



**Colorado Chapter  
American Society  
of Safety Engineers**

# The Mile High Report

NOVEMBER 2016

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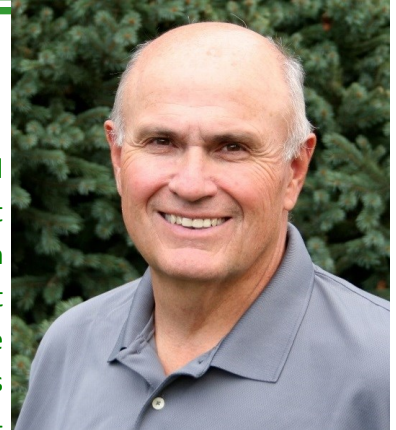
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## President's Message



The chapter year is moving along. The October Lunch and Learn is behind us and the November Technical tour is at maximum attendees. We anticipated a lot of interest in the tour, but as many of you can relate to, the resources it takes for a business to host a tour is significant. We are limited to 30 people attending the tour. Brian Pals has tried to arrange a second tour, but he is unable to convince the business to allow a second group. The tour will be a great experience. I am disappointed that I was not able to register in time to be able to attend the tour.

For the December Lunch and Learn meeting, the topic will be a *Mock OSHA Inspection*, presented by Chris Matthewson. We are looking at an alternate location for this meeting so when you register for the Lunch and Learn, pay attention to the meeting location. We would like the attendance to reach 100 or more and to help promote this, we will be discounting the registration to \$8.00 per person. Please invite colleagues to attend so we have can reach our 100 attendee goal. Not only will Chris do an outstanding job presenting, but the meal will be a great value as well.

For those members that *"kind of want to volunteer"* but are concerned with the time commitment and the benefit, one consideration that should be noted is the leadership opportunities that come with being a board member of the Chapter. Each year Society holds a leadership conference and the programs and training offered at this event are outstanding. The Colorado Chapter has made a commitment to send board members to this event each year. If an employer will cover the cost of attending, that is great. If the employer does not or will not cover the cost; we believe the benefits of attending are great enough that the Chapter will cover the cost to attend. Every person that has attended one of these leadership conferences will attest to the value. When you see a board member, ask them about the leadership conference and when you hear about what they learned and the benefits of attending, consider being more involved in the Chapter. With all that noted, in January 2017, we will be looking for members to join the board and serve as officers. Please consider running for office and becoming involved in the leadership of the Chapter.

Always feel free to email me – [Dan@KlimekConsulting.com](mailto:Dan@KlimekConsulting.com) or call 303-241-0986

# Lunch and Learn — December 13, 2016

## OSHA Complaint Inspection Process/Holiday Social

**Presenter:** Chris Matthewson, CHST, CET, STSC

Join Chris as he takes the audience through a presentation detailing the steps of an OSHA inspection. This presentation begins with a complaint being filed with OSHA and follows the process through to the informal conference. These questions and more will be answered: How does the Compliance Officer prepare for the inspection? On the day(s) of the inspection, what happens during the Opening, Walk Around, and Closing conferences? What are the employer and employee rights? If citations are issued, what is the timeframe and steps of the Informal Conference?

Chris Matthewson worked in the construction industry as an electrician for Local 688 in Mansfield, OH for 14 years. In 1992 Chris began his OSHA career. He started as a Compliance Officer recording more than 500 inspections. He became qualified as an electrical expert in Federal Court in 1999. He has also worked as a Compliance Assistance Specialist and a Labor Liaison working proactively for safety in the workplace. He graduated from Franklin University in Ohio with a degree in Business. He continues to be an OSHA 10 and 30 hour trainer in construction.

[Register today!](#) Cost is \$8.00 with pre-registration for Holiday Social and \$23.00 without an advance RSVP.

**Bring a child's bicycle helmet to be donated to local charities during the Holidays!**



### Location:

Denver First Church  
of the Nazarene  
3800 E. Hampden Ave  
Englewood, CO 80113

### Registration/Lunch:

11:00am—11:45am

### Presentation:

11:45am—1pm

## Board Member Spotlight

Dan is currently the President of the Colorado Chapter. He joined the ASSE as a student member in 1978 and has maintained his membership since. Dan states that the ASSE has provided a network of safety professionals that have helped him throughout his career. Since Dan has moved around the Midwest he has had the opportunity to be part of various chapters. He has been involved as a board member for the in various chapters and has always found his involvement to be personally and professional rewarding.

Dan is the owner and principle of Klimek Consulting, Inc. which offers custom freelance safety, training and environmental services. He has worked with companies in a number of different industries on various projects such as safety program development and the related safety training; field audits of work crews and safety management systems; workers' compensation claims management; as well as just giving advice.

