



CENTRAL  
INDIANA  
CHAPTER

## June Newsletter

### PRESIDENT'S LETTER

Two years goes by fast when you love what you do... My term as your Chapter President will come to an end in June. I would like to thank you for the opportunity to lead this great chapter and to make a difference in our profession. It was an honor to work with your Board of Directors that is made up of some of the best and most dedicated professionals I have ever met. I would like to thank each one of them now for their energy, counsel and commitment.

We truly have a special Chapter which will continue to benefit from excellent leadership. I am excited to see where the newly elected officers, led by incoming Chapter President Jeff Fox, will take us next. I won't be far though! I am excited and honored to take on the role of ASSP Regional Vice President for our region (Region VII) starting in July. From this role I will continue to support your Central Indiana Chapter. Know that you and your Chapter will always hold a special place in my heart as the model of a successful, inclusive and inspiring group to be a member of.

I want to leave you with a challenge: Are you ready to step up and make a difference in our profession and your career? If so, this chapter is your path. What are you waiting for

Chet Brandon  
CIASSP Chapter President

## CHAPTER NEWS

### 2019-2021 CIASSP ELECTION RESULTS

There were three positions that were not voted on due the position being uncontested or filled through succession. The results of the voting process are as follows:

**CIC – President: Jeff Fox** (Succession)

**President Elect: Greg Anderson** (Succession)

**Vice President: Mark Frye** (Voted in with 69% For of all votes submitted)

**Secretary: Ginger Dayton** (Unopposed - Confirmed through voting with 95% For & 5% Abstain)

**Treasurer: Vince Plank** (New position -unopposed – Confirmed through voting with 95% For & 5% Abstain)

**Past President – Christina Merriott** (Extended current position due to Chet Brandon, Outgoing President, being unable to serve in this position due to other commitments).

*The officers will begin their two year term on July 1, 2019.*

*Officers will be introduced & sworn in at the Chapter's June meeting on June 21, 2019 at George's Neighborhood Grill, located in Avalon Crossing, at 6935 Lake Plaza Dr, Indianapolis, IN 46220. Time: 11:00am.*

**Congratulations to the new board officers and thank you for all those who participated in voting!**

### AFTER THREE DECADES OF MEMBERSHIP & SERVICE:

#### **Why ASSP, and Why CIASSP Board of Directors?**

As I near the date when my days on the CIASSP Board of Directors comes to an end, I got to thinking about why I joined ASSE back in 1988 and why I joined the CIASSP Board of Directors. I was a member of the National Safety

Council (NSC) for years, but soon realized that ASSE was the place for safety professionals to be. Where safety was just one small part of the giant NSC organization, safety was **the** topic in ASSE. As the safety field grew, so did ASSE- which eventually became ASSP. Today's safety professionals are working in so many different fields, there are too many to list in this short note. I was always an active member and attended lots more monthly meetings than I missed. Thanks to my employers over the years, I was able to attend a lot of Annual Conferences. The best part of being a member of CIASSP is the networking possibilities that one can get through attendance at these events. While teaching at Indiana University and the liaison between the Board and Indiana University's Student Section, I informed the students that networking was the key to their success as both students and eventually as safety professionals.

I would like to thank the CIASSP Board for letting me hang around all these years to see the group grow and do so many good things for the students at Indiana, Indiana State, and hopefully soon, Purdue University's student chapters. Scholarships, Internships, and Leadership training through ASSP, are but a few of the opportunities open to students in the CIASSP area, and beyond. Of course, this is only one of the things that your Board of Directors gets involved with in a typical year. How about planning the Annual Safety Conference here in Indiana, monthly safety meetings with educational topics, time and money to charitable organizations, a golf outing, educational topics, monthly newsletters, etc., etc. All these things do not happen without a Board of Directors.

So now as I retire from the Board of Directors, and look forward to becoming an ASSP Member Emeritus, I would like to ask all those reading this to think about volunteering for the CIASSP Board of Directors. The organization needs new blood each year, so consider doing your part for this wonderful occupation we are blessed to work in. I have worked in the safety profession since 1978 and never once did I dread going to work. The best part was no two days were ever the same. I thoroughly enjoyed being on the Board of Directors and hope to see many new faces on the Board in the years to come.

