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November Luncheon

Please join us on Tuesday, November 20, 2018, from 11:30am - 1pm, for our monthly Alaska Chapter ASSP luncheon meeting. Remember, we are now meeting at the **BP Energy Center, 900 E. Benson Boulevard, Anchorage, AK 99508.**

After networking with your peers and eating a great lunch, we will have an opportunity to learn from Jay Jordan, CSP, CUSP, CET. Jay will be leading a presentation on Last Minute Risk Assessments, Safety Step Back, 5 X 5, and Think, Act, Do. These are just a few of the tools many companies use as part of their hazard assessment tools for employees and as part of their behavior-based safety programs. The question is: Are we taking full advantage of the results from the use of those tools? Jay will discuss how to expand the use of the Hazard Identification.

Cost (with meal): \$20.00 if you RSVP, \$25.00 at the door, \$10.00 for ASSP Student Members.

Date: November 20, 2018

Time: 11:30am to 1:00pm

Place: **BP Energy Center, 900 E. Benson Boulevard, Anchorage, AK 99508**

Send your RSVP to your Chapter President, Jon Johanson, at president@alaska.assp.org by the close of business on November 15, 2018.





Welcome New Chapter Members!

The Alaska Chapter continues to grow. The following individuals recently joined the AK Chapter. On behalf of the entire Membership, Welcome!

Samantha Case, Naomi DuCharme, Donald Farwell, Kumiko Hayes, Kristina Holzschuh, Joshua James, Javier Meraz, Thao Nguyen-Schneider, and John Spalding

2018 Alaska Occupational Safety Summit



The 2018 Alaska Occupational Safety Summit was held October 16 – 17 at the Hotel Captain Cook. Over 200 people attended the Summit. The conference committee from the Alaska ASSP Chapter presented a strong and full program this year, featuring the latest updates from around the industry and the country.

The Keynote Speaker was **Regina McMichael, CSP, CET**, and Founder of *The Learning Factory* and soon to be published Author of the *'Safety Training Ninja.'* Regina opened the conference with a powerful and challenging presentation on how she got into the safety profession and how her experience has molded her into the safety professional she is today.

Day two of the conference was opened by **Eldeen Pozniak, BA, BSc, CRSP, CMIOSH**. Eldeen provided the attendees with suggestions and techniques to enhance and improve safety programs.

Jose Perez, CSHM, SMS, OHST, closed the conference on a high note with his presentation on *Emotional Intelligence and Safety – Making the Connection*.

Thank you to all the individuals that volunteered their time during the past year to make the Safety Summit a success: **Cody Baggett, Lee Bauke, Gloria Beckman, Sam Cunard, Sam Dick, Dan Foote, Jon Johanson, Tessa Jones, Kelsey Kolberg, Ann Lindsey, Dave McCallister, Kelly McGovern, George Murray, Peter Ratner, Mary Rydesky, Maria Talasz, Dakota Underwood, Chris Warner, MSgt Ron Williams, USAF, and Amberle Wright.**





2018 Alaska Occupational Safety Summit - Continued



Eldeen Pozniak



Jim Smith



Regina McMichael

Membership Milestones

As of November 1, 2018, the AK ASSP Chapter had 363 members. Below is the list of Chapter members that recently celebrated a membership milestone with ASSP. Congratulations!

November 2018

Dave Leonard: 30 Years

Help Wanted – Volunteer Opportunities

Chapter Membership Chair – Estimated time commitment is 1 – 2 hours per month

Newsletter Editor or Contributor - Estimated time commitment is 1 – 2 hours per month

Student Section Officers: President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer. Estimated time commitment is 2 – 3 hours per month.





ASSP Foundation’s Scholarship, Grant Program Accepting Applications

The American Society of Safety Professionals (ASSP) Foundation is accepting [scholarship and grant applications](#) until December 1, 2018, for its annual disbursement of financial awards in 2019. More than \$370,000 is available through nearly 100 awards to occupational safety and health students and professionals, thanks to the generosity of corporate donors and the ASSP community.

Scholarships are available to undergraduate and graduate students, including full-time, part-time and international students studying in the United States. Applicants must be enrolled in an occupational safety or related degree program and have a grade point average of 3.0 for undergraduates and 3.5 for graduates. Professional education grants are available to established safety professionals looking to further their careers through certification, college coursework, conference registration or similar learning opportunities.

Candidates must only complete one online application to be eligible for all available awards. Recipients are matched with the criteria set forth by the fund’s donor, and those selected will be notified in April 2019.

Scholarship and grant applicants can get more information on the program by reading [frequently asked questions](#). Additional questions should be directed to the ASSP Foundation at asspfoundation@assp.org or 847.699.2929.

ASSP House of Delegates Approves Bylaws Changes

Our House of Delegates recently voted to approve several changes to the Society bylaws, including changing the title of executive director to chief executive officer. The title change better aligns the Society with the association industry. The term “executive director” may mischaracterize the scope and importance of the position and create a competitive disadvantage when recruiting for the role. The change also addresses inconsistencies between two sections of the bylaws.

The delegates also approved changes that will: streamline and clarify the nominations and elections process and timeline, eliminate redundancy; and remove the Bylaws Committee as a standing committee because changes in processes now ensure that bylaws changes undergo several review cycles by committees, board and staff members, and legal representatives, as well as review by delegates when voting. Read the current [Society Bylaws on ASSP’s website](#).

