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www.neil.asse.org

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

First of all I would like to thank you all for electing me as your President and Jason Meiner as President Elect (VP) to run the NEIL Chapter for the year 2014-15. Together we have put together an exciting agenda as follows:

Safety Innovation and BBS – Dennis Marolt and Thomas Quick
Health and Safety Management Standard, ISO 45001 – Tom Fisher
Volunteering at Northern Illinois Food Bank – Rick Pokorny
OSHA Updates – Candra Jefferson
Round Table discussion on current exciting topics – NEIL Board
Field Trip – Underwriters Laboratory – Todd Honn
NIU Student Safety Achievements – Dr. William Mills
Ergonomic Seminar – Group Presentation and Brain Storm Solutions

NEIL Chapter has been playing a significant role in putting together the 26th Annual Chicagoland Safety, Health and Environmental Conference to be held on September 22-25, 2014 at Northern Illinois University campus located at 1120 East Diehl Road, Naperville, IL. Please check out the web at www.ChiSafetyConf.org for the detailed agenda.

Again, thanks for electing us to represent you all. Please join us to enrich your professional career.

Mike Saujani
President, NEIL Chapter, ASSE

MEETINGS & EVENTS

The next NEIL meeting is scheduled for Noon on Wednesday, September 24, 2013 at NIU-Naperville during the CSH&E Conference. This will be a board meeting only with no general meeting. The first General meeting of the year will be Friday, October 17 at Maggiano's at Woodfield Mall (I-90 & IL-53). The technical program will be a presentation on Behavior Based Safety and Safety Innovation by Thomas Quick and Dennis Marolt. Lunch will be at Noon with the presentation from 1:00-3:00PM.

Please pre-register for either meeting by responding to the Evite or sending an email to Dow Carter (dow.carter@abbott.com). Cost for the October meeting is \$25 if pre-registered or \$30 for walk-ins.

CHICAGOLAND SAFETY HEALTH & ENVIRONMENTAL CONFERENCE

The 26th Annual Chicagoland Health, Safety and Environmental Conference will be held at the Naperville campus of Northern Illinois University (NIU) September 22-25. The conference is designed for owners, supervisors, safety committee members, human resource managers and professionals who have safety, health, training, environmental or preparedness responsibilities or for anyone who is interested in safety. The conference is co-sponsored by the Northeast Illinois, Greater Chicago and Three Rivers chapters of the ASSE, the Chicago Local Section of the American Industrial Hygiene Association, the Alliance of Hazardous Materials Professionals and is planned in association with OSHA, NIU College of Engineering, and the National Safety Education Center.

Educational sessions include topics that will assist safety professionals and business owners to more effectively manage their safety efforts and workers comp expenses, and reduce regulatory compliance exposure. A full list of course offerings can be found at the conference web site, www.chisafetyconf.org.

The conference hosts a Hospitality and Business Expo Wednesday evening. On Thursday, the luncheon keynote speaker will be Mr. Don Wilson of SafeStart. Don is a frequent presenter at Corporate Health & Safety Meetings, as well as at NSC, ASSE and VPPPA conferences at both the national and local level. He has presented briefings on 24/7 safety to the leadership of all branches of the U.S. armed services at the Pentagon, and has also taught classes on various subjects at safety schools and organizations across North America and in many other countries around the world. His working background includes over 25 years of experience in Instructional Design, Vocational Education, E-Learning, Industrial Education and Health & Safety Training.

The conference offers a unique opportunity to learn about safety issues, and to network with others interested in safety. We encourage you to visit our web site and to register for those topics that are of interest to you. Registration can be done on-line at www.chisafetyconf.org.

2014 – 15 MEETING CALENDAR

Date	Time lunch / dinner Cost	Location	Topic	Speaker(s)
September 24	Noon	CSH&EC at NIU-Naperville	CSH&EC / Planning	Board Meeting Only
October 17	12:00 Noon Lunch / \$25	Maggiano's / Woodfield	Using a Tablet App to Conduct Machine & Equipment Risk Assessments	Thomas Quick & Dennis Marolt
November 21	12:00 Noon Lunch / \$25	Maggiano's / Woodfield	ISO 45001 – Health & Safety Mgt Standard	Tim Fisher - ASSE
December 12	9:00am Volunteer Event	Geneva, IL	Northern IL Food Bank	Rick Pokorny 312-496-9653
January 16	12:00 Noon Lunch / \$25	Maggiano's / Woodfield	OSHA Update	Candra Jefferson, OSHA
February 20	12:00 Noon Lunch / \$25	Maggiano's / Woodfield	Round Table Discussions	TBD
March 20	12:00 Noon Lunch / \$25	TBD	Field Trip – Underwriters Laboratories	Todd Honn & Mike Brown Underwriters Lab 615-557-3977
April 17	12:00 Noon Lunch / \$25	Maggiano's / Woodfield	Student Day, Elections & Member Recognition Awards	NIU Student Presentations
May 15	12:00 Noon Lunch / \$25	Maggiano's / Woodfield	Ergonomic Seminar	Barrington Orthopedics
June TBD	12:00 Noon Lunch	Maggiano's / Woodfield	Planning mtg.	NEIL Exec Board
June 7-10	Safety 2015	Dallas, TX	PDC	www.safety2015.org

ASSE Northeastern Illinois Chapter

September 2014

ANNOUNCEMENTS

New Members

Welcome to the NEIL Chapter:
Bernardo Garcia – Assurance Agency
Lauren Nauyokas – Harper College
Michael Rinker – Nypro Chicago
Kelli Parker – Klein Tools
Robert Jones
Joyce Muni

Chicagoland SH&E Conf

The twenty-sixth annual conference is coming up fast. September 22-25 will be here in just over a month with a great lineup of speakers, vendors, and great opportunities to network with HSE professionals from across the great Midwest.

