



AMERICAN SOCIETY OF
SAFETY PROFESSIONALS

Alabama Chapter

November '24 Newsletter

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PRESIDENT'S LETTER

Our next workshop will be on November 8 and is Electrical Safety in Construction. This will be at the **ABC** facility in Homewood. **Dr. David Carpenter, Principal Integrity Institute**, will be the speaker at this event. It should last between 2 and 2.5 hours. An **Alabama Chapter** mailing went out on October 29 announcing this event with registration. You can register for this event at monica@abc-alabama.org. Continuing education credit will be provided for this workshop.

The next **Alabama Chapter** meeting will be on Friday November 15, 2024 at our usual **AGC** location in Irondale, AL. The presentation will be on *Common Ergonomic Injuries and Corrective Actions to Prevent Reoccurrence*. Our presenter will be **Mr. Ben Angle, Partner/On Site Manager with Therapy South at Work**. You can register for this event through the link on our November Newsletter, or on our website under upcoming events.

We have been able to setup scheduled presentations out several months out with these upcoming presentations:

- OSHA and ADEM Regulatory Update and Round Table Q&A (Trying to get MSHA to also Attend) December 13, 2024 (A 2nd Friday not 3rd)
- Machine Guarding January 17, 2025
- Jacksonville State University Student Section/Chapter event February 21, 2025 Fire Issues and Explosive Outcomes
- March 2025 open at moment
- Recordkeeping Update including requirements for Construction Industry presented by OSHA April 18, 2025
- Member Recognition Luncheon May 16, 2025 including 2025-2026 executive committee election
- June 20, 2025 New Executive Committee handover meeting with presentation TBD

October 24, 2024 was the **Fall Regional ASSP ROC** meeting in Tuscaloosa, AL. Most Region IV Chapters were present at the meeting. One of the updates was as part of your membership you can be a part of the BISE or WISE groups and if you participate in these organizations, you are not charged any more. There are also Community Incentives that Chapters can get for meetings such as gift cards. This does not seem to be available yet but is coming soon. Based on what Vincent and myself heard at this meeting the Alabama Chapter is one of the larger Chapters and doing better than many of the other Chapters in this region. **Thank you to all members and the executive committee for making our chapter successful.**

The **Jacksonville State University ASSP Student Section** has postponed the Golf Tournament planned for Saturday. They still plan to host one in the future so if you have questions or want to help, contact **Jackson Sweatt** directly at jsweatt2@stu.jsu.edu.

The **Region IV Professional Development Conference** will be held in **Baton Rouge, LA** next April 16-17, 2025. It will be at the **Hilton Capital Center Downtown 201 Lafayette St, Baton Rouge, Louisiana**. Registration is now open for this event. Registration is on the **ASSP Region IV 2025 PDC** website.

The **Alabama Chapter** is working on a spring workshop on **Fall Protection**. This will include a presentation on OSHA General Industry and Construction Standards along with a comparison and difference between each. Fall protection PPE will be discussed along with a demonstration on falling with the equipment. Information on this event will be provided when finalized. This will be a half day workshop with CEU credit.

Be careful and safe out there in your daily travels.

Thomas Ten Eyck, CSP

ASSP Alabama Chapter President

MEMBERSHIP UPDATES

New Members October '24

- Morton Bethune
- Christopher Hatch
- Jason Lewis
- Kahlid Nadim

Long Service Members November '24

- Ryan Shirley, 5 Years
- Bengie Harper, 6 Years
- Mitzi Jones, 6 Years
- Haley Quin, 7 Years
- Kevin Harris, 7 Years
- Michael Key, 8 Years
- Bennie Davis, 8 Years
- Robert Miles, 8 Years
- Andrew Perkins, 12 Years
- Stephanie O'Melia, 14 Years
- Steven Sikora, 15 Years
- Edward Ward, 19 Years
- Gerard Davis, 22 Years
- Al Niles, 39 Years

UPCOMING EVENTS

Chapter Meeting Announcement

Date and Time: November 15 | 11:30 am - 1:00 pm

Location: Alabama AGC, 5000 Grantswood Rd #100, Irondale, AL 35210

Title: *Common Ergonomic Injuries and Corrective Actions to Prevent Reoccurrence*

Speaker: Mr. Ben Angle

Ben is Partner and On Site Manager with Therapy South at Work. You can register for this event through the link on our November Newsletter, or on our website under upcoming events.

Register Here To Attend!

Zoom is available.
Free Lunch In-Room.
Attendees receive CEUs!