Respectfully,

Al Capuano

### **SLATES NAMED ASSP's 2019 OUTSTANDING SAFETY EDUCATOR**

"His students have often commented on his positive teaching style, willingness to work with them, and his personal care for their benefit," said

Dr. Alfred Capuano, a professional colleague at Indiana University. “I consider his teaching and career counseling skills to be among the very best.”

Congratulations Dr. Slates! [Read the entire ASSP article.](#)

## **CENTRAL INDIANA ASSP CHAPTER STARTS LOCAL YOUNG PROFESSIONALS GROUP**

Young Safety Professionals: June Happy Hour at Big Lug Canteen

Thursday, June 20<sup>th</sup>, 2019

4:00 PM – 6:00 PM

Big Lug Canteen (1435 E 86th St, Indianapolis, IN 46240)

Join Young Safety Professions of Central Indiana ASSP for our first Happy Hour networking event at Big Lug Canteen. Tickets give you access to one free drink ticket and opportunities to meet and connect with professions in the local community.

Young Safety Professionals of Central Indiana

Our mission is to connect young leaders through professional development and networking to provide Central Indiana with its next generation of safety leaders. Our vision is to connect safety professionals, promote the value of networking at an earlier point in one’s career, and to foster relationships among Central Indiana’s young safety leaders that will last a lifetime.

## **LOCAL HIGH SCHOOL GUIDANCE DEPARTMENT INQUIRY**

The Central Indiana ASSP Chapter is currently inquiring for contact information for guidance departments at local Central Indiana High Schools. We are looking to obtain assistance in planning informational presentations to be given by Central Indiana Chapter ASSP members to high school juniors/seniors on the safety profession and avenues those interested can pursue. Furthermore, any Central Indiana ASSP Chapter member that has the opportunity to present to a local high school group such as a church group, robotics club, 4H club, band, choir, career fairs, etc. should reach out to the below chapter contact who will provide you with to distribute regarding the safety profession and high school scholarships available. All interested parties or those who may be able to provide assistance in obtaining contact with local high school guidance departments should contact Ginger Dayton via the below contact information.

Ginger Dayton - [ginger.dayton@atipt.com](mailto:ginger.dayton@atipt.com)

## **SAVE THE DATE - WOMEN IN SAFETY EXCELLENCE (WISE) MEETING**

The Central Indiana ASSP Chapter's local WISE group had their first meeting last month and group information is on [CLASSP's website](#). Next meeting

information is below.

When: Tuesday, July 9, 2019 at 3:30PM - 4:30PM

Location: TBD

Any members with interest are encouraged to join. Contact Annie Evans at [annie.evans@hotmail.com](mailto:annie.evans@hotmail.com) to learn more!

### **BCSP FOUNDATION TO HOST FIRST BI-ANNUAL RESEARCH & INNOVATION SUMMIT GRANTS**

We are pleased to share with you that our Chapter has funded the Board of Certified Safety Professionals to allow up to 8 Indiana OSH students and 2 professors to attend their inaugural Bi-Annual Research and Innovation Summit. The grants will cover travel costs and registration fees for the event. The summit will be held in Indianapolis, Indiana, August 6 and 7, 2019.

With this effort, the BCSP seeks to highlight new, relevant research and demonstrate their commitment to advancing a research agenda. Recognizing the importance of collaboration with partner organizations, we are pleased to be able to have the support of NIOSH, The Campbell Institute, NSC, CPWR and ASSP. The Research and Innovation Summit contains General Safety and Construction Safety tracks, providing strong platforms for a variety of safety professionals committed to the advancement of the field. The summit will host panels on the latest safety, health, and environmental (SH&E) knowledge and practical applications to meet industry needs. Visit the Summit's website for more information:

<https://www.bcsfoundation.org/about-the-summit/>

If you are a current student or professor in an OSH program in Indiana and would like to attend this event, please contact Chet Brandon at his email:

[chetwinbrandon@gmail.com](mailto:chetwinbrandon@gmail.com) .

## **UPCOMING EVENTS**

### **June Chapter Meeting**

Friday 6/21/19 11:00AM - 1:00PM

Topic: Workplace Safety as it Relates to the Americans with Disabilities Act

Speaker: Brooke Salazar  
Location: George's Neighborhood Grill  
6935 Lake Plaza Drive  
Indianapolis, IN 46220  
1.0 Contact Hour (0.10 COC/CEU) available.

