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April 2026 Newsletter

PRESIDENT'S LETTER

Happy April, Central Indiana ASSP members!

As we transition into the heart of spring, I want to look back at the incredible engagement we saw throughout March. Our chapter's strength lies in our ability to gather and share expertise, and last month was a prime example of that.

We kicked things off with a highly successful Construction Committee Event hosted by Pepper Construction. Dr. Nelson provided an expert look at the complexities of Workers' Compensation, sparking an open dialogue among safety professionals that touched on everything from claim management to employee care. We followed that with a powerful monthly chapter meeting at the Board of Certified Safety Professionals (BCSP) headquarters. Bill Bayne from Eastern Alliance Insurance introduced us to the N3L3 approach, shifting our focus toward a proactive strategy for preventing fatal and life-changing injuries. These sessions are vital to our growth, and I want to thank our hosts and speakers for their time and dedication.

April is packed with opportunities to network and sharpen your skills. Our monthly chapter meeting will feature Scott Wells at George E. Booth Co., where he will lead a session on Accident Investigation. Understanding the "why" behind incidents is critical to prevention, so please join us for this informative meeting: <https://centralindiana.assp.org/events/ciassp-april-chapter-meeting/?datetime=201>.

For those who prefer virtual learning, we have two excellent webinars this month. The first, Forklift Training Essentials, covers the fundamentals of safe and compliant operation to keep your warehouse and site teams protected. The second, Mastering Workplace Safety Audits, offers a step-by-step guide to conducting effective internal evaluations. You can find registration details for both the Forklift Webinar (<https://centralindiana.assp.org/events/webinar-forklift-training-essentials-fundamentals-for-safe-and-compliant-forklift-use/?>) and the Safety Audit Webinar (<https://centralindiana.assp.org/events/webinar-mastering-workplace-safety-audits-a-step-by-step-guide/?datetime=203>) on our website.

Finally, I am thrilled to announce a very special Member Appreciation Event for May! On May 15th, we're heading to Victory Field for the Banana Ball World Tour to see the Party Animals take on the brand-new Indianapolis Clowns. This is a family-friendly event on the Corona Premier Patio, and for just \$15 per person, you get a game ticket plus food and drinks. Tickets are limited and non-refundable, so set your alarms—registration opens this Monday, April 6th.

Thank you for being the driving force behind Central Indiana ASSP and for everything you do to keep Hoosiers safe. Have a wonderful holiday weekend!

Best regards,

Karl Weisser

Central Indiana ASSP Chapter President

UPCOMING EVENTS

April Chapter Meeting

Accident Investigation

Join us for our April Chapter Meeting as **Mr. Scott Wells, MS, CSP, ARM, STSC of Nationwide Insurance** leads an engaging session on effective accident investigation. Scott will break down practical techniques for identifying root causes, strengthening corrective actions, and improving overall safety performance. This is a great opportunity for members to sharpen their investigative skills and bring stronger prevention strategies back to their worksites.

Friday, April 10th, 2026 from 11:00am - 1:00pm

Venue: [George E. Booth Company](#)

Venue Address: 535 E. Worthsville Road, Greenwood, IN 46143

[Register by clicking HERE](#)

Special thanks to George E. Booth Co. for hosting this event!



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April Webinars

Tuesday, April 7, 2026 from 2:00 - 3:00pm

Forklift Training Essentials: Fundamentals for Safe and Compliant Forklift Use

[Sounds interesting...SIGN ME UP!](#)

Wednesday, April 29, 2026 from 2:00 - 3:00pm

Mastering Workplace Safety Audits: A Step-by-Step Guide

[This also sounds interesting...SIGN ME UP!](#)

May Chapter Meeting

The Art of Correcting Unsafe Behavior

Join us for our May Chapter Meeting as **Kevin Beswick, President of RMS Safety**, presents *The Art of Correcting Unsafe Behavior*. Kevin will explore why addressing unsafe actions is essential to building a strong safety culture and will share practical, effective strategies for engaging workers, correcting behaviors, and reinforcing safe practices on the job. **Expect a thought-provoking session that will challenge how you approach behavior-based safety and inspire fresh ways to strengthen your teams.**

Friday, May 8th, 2026 from 11:00am - 1:00pm

Venue: [RMS Safety](#)

Venue Address: 7702 Woodland Dr. Ste. 150, Indianapolis, IN 46278

[Register by clicking HERE](#)

Special thanks to RMS Safety for hosting this event!



Member Appreciation Event

Friday, May 15th, 2026

Gates open at 5:30pm, Game starts at 6:30pm

Victory Field

\$15 per ticket (includes food and drinks)

Get ready, Indianapolis—Banana Ball is back! The Savannah Bananas are bringing their high-energy **Banana Ball World Tour** to Victory Field for another unforgettable stop, and this time they'll take the field in a way that celebrates the Circle City's rich baseball history.

Bring your family and join other members of your Central Indiana ASSP Chapter as we help to welcome the new six-team Banana Ball League with an unforgettable game between the **Party Animals** and the brand-new **Indianapolis Clowns**—a tribute team honoring the legendary Negro Leagues barnstormers from the 1940s and '50s who inspired the Bananas' style of play today.

