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Message from the Chapter President

Dear Alaska ASSP Members,

Happy New Year to you and your families! As we begin 2019, I am looking forward to the events that are planned for the Alaska Chapter. We begin in January with David McCallister, M.Sc., CSP, CHMM, and his presentation on the impact a safety professional can make at his/her workplace. At the February luncheon, James Boretti, the Regional Vice President for Region I of ASSP will be the guest speaker.

Rather than the standard luncheon in March and April 2019, your Chapter Executive Committee is working on coordinating a technical tour of a couple industrial sites in Anchorage. Stay tuned for more details regarding dates/times and location of the tours.

In May, our guest speaker will be Jerry Balistreri, M.S., M.Ed., ASTD Certified Trainer, Professional Trainer, Speaker and Author. Then in June, you are all invited to attend our annual chapter picnic.

For your planning purposes, the 14th Annual Alaska Occupational Safety Summit is planned for October 22 – 23, 2019 at *The Hotel Captain Cook*.

While it may seem early, consider taking a leadership role with the Alaska Chapter Executive Committee. Nomination forms for the 2019-2020 Alaska Chapter Executive Committee will be going out in the next few weeks. If you are interested in serving with Chapter leadership, please reach out to any Alaska Chapter Executive Committee member to gain more of an understanding on specific positions. We would like to keep the transition as smooth as possible and by getting involved now, you can get better feel for the volunteer role you are interested in. It will also allow you to understand what works for you and the time commitment you can make.

Finally, the December luncheon with the Anchorage Post of the Society of American Military Engineers was a tremendous success! Thank you to each of the volunteers that helped make the event meaningful, educational and fun. Thank you to the businesses and/or individuals that donated prizes for the event too.

Jon Johanson, Alaska ASSP Chapter President





January Luncheon

Please join us on Tuesday, January 15, 2019, 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 listen to a presentation from our guest speaker, **David R. McCallister**, M.Sc., CSP, CHMM. David will be leading a presentation that details and provides actual examples of how a safety professional can impact the safety culture and performance of the company – working at the top of the organization with the corporate senior leadership team and the senior leadership of contractors. David’s presentation goes beyond compliance and standards, but keys in on safety leadership at the top levels of the company, the use of risk registers to understand and mitigate risk and getting at the hearts and minds of first line supervisors and workers.

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

Date: January 15, 2019

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 January 10, 2019.

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!

Amira Goldstein, Brandon Haworth, Michael Mott, and John Whiddon

CSP Study Group

If you are thinking about or planning to take the Certified Safety Professional (CSP) exam soon, AK ASSP member, Adriana Karameti, has volunteered to organize a CSP study group. Please contact Adriana at aj.karameti@live.com for more details.





Membership Milestones

As of January 1, 2019, the AK ASSP Chapter had 360 members. Below is the list of Chapter members that recently celebrated a membership milestone with ASSP. Congratulations!

January 2019

George Borderieux: 10 Years

Bobby Carroll: 5 Years

Roy Longbotham: 5 Years

Clifton Reagle: 5 Years

February 2019 Luncheon

Please join us on Tuesday, **February 19, 2019**, for our monthly Alaska Chapter ASSP luncheon meeting at the BP Energy Center. The guest speaker is James Boretti, CSP. James is the Regional Vice President for Region I of ASSP. The title of the presentation is: *State of the Region, ASSP, & Business Case for Safety: Examples Lived for Success.*

Description of Presentation: Why do organizations undertake safety efforts? And how does membership in ASSP bring value to me? This presentation will explore organizational motivations for safety, discuss “business” considerations in decision-making, and share examples of aligning organizational techniques to integrate safety without compromising your safety values. We will also explore the various ways members can avail themselves of the professional development and networking opportunities ASSP provides in building toward success. We will share what Region 1 does to support that effort and discuss why we join as members and what we value from ASSP.

The presentation will discuss:

- Motivations: for safety in our organizations: why do they do it
- Examples: Shared experiences in overcoming barriers that leads to safety integration
- Society: Importance of your membership in ASSP and how that helps you succeed

Attendees will walk away with shared examples they can build upon for continued success, a better understanding of the Region does for them, and how they can get more from their membership and volunteerism.





SAVE THE DATE

14th Annual Alaska Occupational Safety Summit



Coming to Anchorage: **October 22 – 23, 2019**
To be held at *The Hotel Captain Cook*

You're Invited: Common Interest Group and Practice Specialty Virtual Meetings

ASSP's practice specialties and common interest groups regularly host virtual meetings and open calls that are open to all. These events provide educational discussions and explain the importance of these ASSP member communities. Following are a few virtual meetings and open calls being held in January 2019.

The [International Practice Specialty](#) will host a [virtual meeting](#) about the importance of industrial hygiene certifications, key features/modules and the benefits of such in your professional career and within your professional community on Jan. 16 at 10 a.m. CST.

The [Transportation Practice Specialty](#) will host a [virtual meeting](#) about the safety and health risks associated with fatigue, the barriers to managing it and strategies for addressing fatigue risks on January 24 at 12pm CST.

The [Utilities Practice Specialty](#) will host a [virtual meeting](#) about drones in the utility industry and how this technology can improve worker safety on January 31 at 1 p.m. CST.

The [Women in Safety Excellence Common Interest Group](#) will host a [virtual meeting](#) about the benefits of membership and what is new with this group including networking, career and educational initiatives on Jan. 30 at 11 a.m. CST.

For questions about [practice specialties](#), contact [Char Haguewood](#), ASSP's manager, practice specialties, at (847) 768-3436. For questions about [common interest groups](#), contact [Ashleigh Brookshaw](#), ASSP's manager, community engagement, at (847) 768-3441.

