



AMERICAN SOCIETY OF
SAFETY PROFESSIONALS

Alabama Chapter

July '25 Newsletter

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PRESIDENT'S LETTER

Dear Vincent,

There will be no meeting for the **Alabama Chapter** in July. Enjoy your summer vacations wherever they may take you.

The **Alabama Chapter** leadership will be changing in 2 years and we would like to begin training those who would be interested in serving on the executive committee. We would like to start to train new leaders for the secretary and treasurer positions. If you are interested in learning to become one of the leaders for the Chapter let one of the current executive committee members know.

The **Opelika/Auburn/Montgomery Section** will hold a meeting on July 17. It will be at the **Neptune** facility in *Tallassee*. The presentation will be on ***Your Experience Modification Rating: What is It and How to Improve and Protect It!***

The **Alabama Chapter** upcoming meetings:

- August 15 - Mr. Thomas Robinson, AGC Safety, Mental Health Issues in the Safety Field
- September 19 - Mr. Danny Smith, Safe Start, Blame vs Accountability
- October - ASSP AL/MS event, topic to be announced
- Dr. Peter Vanderlyke TBD in November

Note that we will have our November meeting on the third Thursday rather than Friday.

Safety 2025 Conference and Expo is at the **Orlando Conference Center** in *Orlando, Florida* at the end of the month. The conference is July 22-24 with pre-conference continuing education courses available for extra CEUs. If anyone is attending, please provide the chapter with an update on the conference.

The **Governor's Safety and Health Conference** is at the **Perdido Resort** in *Orange Beach*, August 25-27, 2025. Registration is still open. Hotel spaces for the conference hotels are now limited. Registration is through the [University of Alabama Office of Academic Affairs Teaching Innovation and Digital Education](#) website. A single day registration is available. There are also pre-conference courses available. Check out their website for more information.

Be careful and safe out there in your daily travels.

Thomas Ten Eyck, CSP
ASSP Alabama Chapter President

MEMBERSHIP UPDATES

New Members June '25

- Raymond Hamley
- Derek Hastings
- Brendan Nelson

Long Service Members July '25

- Kyle Frazier, 6 Years

- Tonia Thompson, 8 Years
- Robert Trimble, 10 Years
- Matthew Brown, 13 Years
- Carroll Kears, 14 Years
- Andre Marvray, 20 Years
- Christopher England, 23 Years
- Donnie Glover, 27 Years
- William Richardson, 36 Years
- Charles Shivers, 39 Years
- Ronald Hallmark, 44 Years

UPCOMING EVENTS

Chapter Meeting

NO JULY MEETING!

Section Meeting

ASSP – AUBURN/MONTGOMERY SECTION MEETING

July 17th; 11 am – 1 pm

Location: Neptune, 1600 AL-229S, Tallahassee, AL

Lunch will be provided by Neptune

Speaker: Robert Moore, Loss Control Manager with
WorkersFirst CompFund

Topic:

Your **Experience Modification Rating**: What is It and How
to Improve and Protect It!

Networking at 11 am; lunch will be served at 11:30 am; presentation to
begin at 12 pm.



RSVP: Tina Arthur-Peterworth
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By EOD July 15th



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**Please let Vincent know if you will be attending.
(Secretary@alabama.assp.org)**

Would also be wonderful if someone would give us a report of any special announcements or activities.

SDS Fluency: THE Essential Skill for OEHS Professionals

August 1st, 9-11 AM central, there will be a webinar to help us fully understand the intricacies of the Safety Data Sheet. This free course is hosted by the **University of South Florida College of Public Health's Sunshine Education and Research Center (ERC)** and **University of South Florida OSHA Training Institute Education Center**. Use the link below to see the details and register.

