



April 2025 Newsletter

PRESIDENT'S LETTER

I can't wait for Spring to get here! I don't know about you, but I am tired of the cold weather!

Our goal in adding value to you continues! Matt Lesser was great speaker on Effective Communication and Healthy Conflict Engagement. He was a paid speaker – and that's us putting your dues in use to provide great content for you. The event was well attended, and we learned a lot about how the different types of personalities work together or against each other in communication. Thanks, Ginger Dayton, for getting this GREAT Speaker!

We also have our first 2025 Women in Safety Excellence event at the 16-Bit Bar + Arcade – good attendance and fun – everyone had a good time going down the slide. Our Special Interest Groups are here for you to explore and connect in

different ways to ASSP and your local Chapter. We look forward to growing our Special Interest Groups and expanding this niche.

We have a lot of things planned in the following months. In April at the BCSP, we are going to have a Safety Runway event, where vendors like Pyramex, State Safety, Market Share Brands, Freckles Graphics, Ritz Safety, Rugged Peach Workwear, Protective Industrial Products, Purdue University, Koorsen Fire Protection, and Magid Glove are going to showcase their new products and innovations in safety. I have always found these events interesting – everyone is always coming up with new innovative ways to protect people – lots of options. Then In May, we are going present one of most sought-after topics: Worker's Compensation and Case Studies. This is always a well-attended event – and we'll be back at the BCSP for this.

2025 also marks our biennial change in leadership. My 2-year term as your president is coming to an end, and Karl Weisser will be taking over and Daniel Brewer will become Vice-President. We will also be electing a Treasurer and a Secretary. We are the 2nd largest chapter in Region 7 and without a doubt, the most active – and I hope you can feel that. We work really hard in providing you great EHS content. We've enjoyed your support – I certainly have – and we look forward to the future and all the hope it brings.

Thank You for everything you do to protect people, property, and the environment.

See you soon!

Mark C. Frye, President

UPCOMING EVENTS

Join us for our Safety Runway



Join us for our Safety Runway on April 9 where you can see an exoskeleton, maternity hi vis clothing, fall protection, helmets, fire protection, and more taking a walk on the runway. You may spot some of your peers in action! Grab your front row seat now.

Vendors include: 3M, Pyramex, State Safety, Market Share Brands, Freckles Graphics, Ritz Safety, Rugged Peach Workwear, Protective Industrial Products, Purdue University, Koorsen Fire Protection, Magid Glove, and more!

Join us for a light breakfast at 7:30am

“Booths” open 7:30 -8

Runway 8-9am

“Booths” open 9-9:30am

Thank you to our Sponsors!



Special thanks to our breakfast provider – Koorsen Fire & Security and our host – BCSP



Chapter Elections 2025-2027

Our officer elections will be held on May 9th 2025 – per our bylaws. We are required to post to the chapter who is running and for what position. This email is that. The following outstanding individuals have stepped up to be officers. We are VERY appreciative of that.

THANK YOU!!

Running for Treasurer: Susan Yeiter

Running for Secretary: Jane Nderitu

The Following individuals will transition to their new role on July 1st

Mark Frye will transition to Past-President

Karl Weisser will transition to Chapter President

Daniel Brewer will stay Chapter Vice-President

Daniel currently holds the role of Vice-President. With the upcoming elimination of Vice-President Elect position, this is why he will remain in this role. HOWEVER – Daniel will transition into our **Indiana Health and Safety Conference Chairman!**

CONGRATULATIONS!

Ballots will be distributed in May.

2025 Chapter Meeting Calendar

We've been working hard to plan a year filled with events focused on **relevant safety topics** and top-notch **speakers** for our Central Indiana ASSP membership. Below is a preliminary list of dates and topics for 2025. While these are subject to change, we hope this gives you a chance to plan ahead and ensure you can join us for these valuable events!

Wednesday, April 9, 2025 - 8:00-9:30am

breakfast starts at 7:30

TOPIC: Safety Runway

Venue: BCSP

[register here!](#)

