



## CENTRAL INDIANA ASSE CHAPTER NEWSLETTER

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#### President's Message

Happy Autumn Chapter Members!

This week, October 5-11 is designated as Fire Prevention Week. Do your part to sound the alarm that working smoke alarms save lives. Did you know that many people don't test their smoke alarms as often as they should? You need working smoke alarms to give you time to get out, testing should occur monthly. NFPA has provided multiple tools for fire service, teachers and families with children.

<http://www.nfpa.org/safety-information/fire-prevention-week>

Last week I had the pleasure of attending the 14<sup>th</sup> annual Indianapolis Fire Safety Olympics Festival at the Indiana State Fairgrounds. For this annual event the Indianapolis Fire Department Public Education Division invites 750 elementary-age students to learn about fire safety, home safety, pedestrian safety, child passenger safety, gun safety, water safety and wheeled sports safety. The kids had an enjoyable day while learning about safety at home and in everyday situations. In addition, Pacers Sports & Entertainment partnered with the Indianapolis Fire Department to distribute 750 Halloween costumes donated by JAKKS Pacific. For more information visit, [2014 Fire Safety Olympics Video](#) or contact Captain Aleatha Henderson Director of Public Education / Firefighters Survive Alive at [Aleatha.Henderson@indy.gov](mailto:Aleatha.Henderson@indy.gov).

The advertisement is a horizontal banner with a red top half and a yellow bottom half. On the left side, there is a white smoke alarm. The text 'Working Smoke Alarms Save Lives' is written in large, bold, black letters across the red background. Below this, 'Test Yours Every Month!' is written in bold black letters on the yellow background. At the bottom of the yellow section, it says 'Fire Prevention Week • October 5-11, 2014 • Go to FPW.org'. On the right side of the yellow section is the NFPA logo, which consists of a square with a flame inside and the letters 'NFPA' below it.

Vince Plank, CSP – Chapter President  
Central Indiana Chapter ASSE

On Friday, September 12th, the Central Indiana ASSE Chapter hosted their 2nd Annual Scholarship Golf Outing at West Chase Golf Club in Brownsburg, Indiana.



With your help and support, the chapter was able to raise enough funds to provide a \$1,000 Golf Outing Scholarship! This scholarship will be awarded to a student member in January 2015.

A special thanks to our corporate sponsors:



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## Upcoming 2014 Central Indiana Chapter Monthly Meetings and Dates:

On September 17<sup>th</sup> the chapter toured the Honda Manufacturing Plant in Greensburg, IN. Thanks to all that were able to attend.



With the exception of November and December, 2014, Central Indiana ASSE Chapter meetings are typically held on the third Wednesday of the month from 11:00AM to 1:00PM. Information for the 2014 Chapter meetings are as follows:

### **October 15, 2014 11:00AM-1:00PM:**

**Where:** Indianapolis Power & Light Company (IPL) - 1230 W. Morris St Indianapolis, IN

**Topic:** AchieveWELL: How Aligning Safety and Wellness Matter in Recruiting and Retaining Your Best and Brightest

**Speakers:** Chuck Gillespie Executive Director Wellness Council of Indiana and Linda Brinson, Director of Safety and Wellness with Draper, Inc.

### **November 12, 2014 11:00AM-1:00PM:**

**Where:** Scottish Rite Cathedral's Washington Room - 650 N Meridian Street Indianapolis, IN

**Topic:** Annual IOSHA Update with Department of Labor Commissioner Rick Ruble and Deputy Commissioner Tim Maley

### **December 10, 2014 11:00AM-1:00PM:**

**Where:** Golden Corral - 160 S Marlin Drive Greenwood, IN 46142

**Topic:** ROI of Chemical Management

**Speaker:** Jason Massey with Sitehawk

Information and registration for Chapter and Section meetings can be found at <http://centralindiana.asse.org/events/>.

## **Central Indiana ASSE Southern Section:**

**When:** October 28, 2014, 11:30AM–1:00PM – Lunch will be provided.

**Topic/Location:** Electronic Controls for Lockout/Tagout

Cummins Technical Center Dining Room - 1900 McKinley Avenue MC 50224

Columbus, IN 47201

Send RSVP's to Kyle Kerber or Mark Mandel at [kyle.e.kerber@cummins.com](mailto:kyle.e.kerber@cummins.com) or [mark.e.mandel@cummins.com](mailto:mark.e.mandel@cummins.com)

**Indiana University ASSE Student Section** IU ASSE Student Section meeting dates and times

Monday 10/13/14 School of Public Health 125 4:00PM – Chapter Membership Chair Bill Bayne Speaking

Monday 11/10/14 School of Public Health 125 4:00PM

Monday 12/8/14 School of Public Health 125 4:00PM

Please join our IU Safety Facebook group at <https://www.facebook.com/groups/480348595317750/> and be on the lookout for more safety related e-mails.