[Register Here](#)

[Check the Events Page regularly!](#)

RECENT ACTIVITY

June Chapter Meeting

A big thanks to **Randy Easterling** for our frank discussion on why we have Safety Management Systems and how we can improve them. He emphasized the need to have everyone in our companies involved in the safety program starting at the top. He also mentioned some informative presentations that we have had at our ASSP meetings in the past and that are coming in the future. [Be sure to look at past recordings on our Youtube Channel.](#)



Randy getting started



Randy with part of crowd

[You can find presentation here.](#)

[Or watch Zoom recording here.](#)

Safety Message

*A summer themed message from an expert in drowning
and relayed by Tina Arthur-Peterworth.*

Drowning Doesn't Look Like Drowning by [Mario Vittone](#) (Used with permission)

The new captain jumped from the deck, fully dressed, and sprinted through the water. A former lifeguard, he kept his eyes on his victim as he headed straight for the couple swimming between their anchored sport-fisher and the beach. "I think he thinks you're drowning," the husband said to his wife. They had been splashing each other and she had screamed but now they were just standing, neck-deep on the sand bar. "We're fine, what is he doing?" she asked, a little annoyed. "We're fine!" the husband yelled, waving him off, but his captain kept swimming hard. "Move!" he barked as he sprinted between the stunned owners. Directly behind them, not ten feet away, their nine-year-old daughter was drowning. Safely above the surface in the arms of the captain, she burst into tears, "Daddy!"

How did this captain know – from fifty feet away – what the father couldn't recognize from just ten? Drowning is not the violent, splashing, call for help that most people expect. The captain was trained to recognize drowning by experts and years of experience. The father, on the other hand, had learned what drowning looks like by watching television. If you spend time on or near the water (hint: that's all of us) then you should make sure that you and your crew knows what to look for whenever people enter the water. Until she cried a tearful, "Daddy," she hadn't made a sound. As a former Coast Guard rescue swimmer, I wasn't surprised at all by this story. Drowning is almost always a deceptively quiet event. The waving, splashing, and yelling that dramatic conditioning (television) prepares us to look for, is rarely seen in real life.

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CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

[Senior Safety Officer - Biosafety](#)

UAB is looking for a Biosafety Officer who will develop, implement, and provide oversight of the institutional biosafety program in compliance with applicable federal, state, and local regulations and guidelines (e.g., NIH Guidelines, CDD/USDA regulations, OSHA standards). To establish biosafety policies and procedures, conduct risk assessments, advise researchers on safe laboratory practices, oversee biosafety training, support the Institutional Biosafety Committee (IBC), and respond to incidents involving biological agents. To promote a culture of safety and regulatory compliance, enabling innovative research while protecting faculty, staff, students, the community, and the environment.

[Liberty Mutual Technical Consultant - Risk Control in Birmingham Area](#)

Liberty Mutual is looking for a Technical Consultant for Risk Control in the Birmingham, AL area.

The Tech Consultant provides moderately to highly complex consultative services to an assigned group of customers within a loss prevention specialty area or territory. Conducts on-site evaluations, evaluates data, and creates/implements service plans to control customer source of risk, losses and costs. Provides all lines risk assessment services and information to track progress and demonstrate the value of doing business with Liberty Mutual. Serves as a trainer/mentor to less experienced consultants in their specialty area at the discretion of their manager. Enhances the Company's leadership position in the safety field through developing key relationships.

[District Sales Manager for Safety Shoe Distributors](#)

Seeking Accomplished Salesperson

Safety Shoe Distributors is looking for a results-driven salesperson to actively seek out and engage customer prospects, while maintaining current account base. You will provide appropriate safety footwear program solutions for

every customer in order to boost top-line revenue growth, and profitability; while steadily prospecting for new business. The sales territory is the Birmingham area and the state of Alabama. Our company benefits include health, dental, and vision insurance, 401K, and car allowance.

AL Warehouse Job for Safety Shoe Distributors

We are seeking a part-time warehouse employee to work in our attached inventory warehouse. We are a safety footwear distribution company. We are looking for a team-oriented individual who is willing to be flexible and receptive to on-the-job responsibilities.

Must be able to work well as a team member. Must be reliable and be able to be on time for every workday.

Must be astute in following directions. Must be flexible in what the day-to-day workload brings.

Must be able to lift at least 10lb+ boxes if necessary.

Monday through Fridays 11:00AM – 4:30 PM, no weekends.

Independent Mobile Sales Consultant for Safety Shoe Distributors

Gross earnings based on overall commission, more sales = more earnings

We are seeking a full-time sales person/driver to operate a ShoeMobile. This is a 26' box truck, converted into a mobile store. Similar to a mobile tool route, but we sell safety footwear. Clean driving record necessary.

- Must be able to check and keep up with an electronic calendar for route visits.
 - Must be able to work independently.
 - Must be reliable and be able to be on time for all appointments.
 - Must be able to work different hours depending on our customers' needs.
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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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