Friday, May 2, 2025 - 11:30am - 1:00pm

TOPIC: Work Comp and Case Studies

Speaker: Shawna Neilson

Venue: BCSP

Wednesday, June 11, 2025 - 8:00-9:30am

TOPIC: Why Employee Health and Wellness Matters

Speaker: Jennifer Pferrer

Venue: SMG - Safety Yard, Lebanon

Friday, July 11, 2025 - 11:30am - 1:00pm

TOPIC: Wastewater Risks, Exposure & Safety

Speaker: Jase Hixson

Wednesday, August 13, 2025 - 8:00-10:00am

TOPIC: Ethics

Speaker: Nancy McClellan

Venue: Fishers Dept. of Public Works

Friday, September 12, 2025 - 11:30am - 1:00pm

TOPIC: Multi Generational Workforce

Speaker: Mitch Isaacs

Venue: BCSP

Wednesday, October 8, 2025 - 8:00-9:30am

TOPIC: Postive Mental Health Practices from an Emergency Responder

Speaker: Ephina Desinger

Venue: SMG - Safety Yard, Lebanon

Friday, November 7, 2025 - 11:30am - 1:00pm

TOPIC: 4 Reasons Frontline Leaders Struggle to Deliver Safety Results

Speaker: Rodney Grieves

Wednesday, December 10, 2025

TOPIC: IOSHA Update

Check out our [EVENT CALENDAR](#) for more info on these upcoming topics!

1. In addition to monthly chapter meetings, CI ASSP is offering quarterly events focused on the following special interests:

- Construction – May, August, and November
- WISE – June, September, and December
- BISE – April, July, and October

Everyone is invited to attend – please register online for any event you plan to attend to ensure we have seating, food (if applicable), and any handouts available for all attendees.

2. Based on positive feedback, we will be continuing the “Breakfast and Best Practices” events. This is an opportunity to network, share successes, get information on something you are working on, learn something new and meet other safety professionals.

3. Periodically, about every other month, there will be Online Technical Meetings where members who attend can earn CEUs at no additional cost.

4. We have a several very special chapter meetings planned including:

- April 9th Safety Runway
- May 7th Work Comp/Case Studies by Shawna Neilson
- June 11th Why Employee Health and Wellness Matters – Jennifer Pferrer
- July 11th Wastewater Risks, Exposure and Safety – Jase Hixson
- August 13th Ethics (now required for CSP recertification) joint meeting with AIHA – Nancy McClellan
- September 12th 4 Hour WORKSHOP Multi-Generational Workforce – Mitch Isaacs
- October 8th Positive Mental Health Practices from an Emergency Responder – Ephina Desinger
- November 7th Reasons Frontline Leaders Struggle to Deliver Safety Results and How We Can Help – Rodney Grieves
- December - IOSHA

5. Please add all the CI ASSP activities to your calendar and join us! Remember, based on input, we are alternating monthly chapter meetings between Wednesday morning and Friday lunch.

Meeting Hosts and Meal Sponsors

We are looking for meeting hosts and meal sponsors:

- July 11th 11:30 – 1pm location
- November 7th 11:30 – 1pm location and meal

If you or your company is available to host and/or provide the meal, please reach out to Ginger.Dayton@atipt.com

If you have a suggestion for a location – email Ginger.Dayton@atipt.com



Looking for a way to get more involved in our chapter? Join us at one of our **board meetings!** This is a great opportunity to gain insight into the planning and preparation behind our **monthly chapter meetings, annual Health & Safety Conference, and other events** like **Breakfast & Best Practices, BISE, WISE, and our Student Section gatherings.**

We'd love to have you sit in on a meeting and see how you can contribute! There are opportunities that require both **larger and smaller time commitments**, so you can get involved in a way that fits your schedule.

Interested? Reach out to **Mark Frye** at mcfrye@mmm.com to learn more!

13th Annual Future Safety Leaders Golf Outing

Friday, July 25, 2025

Mark your calendars for an exciting and impactful event! Our 13th Annual Future Safety Leaders Golf Outing will take place on **Friday, July 25, 2025**. This special outing is a fantastic opportunity to enjoy a day of golf while supporting the next generation of safety leaders.

Whether you're an avid golfer or just looking to network and have fun, this event is perfect for everyone. Stay tuned for more details on registration and location. Don't miss out on the chance to make a difference and enjoy a wonderful day on the greens!

Sponsorship Opportunities are available for this event! Please reach out to ciasspgolfouting@gmail.com for more details!

Premier Sponsor - \$3,500



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2025 premier sponsorship - again!

