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October 2026 Newsletter

PRESIDENT'S LETTER

Dear CIASSP Members,

I hope everyone had a wonderful weekend and is enjoying the beautiful fall weather! As the season changes, our chapter continues to roll full steam ahead with some fantastic educational and professional development opportunities.

This Friday, October 9th, we have a great presentation lined up by Advanced Rescue Solutions for our monthly chapter meeting. It promises to be a high-value session, so please make sure to view the details and secure your spot on the [October Chapter Meeting registration page](#). Right on its heels next week, we are hosting a dedicated Construction Safety Meeting focusing on managing workplace substance abuse testing. This session is a perfect opportunity to evaluate your current policies and procedures, ensure

alignment with best practices, and refine your program. You can sign up via the [Construction Safety Meeting registration link](#).

Looking ahead on the calendar, the 2027 Indiana Safety and Health Conference & Expo will be held a bit earlier this year, taking place February 8th–10th, 2027, at the Indiana Convention Center. We are thrilled to announce former professional racecar driver Danica Patrick as our keynote speaker! Beyond an inspiring keynote from a barrier-breaking athlete, the conference features an incredible lineup of highlights. Attendees can look forward to educational breakout sessions with cutting-edge topics tailored for safety professionals, HR staff, and safety committees across construction and general industry. The event will also feature the Safety Runway showcasing the latest safety gear, continuing education credits (for CSP, CIH/CAIH, CHMM, HRCI, SHRM-PDCs, CNE, and wastewater operators), leading products at the Safety Expo, the Governor's Workplace Safety Awards Luncheon, and great networking receptions. [Conference registration is officially open](#), so be sure to lock in your spot early.

Finally, a quick reminder about our new initiative: the CIASSP Safety Professional Scholarship Application. The Central Indiana Chapter is offering \$500 CEU scholarships to support members needing financial assistance to pursue continuing education. Funds can be applied toward conference registration, professional development courses, annual membership dues, or certification fees. Don't delay—applications are due by November 1st, 2026.

Thank you all for your continued support and dedication to our safety community. I am excited to see everyone at our upcoming events this month!

Best regards,

Karl Weisser

President, Central Indiana ASSP Chapter

UPCOMING EVENTS

October Chapter Meeting

911 is Not My Rescue Plan

Be sure to join us as we hear from **Todd Taylor** on the importance of proactive rescue planning and emergency preparedness. You'll have opportunities to network with fellow safety professionals, enjoy lunch, and gain valuable insights that can help strengthen workplace safety programs and rescue readiness.

Friday, October 9, 2026 from 11:00am - 1:00pm

Venue: [Advanced Rescue Solutions](#)

Venue Address: 1173 Airport Parkway, Suite A, Greenwood, IN 46143

This sounds interesting...Register by clicking [HERE](#)

Special thanks to Advanced Rescue Solutions for hosting this event!



Construction Special Interest Group

Managing Substance Abuse Programs

Presented by **Cynthia Able of Indiana Testing**, this session will explore effective strategies for developing, implementing, and managing workplace substance abuse programs while supporting employee well-being and maintaining a safe work environment. The event also provides an excellent opportunity to connect with peers and discuss current challenges and best practices in workplace safety.

Thursday, November 12, 2026 from 11:30am - 1:00pm

Venue: [Hagerman - Fishers Office](#)

Venue Address: 10315 Allisonville Road, Fishers, IN 46038

I'm not gonna be left out...Register by clicking [HERE](#)

Special thanks to Hagerman Construction for hosting this event!



November Chapter Meeting

Ethics Course

Join us for an engaging **Ethics Course with the Indiana AIHA Section**, presented by **Tom Gormley**. This session will explore the ethical principles and professional responsibilities that guide occupational safety and health professionals, providing practical insight into navigating complex workplace decisions with integrity and accountability. Attendees will gain valuable perspectives on ethical leadership while networking with fellow safety professionals and earning continuing education credit.

Friday, November 13, 2026 from 11:00am - 1:00pm

Venue: [Safety Management Group - The Safety Yard](#)

Venue Address: 2405 US-52 E., Lebanon, IN 46052

I'm making plans now...Register by clicking [HERE](#)

Special thanks to SMG for hosting this event!



December Chapter Meeting

Annual IOSHA Update

Join our year end Chapter Meeting for an engaging presentation by **KR Boucher** on the **Annual IOSHA Update**. This session will provide you with valuable insights into recent IOSHA developments, enforcement trends, and regulatory updates affecting workplaces across Indiana. Attendees will also have the opportunity to network with fellow safety professionals, exchange ideas and best practices with peers from across the region, and enjoy delicious food!