[Register Here](#)

### **ASP/CSP/CHST/OHST Certifications Exam Prep Course**

Thursday-Friday 6/13 - 6/14 8:00AM - 4:00PM

RMS Safety has teamed-up with a peer consulting group to produce a dynamic course designed to prepare students for all four certifications listed.

For more information and registration visit [Prep Course](#) or contact [leah@rms-safety.com](mailto:leah@rms-safety.com).

### **7th Annual Scholarship Gold Outing - Future Safety Leaders**

Friday 8/2/19 7:00AM - 5:30PM

Location: West Chase Golf Club

4 Hollaway Boulevard

Brownsburg, IN 46112

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**For more information on all upcoming events visit**  
<https://centralindiana.assp.org/event/>.

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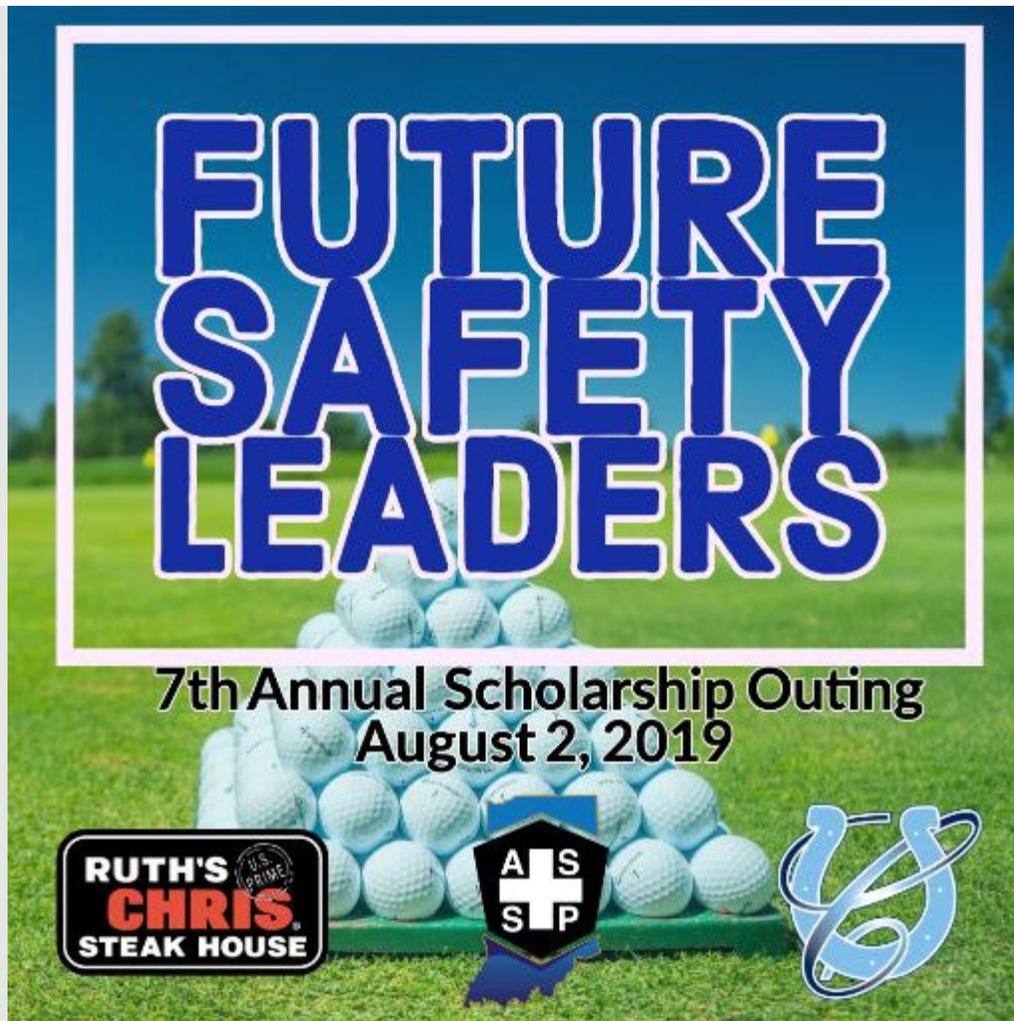
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