At least three sessions will be led by NEIL members including Mike Saujani, Don Phillips, and Mike Sarlitto. Topics cover the range of health, safety, environment and emergency preparedness and response.

Northern Illinois University's Naperville campus is easy to get to and always provides an excellent venue. There's also great lodging and food nearby and downtown Naperville as a short 5-10 minute drive with shopping, food, entertainment and the beautiful riverfront walkway.

Chicagoland SH&E Conference –
www.chisafetyconf.org

NIU Naperville –
<http://www.niu.edu/regional/naperville>

City of Naperville – www.naperville.il.us

More information below in "Courses & Seminars."

COURSES & SEMINARS

ASSE 10TH Annual Future Safety Leaders Conference

The 10th Annual ASSE [Future Safety Leaders Conference](#) will be held Nov. 6-7, 2014, in Schaumburg, IL. The 2-day conference aims to prepare ASSE student members for the transition from student life to professional life by providing the tools to begin a successful career in safety. The event offers a unique opportunity for students to network with SH&E professionals, faculty, corporate recruiters and peers, as well as participate in roundtable discussions with safety experts, learn strategies for becoming an effective communicator and sharpen resume writing and interview skills.

Students interested in attending the conference must have a faculty advisor recommendation and complete an essay worksheet, available from the conference [website](#).

JOBS

Check the jobs page on the NEIL website for a listing of job openings.

<http://neil.asse.org/jobs.php>

NIU ASSE HUSKIE SECTION NEWS



Pictured from left to right: 2014-2015 Student Chapter President Cymone King; NIU Asst. Professor & Faculty Advisor Dr. William Mills; 2014-2015 Student Chapter Vice-President Shana Harris

The 2014 **NIU Involvement Fair** was an opportunity for student organizations such as the *NIU ASSE Huskie Chapter* to tell students about what they do and to recruit new students who may be interested in joining. The event took place on Sunday, August 24th, 2014 from 2:30-4:30pm in the Regency Room, Capital Room, Duke Ellington Ballroom, and Art Gallery Lounge, all in NIU's Holmes Student Center.

"As President of the NIU ASSE Huskie Chapter, my biggest goal for this year is exposure. I would like to open the opportunities and resources that ASSE has to offer to the engineering and technology community," says *Cymone King*, NIU ASSE Huskie Chapter President. Cymone continues, "In this Involvement fair, we talked to freshmen and upperclassmen students about how important safety will become to their engineering and technology careers. Also, we explained that even though safety may not be their major, it is always great to have a safety background. In the Involvement fair, we got to introduce ASSE to a lot of people in the community. I believe this is the first step of growth for the NIU ASSE Huskie Chapter."

A special thanks goes out to ASSE HQ for providing a colorful, professional tabletop booth, as well as handout materials and other promotional giveaways.

From the Editor

Big Shoes!

I wear a size 13 shoe, depending on the brand, sometimes up to a 14 EE. I have big feet. But no matter how big my feet are, it's always hard to fill big shoes. I inherited big shoes from Rick Pokorny when I followed him as chapter President two years ago and inherited regular boots from Mike Saujani in taking over the Chapter Newsletter. Over the last six-and-a-half years, Mike took the newsletter from two pages of the basics of our chapter to six to ten pages of all things Safety; covering society, activities in neighboring chapters and organizations, the NIU Student Section, and general safety. Under Mike's guiding hand, the NEILetter has become a must-read in my mailbox. My goal is to continue to build on Mike's efforts and maintain the high level of content NEIL members and readers from other chapters have come to expect.

As safety professionals, we all hear big shoes and often wear many hats. It's not enough to know the OSHA standards, we need to be interpreters, teachers, coaches, enforcers, and friends. We also need to know environmental, security, work-comp, production, supply chain, and how an emergency, inside or outside of our facility will effect our operation and the community.

Now that you've read the newsletter and looked over the calendar for the year, I hope you'll share our newsletter, the NEIL Chapter, and the ASSE with your co-workers. Invite your boss to a meeting; bring some of your employees to a few meetings, and encourage your colleagues who may not be ASSE members or who may just be inactive to come to a meeting this year. Over the past three years we have seen our meeting attendance grow and we need to encourage more attendance and more participation. Is there something you'd like to see covered in the newsletter? Let me know! A topic you'd like to see presented at a meeting? Contact a board member! Would you like to get involved? There is no better source of speakers for our Chapter Meetings, the Chicagoland Conference, and the PDC than our Chapter members. Come to a meeting for the lunch (Maggiano's is great), stay for the technical session, and then hang around for the board meeting. We all have something to share and a part to play in filling big shoes.



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