



## CENTRAL INDIANA ASSE CHAPTER NEWSLETTER

**May 2016**

"April Showers Bring May Flowers" Well at least that is what they used to say. After this past weekend, the May flowers may not look so good. Hope everyone survived the recent storms without too much damage to your homes, flowers, and other property. Weather aside, it is hard to believe we are in May. The ASSE Safety 2016 conference is fast approaching at the end of June. If you plan to attend, please drop the chapter a note. We would like to meet up with as many people as we can.

The House Of Delegates meeting is on Sunday afternoon, June 26th. All members are welcome to attend, but only the Chapter Delegates are authorized to vote should the need arise.

Please join us for the Chapter Meeting on May 18th. A topic near and dear to me regarding Road Construction Awareness. Believe it or not, many work zone fatalities are suffered by the traveling public. Lunch will be provided but we need your RSVP via the chapter website in order to acquire enough food. We also need you to bring \$5 to help offset the cost of the catered lunch.

Last but not least, if you enjoy golf, the 4th Annual Scholarship Golf Outing is now open for registrations and sponsorships. You can also sign up for the lunch and speaker only. Hope to see you all there."

Christina Merriott, CHST – Chapter President  
Central Indiana Chapter ASSE

### **Central Indiana Upcoming Chapter Meetings**

Thanks to all who were able to attend the April chapter meeting where Ken Johnson from PT Body One Physical Therapy spoke about how having an industrial physical therapist can impact your safety team. We had a great turn out and hope to see you at the following chapter meetings!

#### **May 18, 11am-1pm**

**Topic:** Road Construction Awareness Corp.

**Speaker:** Dennis Coty & Tim Harvey

**Location:** Milestone Contractors, L.P., 5950 S. Belmont Ave, Indianapolis, IN 46217

**Cost:** \$5.00; covers lunch cost

#### **June 15, 11am-1pm:**

**Topic:** The Usage and Liability with Using Drones

**Speaker:** Chris Stevenson, with Wilson, Kehoe, Winingham

**Location:** Shapiro's downtown  
**Cost:** \$0; lunch on your own

### **4<sup>th</sup> Annual CIASSE Scholarship Golf Outing**

**When:** July 22, 2016

**Location:** West Chase Golf Club 4 Hollaway Blvd. Brownsburg, IN 46112

\*\* See below for additional information and registration details \*\*

<http://www.asse.org/newsroom/naosh/oshp-day/>

### **4<sup>th</sup> Annual CIASSE Annual Golf Outing:**

Save the Date! Join us for the 4<sup>th</sup> Annual CIASSE Scholarship Golf Outing at West-Chase, a Premier Golf Club in Brownsburg on July 22, 2016! We look forward to a great day of golf, food, and our speaker Lonnie Bedwell, the first blind man to kayak the Grand Canyon!



## **Occupational Safety and Health Professional Day**

**May 4th, 2016**

Each and every day, men and women from around the world return home from work to their families injury and illness free thanks to occupational safety, health (OSH) professionals, who have dedicated their careers to protecting workers.

OSH professionals work behind the scenes identifying and eliminating potential hazards in workplaces around the world, and their efforts are often achieved with little or no fanfare.

In an effort to recognize and to celebrate the lifesaving efforts of the thousands of OSH professionals in the world today, the American Society of Safety Engineers established Occupational Safety and Health Professional (OSHP) Day in 2006 to give these unsung heroes

some much deserved recognition for the difference they make in the lives of every working man and woman.



Photo by: Vince Moreau

OSHP Day takes place on the Wednesday during NAOSH Week. On this day we encourage employers, co-workers, and the general public to say “thank you” to those who spend work around the clock making sure that every day spent on the job is a safe one.

OSHP Day was also established to raise awareness and pride in the OSH profession, and to salute the years of education, training and practical experience and skills that it takes to be qualified to identify workplace hazards, and to develop methods of prevention of on-the-job injuries, illness and property damage. Throughout the world, the OSH profession has earned a reputation as being one of the most challenging and rewarding careers today!