**SAFETY IS YOUR POT OF GOLD**  **2015 Safety and Health Conference & Expo**  
March 16-18, 2015 | Indiana Convention Center, Indianapolis

**Title Sponsor 2015 Indiana Safety and Health Conference:**



**Registration is now open for the 2015 Indiana Safety Conference March 16-18, 2015**

**Early Bird Special**

**(Register by Feb. 1, 2015)**

- March 16-18 (3-day): \$448
- March 17-18 (2-day): \$349
- March 16: \$99
- March 17: \$249
- March 18: \$249
- Expo Only (March 17): \$49
- Exhibit Booth: \$895

**Register after Feb. 1, 2015**

- March 16-18 (3-day): \$499
- March 17-18 (2-day): \$399
- March 16: \$149
- March 17: \$299
- March 18: \$299
- Expo Only (March 17): \$49
- Exhibit Booth: \$895

**Stay up to date on the 2015 Indiana Safety & Health Conference at [www.insafetyconf.com](http://www.insafetyconf.com).**

## NEWS YOU CAN USE:

### *Halloween Health & Safety Tips*

Autumn holidays like Halloween and Harvest Day are fun times for children of all ages, who can dress up in costumes, enjoy parties, enjoy fall fruits and vegetables, and eat yummy treats. These celebrations also provide a chance to give out healthy snacks, get physical activity, and focus on safety. Check out these tips to help make the festivities fun and safe for trick-or-treaters and party guests.

**S**

Swords, knives, and similar costume accessories should be short, soft, and flexible.

**A**

Avoid trick-or-treating alone. Walk in groups or with a trusted adult.

**F**

Fasten reflective tape to costumes and bags to help drivers see you.

**E**

Examine all treats for choking hazards and tampering before eating them. Limit the amount of treats you eat.

**H**

Hold a flashlight while trick-or-treating to help you see and others see you. Always WALK and don't run from house to house.

**A**

Always **test make-up** [🔗](#) in a small area first. Remove it before bedtime to prevent possible skin and eye irritation.

**L**

Look both ways before crossing the street. Use established crosswalks wherever possible.

**L**

Lower your risk for serious eye injury by not wearing **decorative contact lenses**. [🔗](#)

**O**

Only walk on sidewalks whenever possible, or on the far edge of the road facing traffic to stay safe.

**W**

Wear well-fitting masks, costumes, and shoes to avoid blocked vision, trips, and falls.

**E**

Eat only factory-wrapped treats. Avoid eating homemade treats made by strangers.

**E**

Enter homes only if you're with a trusted adult. Only visit well-lit houses. Don't stop at dark houses. Never accept rides from strangers.

**N**

Never walk near lit candles or luminaries. Be sure to wear flame-resistant costumes.

## Long Service Recognition for Members

Each year at this time ASSE prepares long service certificates for members with 25/40/50 years of membership. This is an extremely important project, as it shows our members that we are aware of their many years of dedication to the Society, and gives us an opportunity to thank them. Certificates for Central Indiana will include:



*Michael D Garvey*

*Chris A Harris*

*Allen L Wilson*

*James F Bradley*

*Bruce V Guiliani*

*Gerald K Mumaw*

*James R Wilson*

## The National Transportation Safety Board Seeks Lower Alcohol Limits, Finds Support from ASSE



The National Transportation Safety Board issued recommendations to tackle the problem of impaired driving. One of the most important recommendations, to lower the legal blood-alcohol limit to .05 percent, has received support from the American Society of Safety Engineers.

In the past several decades, awareness of the dangers of alcohol-impaired driving has increased. However, alcohol-impaired driving still accounts for approximately one-third of all U.S. highway fatalities.

Public and private entities focusing on this safety issue have changed social perceptions concerning alcohol-impaired driving; they also have achieved important legislative actions to help reduce it. Due to these efforts, the number of lives lost annually in alcohol-impaired-driver-related crashes declined 53 percent, from 21,113 in 1982 to 9,878 in 2011; and the percentage of highway fatalities resulting from alcohol-involved crashes is down from 48 percent in 1982 to about 31 percent today.

According to the report, “Reaching Zero: Actions to Eliminate Alcohol-Impaired Driving,” released by the National Transportation Safety Board (NTSB) earlier this year, success in addressing this safety issue has plateaued in the United States. “Since 1995, although the annual number of fatalities has declined, nearly one in three of all highway deaths still involves an alcohol-impaired driver. The cause of these deaths is well understood and preventable, yet even the most concerted efforts have not kept thousands of lives from being lost,” noted the report authors.

If traditional methods are no longer reducing the problem, new – and possibly challenging – initiatives must be considered. In the report, the NTSB:

- Describes the scope of the impaired driving problem;
- Summarizes the efforts of advocacy groups, researchers, law enforcement agencies, traffic safety groups, public health organizations, legislators and motor vehicle agencies, as well as federal, state and local governments, to reduce the number of crashes, injuries and fatalities;
- Examines the effect of alcohol consumption on an individual’s ability to operate a motor vehicle and on the risk of being involved in a crash; and
- Evaluates the effectiveness of current and emerging alcohol-impaired driving countermeasures and identifies new approaches and actions needed to reduce and ultimately eliminate alcohol-impaired driving.

