



## CENTRAL INDIANA ASSE CHAPTER NEWSLETTER

### September 2015

Thank you to the sponsors and everyone who was able to join us for the Scholarship Golf Outing. Josh Bliell started the event as our lunch speaker. If you ever have an opportunity to hear Josh speak, make the time to go. Congratulations to the team from Heritage Group Safety on their tournament win as well as to those who won bragging rights for Closest to the Pin and Longest Drive. The 3<sup>rd</sup> annual fundraiser broke the previous records. The real winners of this event are the Students; looking forward to finding out who will win the scholarship. In addition to the golf outing scholarship, Students can apply for one of three Jim Kriner Memorial Scholarships, 1 worth \$3,000 and 2 worth \$1,000 each.

Enough about August, September is here and came in HOT!! Keep cool and stay hydrated my friends. September is also National Preparedness Month. Great reminder to all of us to review and practice our emergency plans at work, at home, and anywhere else life takes us. Disasters are never welcome and always seem to happen just when you think it can't get any worse. Plan for the Worst, Hope for the Best. Better yet: Prepare for the Worst, Plan for the Best. We are safety professionals after all, Hazard Recognition and Prevention is the name of our game.

Christina Merriott, CHST – Chapter President  
Central Indiana Chapter ASSE

### Central Indiana Upcoming Chapter Meetings:

#### September 16<sup>th</sup>, 11am-1pm

**Topic:** Good Elements of a Prequalification Program

**Speaker:** Heather Martin, MICCS

**Location:** MCL Castleton, 5520 Castleton Corner Ln, Indianapolis, IN 46250

#### October 21<sup>st</sup>, 11am-1pm

**Topic:** Substance Abuse Programs

**Speakers:** Tiffany Ellefson Vice President of Midwest Toxicology and/or Susie Fields

**Location:** Milestone, 5950 S Belmont Ave, Indianapolis, IN

**Cost:** \$5.00 fee for catered food. Registrants can pre-pay online via PayPal or pay at the event.

#### November 18<sup>th</sup>, 11am-1pm

**Topic:** IOSHA Update

**Speaker:** Tim Maley, Deputy Commissioner of Labor, IOSHA

**Location:** The Rathskeller, 401 E Michigan St, Indianapolis, IN 46204

## Introducing the Indiana University Student Section Officers



### President

**Name:** Willie Sease

**Contact Info:** [wsease@uemail.iu.edu](mailto:wsease@uemail.iu.edu)

**Graduate Degree:** M.S. Safety Management

**Graduation Date:** May 2016

**Career Goals:** I am currently in my first year of the Master's in Safety Management program and serving as the President of the IU-ASSE student section. As President of the IU-ASSE student section my goals are to increase total membership by 50%, and complete 2 community safety initiatives. Upon completion of my Master's in Safety Management I plan to pursue a career in the Natural Gas and Oil industry and earn my CSP. I plan to grow as a safety professional by staying abreast with industry standards and involvement in safety conferences on a national and local level. My ultimate goal is to improve the safety culture of a company by encouraging management and team members to assist in the improvement of day to day operations.



### Vice President

**Name:** Nicholas Zaberdac

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**Undergraduate Major:** B.S. Safety

**Graduation Date:** May 2017

**Career Goals:** My career goals during the remainder of my time at IU include, first and foremost, succeeding in the classroom. In addition, I plan to learn as much as possible at my current internship. Being in ASSE, I plan to constantly leverage my network so that I can pursue the best internships and job openings possible leading up until graduation. Following graduation, I hope to work in either the safety construction or safety consulting industry in Indianapolis and eventually pursue a Masters degree in Safety Management and work towards professional Safety Certifications.



### Secretary

**Name:** Max Herr

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**Undergraduate Major:** BS Safety Management

**Graduation Date:** May 2017

**Career Goals:** After completing my undergraduate degree I plan on obtaining my Masters in Safety Management. I hope to be able to use these degrees to make an impact on the safety culture of a business. I would like to work in the construction or agriculture industries. I look forward to gaining more knowledge in the safety field and being able to use that knowledge to help protect others.



