday, the newspaper reported, when the man climbed into a cauldron at the Eraso soup factory to clean it. The cauldron's lid suddenly closed while the 36-year-old was still inside and began to fill with steam as part of the disinfection process. A doctor confirmed that the unidentified man had been cooked to death. Erasco makes soups, stews and other foods at the Lübeck factory. The company has been in business since 1873. "The circumstances of how such an accident could have occurred have not yet been explained," Lübeck police spokesman Detlef Ridel told Bild. The police and the city's office for workplace safety are jointly investigating the accident.

Page Sponsor

**The Largest Commercial
Security Provider In the CSRA**



**The Home of
Value Added Security Services**
706-738-3113
erniesizemore@bellsouth.net

CSB Releases New Safety Video, "Combustible Dust: An Insidious Hazard" These are good awareness video.

This is excerpted Linked-In Safety Training Group.

The U.S. Chemical Safety Board (CSB) today released a new safety video depicting how accumulations of combustible dust at worksites can provide the fuel for devastating explosions that kill and maim workers, shut down plants, and harm local economies.

Entitled, "Combustible Dust: An Insidious Hazard," the new video is available online at www.CSB.gov, and on YouTube. It can also be ordered free of charge on a new two-DVD set of all CSB safety videos by filling out the CSB's online DVD request form.

"Combustible Dust" features all-new CSB computer animations which illustrate three major dust explosion accidents the CSB has investigated: West Pharmaceutical Services in Kinston, North Carolina; CTA Acoustics in Corbin, Kentucky; and Hayes Lemmerz International, in Huntington, Indiana.

For each accident, the animations show how explosive dust accumulated over years on plant equipment, pipes, floors, ducts, dust collectors, and other areas. The video shows how conditions develop needing only an ignition source to set off a primary explosion, which lofts the accumulated dust, leading to deadlier secondary explosions.

News footage and still photographs depict actual damage caused by these explosions, as well as other accidents including last year's tragedy which killed 14 workers at the Imperial Sugar Company in Port Wentworth, Georgia.

The video points out that dust accumulations – and the resulting secondary dust explosions – can be readily prevented. National Fire Protection Association standards have long been available to general industry and, if followed, will prevent such accidents, as NFPA official Amy Beasley Spencer states in the video.

Laboratory footage in the video depicts how easily combustible dust ignites, as a small dust sample gathered by investigators in the rubble of a dust explosion site is lofted over a flame and creates an instant fireball.

Visit our website, www.csb.gov."

<http://www.csb.gov/videoroom/detail.aspx?VID=30&idevd=3273EF46CAE811DD8ECCD75256D89593&idevm=cf4e426edf7a43918a513638b9a7d178&idevmid=391731>

ASSE AUGUSTA CHAPTER NEWSLETTER

Picture of the Month



Need A Lift???

"Catch the Spirit!"

On Line registration and information for the combined GEORGIA SAFETY, HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENTAL CONFERENCE and the GEORGIA EMPLOYER COMMITTEE STATE CONFERENCE

is available at www.georgiaconference.org October 20-22, 2009 - Savannah email jimmy.mize@dol.state.ga.us with questions

Newsletter Stuff:

If you are not receiving this newsletter directly from matthew.parker@atcassociates.com, Send me an email and I will add you to the distribution list

Membership Stuff

Ready to join? Don't know how? You can apply online: <http://www.asse.org/membership/becomeamember.php>
List your humble newsletter editor as your sponsor.

Bare All for Safety??

Excerpted from <http://www.safetynewsalert.com>

Think you've tried everything to get and keep employees' attention during regular safety meetings? You probably haven't tried this. Air New Zealand is using a new tactic to make sure passengers keep their eyes on video screens for its in-flight safety instructions. The carrier's safety video for domestic service on its Boeing 737 planes show pilot and cabin crew dressed only in body paint. To make sure the video wouldn't get a X rating, the camera angles are carefully chosen and the crew holds up strategically-placed items such as life vests. You can view the safety video online [here](#).

Read



Texting while driving: Take this test

Just how distracting is it to send text messages while driving? Try your skills online. *The New York Times* recently posted a game to show what happens when typical driving distractions are combined with trying to send text messages. Click [here](#) to try it out.

When you're done, you'll see how much slower your reaction time was while texting compared to the average driver. Note: Regardless of your results, experts say, don't attempt to text while driving. Do you have employees who think they can talk or text on a cell phone while driving? Show them this test.

Page Sponsor



**INDUSTRIAL
RUBBER &
SUPPLY, INC.**

**100 YEARS OF EXPERIENCE
SERVING LOCAL INDUSTRY**

706-790-6550

ASSE AUGUSTA CHAPTER NEWSLETTER

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?