Specifically, the report makes recommendations to the states in the following safety issue areas:

- Reducing the per se blood alcohol concentration (BAC) limit for all drivers.
- Conducting high-visibility enforcement of impaired driving laws and incorporating passive alcohol sensing technology into enforcement efforts.
- Expanding the use of in-vehicle devices to prevent operation by an impaired driver.
- Using driving while intoxicated (DWI) courts and other programs to reduce recidivism by repeat DWI offenders.
- Establishing measurable goals for reducing impaired driving and tracking progress toward those goals.

On the federal side, the report recommends that the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) support state efforts by seeking authority to award incentive grants to states for establishing per se BAC limits of 0.05 or lower and by establishing best practices for alcohol ignition interlock programs and creating incentives to encourage states to adopt the best practices. It also recommends that NHTSA develop and disseminate to states best practices for DWI courts.

Recently, the American Society of Safety Engineers announce that organization supports NTSB's efforts encouraging states to reduce the legal standard of driver impairment due to alcohol consumption to 0.05 percent from 0.08 percent.

Writing on behalf of the organization's 36,000 members, President Patricia M. Ennis, CSP, AMR, told Christopher A. Hart, acting chairman of NTSB: "ASSE's interest in seeing that the legal standard for driver impairment is lowered arises from our members' interest in doing whatever is reasonably possible to make driving safer. Year after year more workers die on our nation's highways than any other kind of workplace..."

She noted that ASSE members know how to work with employers to manage the risks related to workers driving on the nation's highways. "But," she added, "they need the appropriate support of government and law enforcement to reduce the chance that, despite their best efforts, a worker will be the victim of the alcohol-impaired driving of another driver."

The members of ASSE's Transportation Practice Specialty released its own white paper that supported a lower BAC and other efforts, including increased education, in-vehicle devices and other measures addressed in NTSB's "Reaching Zero."

### ***Updates to OSHA's Recordkeeping Rule:***

The Occupational Safety and Health Administration's updated recordkeeping rule includes two key changes. First, the rule updates the list of industries that are exempt from the requirement to routinely keep OSHA injury and illness records due to relatively low occupational injury and illness rates. The previous list of industries was based on the old Standard Industrial Classification (SIC) system and injury and illness data from the Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) from 1996-1998.

Second, the rule expands the list of severe work-related injuries and illnesses that all covered employers must report to OSHA. The revised rule retains the current requirement to report all fatalities within 8 hours and adds the requirement to report all inpatient hospitalizations, amputations and loss of an eye within 24 hours to OSHA. The new requirements will take effect on January 1, 2015.

The final rule will allow OSHA to focus its efforts more effectively to prevent fatalities and severe work-related injuries and illnesses. The final rule will also improve access by employers, employees, researchers and the public to information about workplace safety and health and increase their ability to identify and abate serious hazards.

## Top Ten OSHA Violations for Fiscal Year 2014

San Diego, CA, September 16, 2014 -- The U.S. Department of Labor's Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) has announced the preliminary Top 10 most frequently cited workplace safety violations for fiscal year 2014. Patrick Kapust, deputy director of OSHA's Directorate of Enforcement Programs, presented the Top 10 before a crowded group of spectators on the Expo floor.

"We greatly appreciate our colleagues at OSHA sharing their most recent data at the nation's largest gathering of safety and health professionals," said National Safety Council President and CEO Deborah A.P. Hersman. "This data is a poignant reminder that there is still much room for improvement in making our workplaces safer, and that it is going to take all of us to make a difference."

### The Top 10 for FY 2014\* are:

1. Fall protection (1926.501) – 6,143
2. Hazard Communication (1910.1200) – 5,161
3. Scaffolding (1926.451) – 4,029
4. Respiratory Protection (1910.134) – 3,223
5. Lockout/Tagout (1910.147) – 2,704
6. Powered Industrial Trucks (1910.178) – 2,662
7. Electrical – Wiring Methods (1910.305) – 2,490
8. Ladders (1926.1053) – 2,448
9. Machine Guarding (1910.212) – 2,200
10. Electrical – General Requirements (1910.303) – 2,056



The final report on the Top 10 violations for 2014 will be published in the December edition of the Council's Safety+Health magazine. *\*Preliminary figures as of Aug. 11, 2014*

### Members Corner:

If you have an interesting Safety story or Chapter related announcement/information you would like to share, or know of a CI ASSE Chapter member who does, please email it to [centralindianaasse@gmail.com](mailto:centralindianaasse@gmail.com) and we may post it in the Newsletter!



**Are you connected to the Chapter and members through social media?**

Keep up to date on Chapter news, events and meetings, as well as what your fellow Chapter members are involved with and supporting. There are currently **259 members** in the group. To join; click the LinkedIn logo on the left or click the LinkedIn logo on the home page of the website. Check it out today!

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## Central Indiana Chapter Member Count: 414 (as of 10/7/14)

Sections within the Central Indiana Chapter (included in total member count):

IU student members = 20

Southern Indiana members = 62

**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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