Friday, December 18, 2026 from 11:00am - 1:00pm

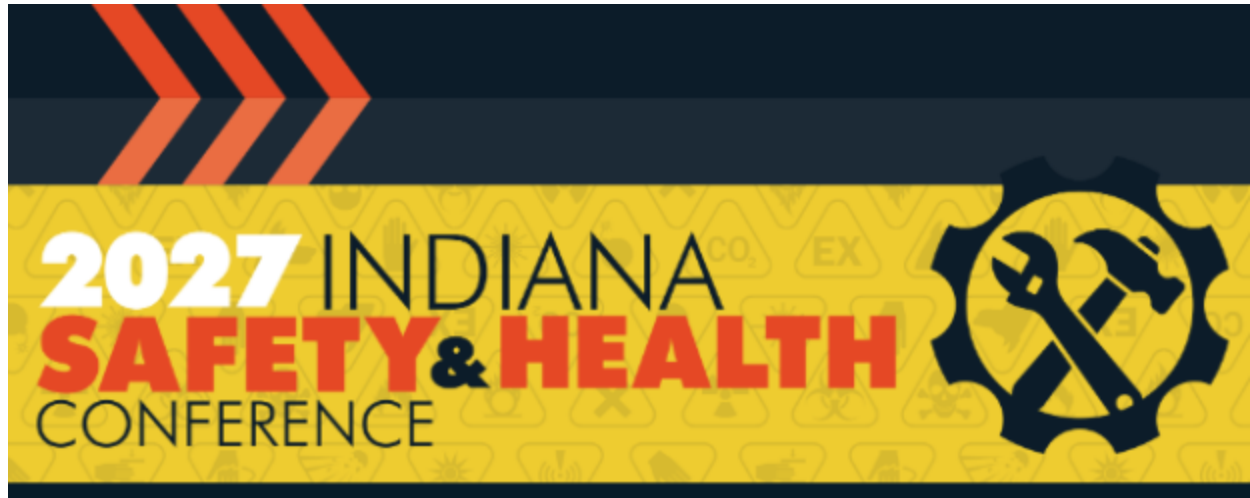
Lunch will be provided

Venue: [The Rathskeller](#)

Venue Address: 401 East Michigan Street, Indianapolis, IN 46204

This is a MUST...Register by clicking [HERE](#)

Special thanks to The Rathskeller for hosting this event!



Save the date for the [2027 Indiana Safety and Health Conference](#). Discover new compliance strategies to build a safer workplace at this unique event. The agenda is coming soon, so keep an eye out.

February 8 - 10, 2027

Venue: Indiana Convention Center

Venue Address: 190 S. Capitol Ave., Indianapolis, IN

ADDITIONAL CONFERENCE HIGHLIGHTS:

- Keynote speakers Danica Patrick and Scott Gaddis
- Educational breakout sessions with cutting-edge topics for safety and health professionals in construction and general industry, safety committee members and human resources staff
- Safety Runway showcasing the latest and greatest in safety gear
- Continuing education credits for CSP, CIH/CAIH, CHMM, HRCI, SHRM-PDCs, CNE and wastewater operators
- Leading products and services at the safety expo
- Governor's Workplace Safety Awards Luncheon
- Networking receptions

Register soon...the early bird discount ends on January 15, 2027!

Future Leader Scholarship Opportunity



The poster features the ASSP logo (a shield with 'A', 'S', 'P' and a cross) and the text 'AMERICAN SOCIETY OF SAFETY PROFESSIONALS' and 'Central Indiana Chapter'. The main title '2027 FUTURE LEADER SCHOLARSHIP' is in large green and yellow letters, with a graduation cap icon above 'LEADER'. Below the title, it says 'Investing in the next generation of safety leaders.' and 'The Central Indiana Chapter of ASSP is proud to offer the 2027 Future Leader Scholarship to students pursuing careers in occupational safety and health.' A circular inset shows three students in hard hats and safety vests. A yellow banner at the bottom right says 'APPLICATION DEADLINE DECEMBER 1, 2026' with a calendar icon. Below this, 'ELIGIBLE STUDENTS MUST:' is followed by five icons and their corresponding requirements: 1. Active ASSP student member in good standing. 2. Attended at least two Student Section or Central Indiana Chapter meetings. 3. Enrolled at Indiana State University, Indiana University or Purdue University. 4. Pursuing a degree in occupational safety management or a closely related field. 5. Meeting all additional requirements listed in the scholarship application. At the bottom, a green bar says 'KNOW A DESERVING STUDENT? SHARE THIS OPPORTUNITY!' with a megaphone icon, and 'APPLY TODAY:' with a globe icon and the URL <https://centralindiana.assp.org/download/8572/?tmstv=1787005668>. A yellow bar at the very bottom says 'TOGETHER, WE'RE INVESTING IN THE FUTURE OF WORKPLACE SAFETY.' with a shield icon.

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Heck yeah, I'm eligible! ... [Click here to apply](#)

NEWS

Opioid Overdose Rescue with Reversal Medications

The US Dept. of Labor has released new workplace guidance to help employers and workers rapidly respond to opioid-related overdose emergencies in the workplace. OSHA's fact sheet provides practical information that focuses on empowering workplaces to recognize the signs of an overdose and act immediately.



[Click here to read the Opioid Overdose Rescue with Reversal Medications fact sheet](#)

Special Thanks!

September Chapter Meeting

Safety isn't something added at the end of a project. It's designed into every step from the beginning.

Thank you to those that were able to attend our August Chapter Meeting where our presenter, **David West**, discussed the evolution of system safety, pressure vessel design, and the lessons that continue to shape our industry.

Continuous learning and knowledge sharing help strengthen our safety culture and drive better outcomes for our teams and clients.



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/Permit Writer (nights) - (Indianapolis)

Safety Advisor - Owners Rep (Bloomington)

Health and Safety Manager (Shelbyville)

Safety Advisor (Indianapolis)

Permit Writer (Indianapolis)

Power/Utilities Safety Advisor (Indianapolis)

Bilingual Safety Trainer (Lebanon)

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2026 Central Indiana ASSP Chapter Officers & Committee Chairs

Use the [Contact Us](#) page to email the chapter leadership team.