### **2015 CIASSE Golf Outing Scholarship Award Winners**

Please help us in congratulating our 2015 CIASSE Golf Outing Scholarship Award winners!

- Willie Sease, Indiana University
- Nick Zaberdac, Indiana University



## 2016 Safety Person of the Year Awards

With the arrival of National Occupational Safety and Health Professional Day on May 4<sup>th</sup>, please help us in congratulating two of the most influential industry leaders in Occupational Safety and Health. Thank you for your expertise and dedication to making our work environments a safe and healthy place!

**Bruce Guiliani**

**Claudia Niehaus (No Picture Available)**



Congratulations Bruce and Claudia!

## Welcome the New CIASSE Members!

- Terry Batemon
- Dominic Cooper
- Austin Cooper
- Rick Hoebel
- Marc Myers
- Bukola Ogunyemi
- John Rabold
- Richard Sappenfield

## National Safety Stand-Down to Prevent Falls in Construction

OSHA, the National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health, and the Center for Construction Research and Training will hold the third annual National Safety Stand-Down May 2-6, 2016, to raise awareness of the serious risk of falls in the workplace. Falls are the leading cause of death in the construction industry, and lack of proper fall protection remains the [most frequently cited violation](#) by OSHA.

More than 4 million workers have participated in the last two years, dedicating themselves to on-the-job safety. This year the stand-down will highlight the safe use of ladders and encourage employers to pause during their workday for topic talks, demonstrations and training on how to prevent falls. For more information on the success of last year's stand-down, see the [final data report](#). Visit the [2016 National Safety Stand-Down webpage](#) for more updates.

## New OSHA Silica Rule

On March 24, OSHA released the final silica rule. Below are some key provisions:

- Reduces the permissible exposure limit (PEL) for respirable crystalline silica to 50 micrograms per cubic meter of air, averaged over an 8-hour shift.
- Requires employers to: use engineering controls (such as water or ventilation) to limit worker exposure to the PEL; provide respirators when engineering controls cannot adequately limit exposure; limit worker access to high exposure areas; develop a written exposure control plan, offer medical exams to highly exposed workers, and train workers on silica risks and how to limit exposures.
- Provides medical exams to monitor highly exposed workers and gives them information about their lung health.
- Provides flexibility to help employers — especially small businesses — protect workers from silica exposure.

### Compliance Schedule

Both standards contained in the final rule take effect on June 23, 2016., after which industries have one to five years to comply with most requirements, based on the following schedule:

**Construction** - June 23, 2017, one year after the effective date.

**General Industry and Maritime** - June 23, 2018, two years after the effective date.

Visit <https://www.osha.gov/silica/index.html> for more information.

## NAOSH Week

Don't forget that May 1-7, 2016 is NAOSH Week!

**The goal** is to focus employers, employees, partners and the public on the importance of preventing injury and illness in the workplace, at home and in the community.

**The success of NAOSH Week** is rooted in a community-based approach. Across the country, NAOSH Week events and activities are coordinated by local, provincial and/or regional committees, comprised primarily of volunteers, who share a focus and vision of safer workplaces and communities. Partnerships with government, business, suppliers, CSSE Chapters, community health organizations and other safety groups provide the support, resources and network necessary to manage the NAOSH Week plans.

For more information visit <http://www.naosh.org/english/>

### Southern Indiana ASSE Section:

We are currently searching for volunteers to lead the Southern Indiana ASSE section. If you are

interested in this great opportunity, please contact the board at [centralindianaasse@gmail.com](mailto:centralindianaasse@gmail.com)

### **Outreach Programs:**

The Central Indiana ASSE Chapter is looking for opportunities to assist or facilitate in community outreach programs. If you or someone you know is interested in partnering with the chapter please contact us at: <http://centralindiana.asse.org/board-member/>

### **Employment News:**

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

**Contact the 2015 – 2017 Board of Directors at <http://centralindiana.asse.org/board-member/>**

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