Partner Sponsor - \$2,000



Lunch Sponsor - \$1,000



Partner Sponsor - \$2,000 *(Includes: Opportunity to welcome attendees at registration and shotgun start, tent at hole of choice, foursome, large sponsorship sign, tee and green sponsorship, logo in chapter newsletters and name on website, and special recognition at Outing)*

Sign Sponsor - \$1,500 *(Includes: Company logo will be placed on all golf outing signs)*

Lunch Sponsor - \$1,000 *(Includes: Large sponsorship sign, tee and green sponsorship, logo in chapter newsletters and name on website, and special recognition at Outing)*

Hole Sponsor with Foursome - \$750 *(Includes: Foursome, tent at hole of choice, sponsorship sign at tee box, logo in chapter newsletters and name on website, and special recognition at Outing)*

Hole Sponsor with Twosome - \$500 *(Includes: Registration for Two golfers, tent at hole of choice, sponsorship sign at tee box, logo in chapter newsletters and name on website, and*

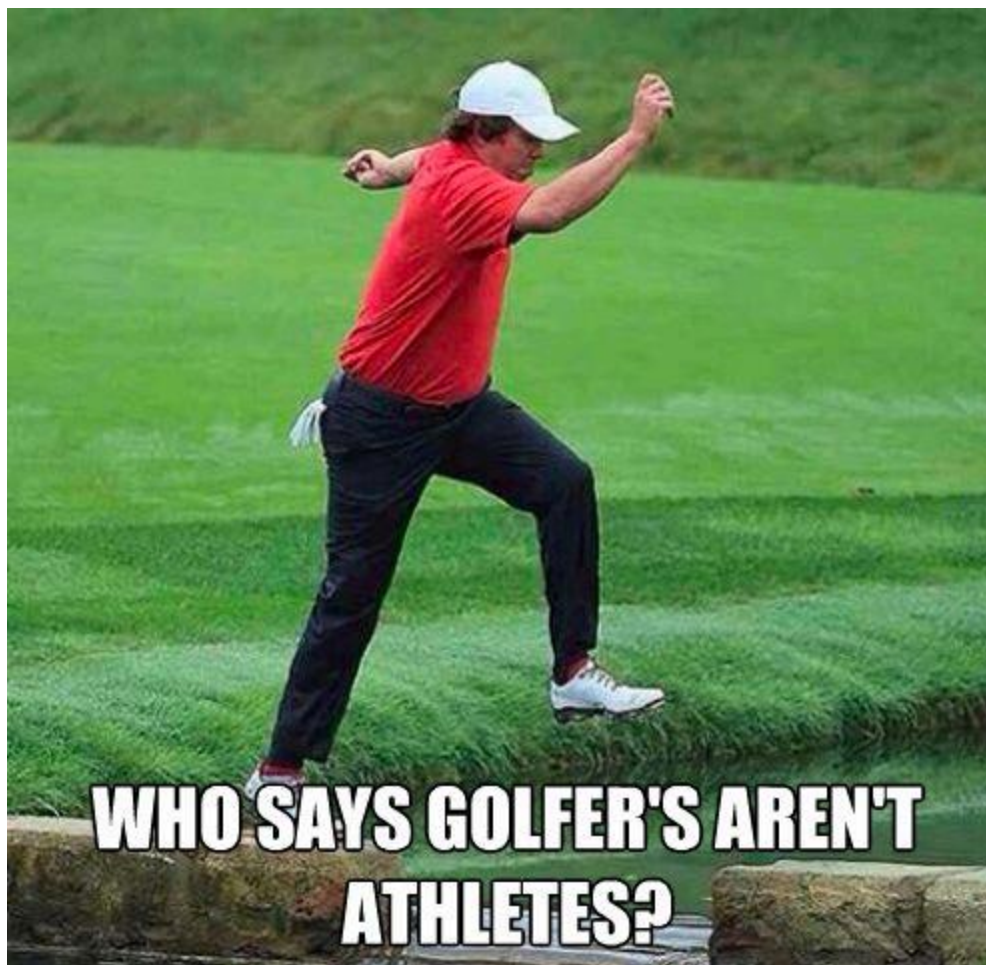
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Beverage/Snack Cart Sponsor - \$500 *(Includes: Tent at hole of choice, sponsorship sign on beverage cart, logo in chapter newsletters and name on website, and special recognition at Outing)*

Hole Sponsor - \$350 *(Includes: Tent at hole of choice, sponsorship sign at tee box, logo in chapter newsletters and name on website, and special recognition at Outing)*

Sponsorship Opportunities are available for this event!

Information Here!



ASSP Annual Conference

Workplace safety and health will continue to evolve, and the American Society of Safety Professionals (ASSP) will continue to connect you with industry expertise, a network of like-minded peers and the latest innovations. 2024 was a SOLD OUT year so be sure to save the date for our 64th annual Conference and Expo.