Dan provided Loss Control and Safety Management consultation to Sisk and Company and their clients, as well as support



to the company's staff. While working with Sisk and Company, he developed the MSEA Preferred Hiring Process. He also produced and recorded the You Tube "Dan the Safety Man" video series. He also created / assembled the content for the website, *PetroDocs*, de-

# Spotlight Continued

signed to provide safety solutions to the Oil & Gas industry.

Before incorporating his own consulting business, he worked for Nebraska Public Power District (NPPD) as the Energy Supply Training Manager. He provided leadership and direction to a staff of trainers as well as a web designer. The group developed and delivered training programs, live presentations, written materials and web-based training programs. While with NPPD, he developed courses for all OSHA required training programs and expanded the use of Computer-Based Training (CBT). He also developed a program entitled, *The Competitive Advantage Process*, which involved supervisors and front line employees in understanding business pro-

cesses and solving management and production problems.

While working as a Senior Environmental Coordinator for Mid-American Energy (formerly Midwest Power, and Iowa Power) he designed and managed multimillion-dollar environmental cleanup projects. One of his projects included coordinating a research project between MidAmerican Energy and Iowa State University for the use of thermal desorption to treat manufactured gas plant wastes. Another project involved multi-site cleanup of manufactured gas plants and was identified by the US EPA as an innovative technology.

Prior to joining the MGP group, Dan worked in the generation group where he was responsible for safety program management, training, environmental compliance and department management. While in that capacity he managed the asbestos abatement activities and encouraged the use of asbestos substitute materials. His initiative made the Council Bluffs Energy Center a national leader in the use of such products.

## ASSE Chapter Notices



### Oil & Gas Practice Specialty Group Meeting

Next meeting is scheduled for January 12, 2017, 2-3pm at QEP located at 1050 17th Street, Denver, CO. Room # TBD

Contact Jeff Citrone  
 jcitrone@billbarrettcorp.com.



### Construction Practice Specialty Meeting

will be held on the 3rd Wednesday of the month, Nov 16th at 10am. The location is Panera Bread located at 14740 W. Colfax Ave #110 Lakewood, CO 80401.

Contact: Jerry Salgado or Matt.Ogle@jedunn.com



### ASP/CSP Study Group

This study group for members that are interested in sitting for either or both the ASP or CSP exams will meet regularly. If you are interested in participating please contact Ilene Presworsky or Dawn Keeler to be added to the study group email.

Ilene@CrystalClearHSE.com  
 dw980111@dal.ca



## Safety 2017 Coming to Denver!

Safety 2017 will be held in Denver from June 19 through 22, 2017. We are looking for 80 to 100 volunteers to act as moderators for the PDC sessions. A moderator must volunteer for at least 3 sessions, but can volunteer for more. Moderators must be an ASSE member. If one does volunteer as a moderator, the discounted price for Safety 2017 will be \$505.00, which is approximately a 38% discount.

We are also looking for approximately 50 greeters to be available in the convention center and convention hotels to help attendees with questions and directions. Greeters do not need to be ASSE members, but should have knowledge of the downtown Denver area.

The greeters would participate in 3 ways: tech help, hotel greeters and convention center greeters. This year ASSE will be adding a kiosk in the registration area to help attendees set-up and activate the Safety 2017 phone application immediately upon receiving their conference materials. It is hoped that student members, or tech savvy members will man this kiosk. The hotel greeters would cover Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday; the convention center greeters would cover Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and possibly Thursday morning. There is a Visit Denver booth in the convention center entrance area that can provide materials and maps. Hotel greeters need to visit the hotels they are assigned to before Monday to determine the best location for them to stand.

Greeters who volunteer for at least 4 hours of service will receive a \$100 benefit. This benefit chosen by the volunteer can be either: 1) a \$100 gift card to the ASSE store, which sells ASSE/Chapter logo gear and reference books/standards or; 2) a \$50 gift card to the ASSE store and a free lunch on Thursday (Tuesday & Wednesday lunches are already free to attendees).

Please contact Jeff Citrone at [jcitrone@kahunaventures.com](mailto:jcitrone@kahunaventures.com) if you are interested in being a moderator or greeter .



The ASSE Colorado Chapter has a job board on our website that is available to all members. If you have an opening please contact James Larson at the email below:

[James.Larson@nrel.gov](mailto:James.Larson@nrel.gov)



**Lunch and Learns**

**January 10, 2017**

**Joint Meeting w/ RIMS**

**February 14, 2017**

**Breakfast w/ OSHA**