If you have questions, contact Thomas Ten Eyck @ 205-348-8563 or Vincent Scott @ 205-581-2812

AIHA Alabama Chapter 2024 Fall Conference

Date and Time: November 8 | 8:00 am - 2:00 pm

Location: Alabama AGC, 5000 Grantswood Rd #100, Irondale, AL 35210

Title: *AIHA Alabama Local Section Fall Conference 2024*

Speaker: [See Agenda Here](#)

Not too late! Our friends over at AIHA - and colleagues to many of us - asked that we share information on their Fall Conference with our members. Half day conference with lunch included and Donald Elswick as keynote speaker after lunch. The link below has flyer. Contact them at aiha.alabama@gmail.com if there are any questions.

Click Here To Register!

Blacks in Safety Excellence

[Making the Case for Ergonomics](#)

Complimentary Education | Thursday, Nov. 14 | 11 a.m. CT | 0.1 CEUs

Ben Zavitz from General Electric and Ann Hall from Chubb will showcase real-life examples of the tangible benefits provided by effective ergonomics efforts. [Register today](#)

[Check the Events Page regularly!](#)

RECENT ACTIVITY

October Chapter Meeting



Michael Rasbury from **UA SafeState** spoke to us about the topic ***Chemical Inventory Management and EHS Reporting***. I was again surprised to hear of details in regulations that I thought I knew everything about. [If you weren't there, you can watch it at this link.](#) We also hope Michael is feeling better

soon. Watch the video to hear the "Broken Leg Story"... and it won't cost you anything.

ABC Silica Workshop Event



Workshop 2024 - Silica: Hazards and Controls

ABC, UA Safe State, and Alabama Chapter ASSP partnered to hold a half day workshop on Silica: Hazards and Controls that focused on silica exposures to construction workers. OSHA established a Silica Standard for the Construction Industry. It developed tables that provided guidance for engineering controls and employee protection during construction activities. If you followed the table requirements for these activities engineering and worker protection requirements were provided.

Mr. Randy Easterling, UA Safe State H&S Supervisor, presented on silica hazards and controls. Approximately 30 participants from Alabama, Georgia, Mississippi, and Tennessee listened to the presentation. It provided an understanding of what OSHA expects construction contractors to do while performing activities listed in the tables. The presentation discussed engineering controls including issues with using water and respiratory protection issues. A demonstration of the air sampling requirements was also performed by Mr. Matt Sprague, UA Safe State Health Consultant. This demonstration showed how the sampling should be setup and calibrated as well as possible issues during calibration.

Thanks to ABC for the use of their facility for this event and providing breakfast for the attendees and presenters. The next ABC, UA Safe State, and Alabama Chapter ASSP workshop event will be Electrical Issues in Construction presented by Dr. David Carpenter, Integrity Institute. This event will be on November 8, 2024 and is also a half-day workshop. Registration will be available soon through ABC, monica@abc-alabama.org. The ABC office in Homewood, AL will be the location for this workshop.

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

Job Opportunity

Health, Safety & Environmental Manager

Job Details

Job Location - Parrish Plant, Parrish, AL

Position Type - Full Time

Job Shift - Day

Description

Job Summary: The HSE Manager is responsible for ensuring the Safety of Employees, the Environment, and Compliance with relevant Health and Safety Regulations.

Primary Job Responsibilities:

1. Designs and enforces Health, Safety, and Environmental policies to ensure the facility meets regulatory requirements (OSHA, EPA, etc.).
2. Creates and updates safety management systems, procedures, and protocols tailored to the unique hazards of the chemical industry.
3. Conducts regular risk assessments, hazard analyses, and safety audits of plant operations and chemical processes.
4. Implements measures to minimize potential safety risks, including emergency response plans and incident management systems.
5. Leads and organizes employee training on health and safety practices, hazardous materials handling, proper use of PPE and environmental

regulations.

6. Fosters a safety-first culture by promoting awareness and best practices among employees.

7. Ensures compliance with local, state, and federal regulations, including hazardous material storage, waste disposal, air and water quality management, and chemical handling protocols.

[Use this link to see more details and apply.](#)

We are always looking to network and find out if there are job openings. The jobs must be in an Environment, Health and Safety function. For example: Fleet Safety Manager, Director of Environmental, Health and Safety, Risk Manager, etc.

We will post the jobs to our website. No charge but the chapter is always accepting donations to help establish our scholarship fund. Your contribution is appreciated.

Please e-mail the job information to secretary@alabama.assp.org.

[Visit the Alabama ASSP Chapter Jobs Page](#)



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