[Get more information here](#)

NEWS

Central Indiana Coverage Map

The chapter has connected EHS Professionals across Central Indiana since 1946 and has over 1,000 Chapter Members and On-line community affiliates. The

Chapter follows ASSP's calendar (July 1 to June 30) and provides monthly technical meetings from September to June which are open to members and non-members. In addition to the monthly technical meetings, the Chapter partners with the Indiana Chamber and Indiana Dept. of Labor to host an annual professional development conference. The conference/expo is one of the Midwest's largest safety events. For information on the Indiana Safety and Health Conference visit www.insafetyconf.com. For questions or if you are interested in becoming a member, please contact centralindianaasse@gmail.com.

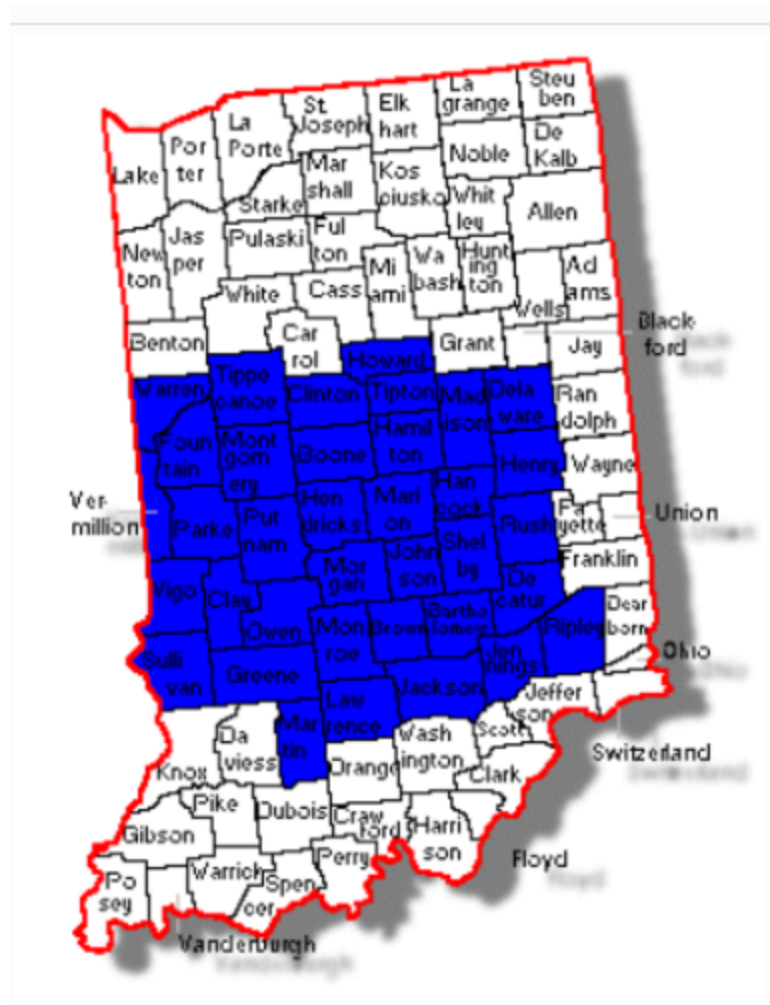
The Chapter publishes monthly newsletters sent to chapter members and hosts four forums of social media (Facebook, LinkedIn Group, Twitter, Instagram). If interested in following the Chapter's media, please click the appropriate icon at the top of the web page.

The Chapter is located within ASSP's Region 7. The Chapter's geographical area is comprised of 36 counties in Central Indiana (map shown above): Bartholomew, Boone, Brown, Clinton, Clay, Decatur, Delaware, Fountain, Greene, Hamilton, Hancock, Hendricks, Henry, Howard, Jackson, Jennings, Johnson, Lawrence, Madison, Marion, Martin, Monroe, Montgomery, Morgan, Owen, Parke, Putnam, Ripley, Rush, Shelby, Sullivan, Tippecanoe, Tipton, Vermillion, Vigo and Warren.

The Chapter hosts the WISE (Women in Safety Excellence) common interest group and three student sections. The Indiana State University Section in Terre Haute, IN the Indiana University Student Section in Bloomington, IN and the Purdue University Student Section in West Lafayette, IN. (See the Sections tab for additional information.)

At the 2014 Indiana Safety and Health Conference, the Central Indiana Chapter signed an alliance agreement with the Indiana Department of Labor. For more information on the Alliance, please click [here](#). The Central Indiana Chapter has achieved platinum level recognition for the 2020-2021 year. This recognition is based from the information our chapter submitted in the Chapter Operations Management Tool (COMT) of 6/30/2021.