### Treasurer

**Name:** Robert Hollins

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**Graduate Degree:** M.S. Safety Management

**Graduation Date:** Dec 2016

**Career Goals:** I am beginning my first year of my Master's in the Safety Management program at Indiana University and serving as the secretary of the IU-ASSE student section. As secretary of the IU-ASSE student section my goals are to increase productivity of the organization along with providing great record keeping and organizational skills needed for successful ASSE business. Upon completion of my Master's in Safety Management I plan to pursue a career in the Natural Gas and Oil industry and earn my CSP. I plan to grow as a safety professional by staying ahead of the curve with industry standards and continuous involvement in safety conferences on a national and local level. My ultimate goal is to improve the safety culture of many companies by encouraging positive management skills and setting a positive example for my team members and future safety professionals.

## Southern Indiana Section Chapter Meetings:

The CI ASSE Southern Section held their first meeting of the new year on Friday, August 28<sup>th</sup>, at Grammer Industries' training facility in Columbus, Indiana.

Special thanks to Shorty and John Wittington, George Gerth and Jonathon Burkert of Grammer Industries for hosting our meeting, and taking the time to demonstrate their approach to managing safety in the high-pressure hazardous materials transportation environment.

Section members were treated to a short video of the development of Grammer Industries, followed by a briefing on the training and hands on exercises that provide Grammer drivers with the knowledge and expertise to safely transport bulk hazardous materials. Finally, section members were treated to a walk-through of the training trailer, reviewing both the exterior as well as the inner workings of a pressurized tank trailer.

Watch the CIASSE newsletter for additional announcements of upcoming meetings! Suggestions for future meeting topics can be forwarded to Section Chair Lisa-Marie Cooper at [cooperlm@iu.edu](mailto:cooperlm@iu.edu) or 812-855-7546.



Jonathon Burkert, Safety & Training Administrator (right), explains the functions of floats, valves, hoses and other tools used in the safe transport of Liquid Petroleum Gas (LPG) and Anhydrous Ammonia (NH<sub>3</sub>) to members of the CIASSE Southern Section.



George Gerth, Director of Safety, Compliance & Training (blue shirt), explains the inner workings of a pressurized tank trailer to members of the CIASSE Southern Section.

## OSHA 10 and 30 Hour General Industry Course



Sep 21, 2015 - Sep 24, 2015, 8:00 am - 4:30 pm

The course is designed to serve the needs of individuals that are looking to obtain the OSHA 10-Hour or 30-Hour General Industry Card.



**Instructor:** [Tracy McIntosh, EHS Consultant](#)

**Location:** [HP Products, 4220 Saguaro Trail, Indianapolis, IN 46268.](#)

**More information:** Visit [hpconnect.com](http://hpconnect.com)

**Register to Attend by September 14th**

To sign up to attend, please call customer service at 888-620-7233 or email [customerservice@ussafetydepot.com](mailto:customerservice@ussafetydepot.com).

## Mark Your Calendars!



<http://insafetyconf.com/>

**Announcing our 2016 Keynote Speakers!**

[Jim Elzinga](#)

[Oliver Luck](#)

## 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual CI ASSE Scholarship Golf Outing Re-Cap

Thank you to all who were able to attend the 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual CI ASSE Golf Outing on August 28<sup>th</sup> at [West Chase Golf Club](#) in Brownsburg, Indiana. With your support, the Central Indiana Chapter of ASSE was able to increase their annual scholarship contributions to over **\$6,000**. This is benefiting four students in Indiana annually, so we cannot thank you enough for the support.

We were excited to host [Josh Bleill](#) as our lunch guest this year. It was obvious that all in attendance appreciated his service and message shared as there was a standing ovation. Also, thank you to [Dawson's Too!](#) for supplying our lunch. Prior to starting golf several attendees were able to walk away with nice door prizes. It was a perfect day for golf. 82 degrees and zero rain. This could not have happened without all the attendees and our sponsors! Thank you very much!

This was the third straight year of growth of this event with 58 total attendees. We hope to keep growing in the upcoming years.

We'll see you next year!



**Employment News:** Several new Safety/Health positions have been recently added to the CI ASSE website. To view these current SHE job opportunities, please check out the CI ASSE Website at <http://centralindiana.asse.org/jobs/>

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