*Tickets are limited, and will be made available for purchase on the [Central Indiana ASSP website](#) on **April 6th***



March Chapter Meeting Success

Thank you to everyone who joined us for our recent Chapter event, and a special thanks to **Dr. Christopher Nelson of Allied Wellness Group** for delivering an insightful session on proactive medical strategies in construction. His expertise in pain management and holistic injury care offered valuable guidance on strengthening return-to-work programs, reducing long-term claim risks, and supporting healthier job sites across Indiana's construction industry.



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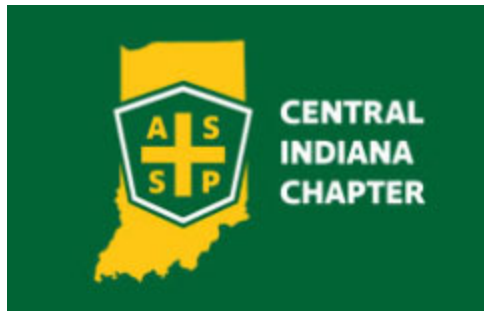
Special thanks to Pepper Construction for hosting this event!!



2026 Chapter Meeting Calendar

We're working hard to plan a year filled with events focused on relevant safety topics and top-notch speakers for our Central Indiana ASSP membership.

Stay up to date on upcoming chapter meetings by [visiting the events page](#) on the website and, of course, via the newsletter!



NEWS

CONGRATS to the 2026 Governor's Workplace Safety Award and Everyday Safety Heros Recipients!

Indiana celebrated its top safety champions at the 2026 Governor's Workplace Safety Awards. Held during the Indiana Safety and Health Conference & Expo, the event brought together leaders from the Indiana Chamber of Commerce, the Central Indiana Chapter of the American Society of Safety Professionals, and INSafe. Governor Mike Braun recognized standout Hoosier companies and professionals who are raising the bar for workplace safety across the state.



2026 Governor Workplace Safety Award recipients

- Partnerships: **AstraZeneca, Mt. Vernon Supply Site**, Mt. Vernon, IN
- Innovation: **Edwards Electrical and Mechanical**, Indianapolis, IN
- Innovation: **Kimball International**, Jasper, IN
- Rising Star: **Wood-Mizer LLC**, Batesville, IN

2026 Everyday Safety Hero Award recipients

- **Christhian Padilla**, Sr. HSE Engineer at Cummins Inc., Columbus, IN
- **Adam Surface**, EHS Coordinator at Master Spas, Fort Wayne, IN

- **Kim Duplak**, Director of Stadium Operations for the Indianapolis Indians

On behalf of the Central Indiana ASSP...
Congratulations on this achievement!

CONGRATS to Mark Frye as the 2026 Chapter Safety Professional of the Year!

The Central Indiana Chapter is proud to announce that **Mark Frye** was named the 2026 Chapter Safety Professional of the Year (SPY) Award!



Mark has served the Chapter and Region VII over the past 6 years. He is also involved with the Indiana Safety Conference and Future Leaders Golf Outing.

He is an experienced safety leader and chemist with a demonstrated history of working in and with a variety of industries. He's a strong operations professional with a bachelor's degree in chemistry from Hanover College.



OSHA Compliance Initiative Launch

Guess what?! OSHA has launched a new website dedicated to providing practical, real-time insight, equipping employers with tools needed to improve safety and health. If you're looking for a way to build stronger, more successful safety and health programs that benefit both employers and workers, be sure to check it out on [OSHA CARES website](#).



14th Annual Future Safety Leaders Scholarship Golf Outing

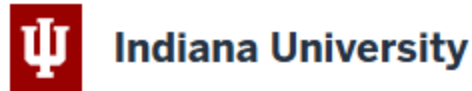
Join us on Friday, July 24, 2026 at the [West Chase Golf Club](#) in Brownsburg!



For more information about registration for sponsorships and participation, check out the [events page on the Central Indiana ASSP website](#).

Get tickets by clicking [HERE](#)

Your partnership will provide multiple college scholarships for ASSP Student Members attending Indiana State University and Indiana University.



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And Now, the Rest of the Story...

- In addition to monthly chapter meetings, CI ASSP offers quarterly events focused on the following special interests:

CONSTRUCTION

WISE - Women in Safety Excellence

BISE - Black in Safety Excellence

Everyone is invited to attend!

Please [register online](#) to ensure we have enough seating, food (if applicable), and any handouts available.

- 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

If you or your company is interested in hosting, providing the meal, and/or suggesting a venue location for upcoming chapter meetings, please reach out to centralindianaasse@gmail.com

Want to Be More Involved with CI ASSP?

Join us at one of our **board meetings**! 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 have opportunities that require both **large and small time commitments**, so you can get involved in a way that best fits your schedule.

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

Career Opportunities

[Check out the CI ASSP Jobline](#)

Safety Advisor/Owner's Rep - Construction (Indianapolis)

Safety Advisor - Construction and General Industry (Indianapolis)

Safety Advisor - General Industry (Lebanon)

Safety Trainer (Lebanon)

Part-Time Safety Advisor - Power & Utilities (Indianapolis)

Safety Advisor - Construction (West Lafayette)

Safety Advisor - Construction (Lebanon)



















HSE Advisor (Indianapolis)

EHS Engineer (Hartford)

Warehouse Safety & Training Specialist (Indianapolis and Bloomington)

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