ASSP noted that this year provided new challenges and ASSP chapters adapted to continue to provide and outstanding value while protecting the health and well-being of their members and local communities. Our efforts benefited our chapter members and the safety profession as a whole. Our chapter's achievement of this level of success is impressive and greatly appreciated by ASSP.



Preparing for a Tornado

Ready.gov - Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA)



Sign up for your community's warning system. Listen to a local radio station. EAS and NOAA Weather Radio also provide emergency alerts.

Know where nearby weather sirens are located, become familiar with the warning tone.

Pay attention to weather reports – especially if you plan to be driving or outside.

Plan for your pet's needs in the event of a warning.

Pack a "Go Bag" with nonperishable food, water, personal items such as contacts/hearing aids/medication/chargers, mask, wipes, garbage bags, etc.

During a Tornado

Go to a safe location immediately and stay until notified it is safe to come out.

Cover your head/neck with your arms, get under furniture or blankets.

If you in a vehicle, if you can safely get to a place lower than the level of the road – leave your car and go there – cover your head with your arms, a coat/blanket. If you cannot safely get to a lower area - stay in the car with your seatbelt on, cover your head with blankets/coats. Avoid seeking shelter under bridges and overpasses as these may create deadly traffic hazards and offer little protection against flying debris.

After a Tornado

Save phone calls for emergencies. Use text messaging to communicate with family and friends.

Stay clear of fallen power lines or broken utility lines/poles.

During clean-up, wear appropriate PPE such as thick soled, enclosed shoes, long pants, work gloves and a mask.

2025 Everyday Safety Hero Award Recipients

The 2025 Everyday Safety Hero Awards were announced during the 2025 Governor's Workplace Safety Awards luncheon. The Central Indiana Chapter and Indiana DOL hero's selected for 2025 are listed below.

Scott Banke
Plant Manager – Wood Production
Viewrail – Plant 1 East – Goshen, IN

Alex Hall
Property Manager
Netrality Data Systems – Indianapolis, IN

Darla Hantz
Utility Technician
Cardinal IG – Fremont, IN

Michael Hammond Sr.
Deputy Fire Chief, Special Operations
Indianapolis Airport Authority – Indianapolis, IN

For more information visit [DOL: 2025 Everyday Safety Hero Award Recipients](#)

2025 Governor's Workplace Safety Award Recipients

The 2025 Governor's Workplace Safety Awards were announced during the 2025 Indiana Safety Conference. Governor Mike Braun was the first governor in the history of the award to attend and present the awards. The employer recipients are listed below.

**Education and Outreach
Kimball International – Jasper, IN**

**Partnerships
Building Associates, Inc. – Bloomington, IN**

**Rising Star
Masterbrand Cabinets – Jasper Operations Jasper, IN**

**Rising Star
Strick Trailers, LLC – Monroe, IN**

**Rising Star
George E. Booth Co. – Indianapolis, IN**

**Rising Star
Viewrail – Goshen, IN**

**Rising Star
Primex – Richmond, IN**

For more information visit [DOL: 2025 Governor's Workplace Safety Award Recipients](#)

Future Leader Scholarship Recipients

Congratulations to the Future Safety Leaders Scholarship recipients!

We are thrilled to recognize these outstanding university students for their dedication to safety and health:

Christian Bourbai – Indiana State University
Cordelia Nettey – Indiana State University
Comfort Turkson – Indiana State University
Elias Yasha Yelenik – Indiana University

Your commitment to the safety profession is inspiring, and we can't wait to see the impact you'll make in the field!

Photo Roundup!



February Chapter Meeting hosted by ABC Supply



Matt Lesser with Uniquely Normal speaking at our February Chapter Meeting



WISE meeting at 16-bit



a little fun at the WISE meeting

Career Opportunities

[Sr. Safety and Health Consultant](#)

March 28, 2025













[Safety Advisor \(Indianapolis\)](#)

January 23, 2025

[Safety Training Specialist \(Indianapolis\)](#)

January 10, 2025

2024 Central Indiana ASSP Chapter Officers & Committee Chairs

	PRESIDENT Mark Frye, CSP, CHMM 		PRESIDENT-ELECT Karl Weisser, CSP, ARM, CHST 
	VICE PRESIDENT Daniel Brewer, MS, CHST, GSP 		SECRETARY Jeff Fox, CSP, CIT 
	TREASURER Vince Plank, CSP 		PAST PRESIDENT Greg Anderson, MS 



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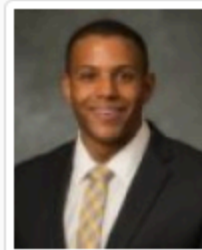
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