

ALASKA CHAPTER



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Chapter Executive Committee

For information on the Chapter you can visit <http://alaska.asse.org/> or you can email Alaska.Safety.Engineers@gmail.com to reach any of our CEC Officers or Chairpersons.

The AK-ASSE Chapter Executive Committee Officers (CEC):

- President: Jeff Kolean
- President Elect: Joireen Cohen
- Vice President: Tim Bogowith
- Treasurer: Phillip Galloway, CSP, CHST, CET, ARM
- Secretary: Jill Gaylard, MS, CIH, CSP
- Delegate: David Leonard, CSP
- Delegate: Lynne Seville, CSP

Chairpersons and Volunteers:

- ~ Membership: Jonathan Johanson
- ~ Program: Tim Bogowith
- ~ PDC Volunteers: Leischen Bauke
- ~ Public Relations: Mary Snare
- ~ Newsletter/Website: Jill Gaylard
- ~ Government Affairs: Scott Ketcham
- ~ Awards & Honors: Nick Danger

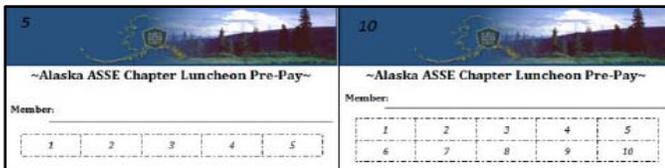
Chapter Meetings

Alaska Chapter meetings are held on the 3rd Tuesday of the month from 11:30 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. Credit cards, cash, or check are accepted at the door. RSVPs are sent to the Chapter Secretary, Jill Gaylard at jill.gaylard@gmail.com.



Guest Speaker: Please come out and join us for our February Luncheon. Fairweather Director of Quality & HSE, Brian McKay, will be providing a technical presentation on "*Near Misses in the Construction Industry*".

Also be on the lookout! 5 and 10-lunch pre-pay cards will be available for purchase.



The next Chapter Meeting is being held

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February 17, 2015
11:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

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Coast International Inn
3450 Aviation Ave
Anchorage AK 99502

Member Milestones Recognized

The following Members are being recognized for their continued dedication and service to the Profession and our Chapter. On behalf of our Membership, Thank You!

~ Michael Sebenick: 5 Yrs ~ Robin Wright: 5 Yrs

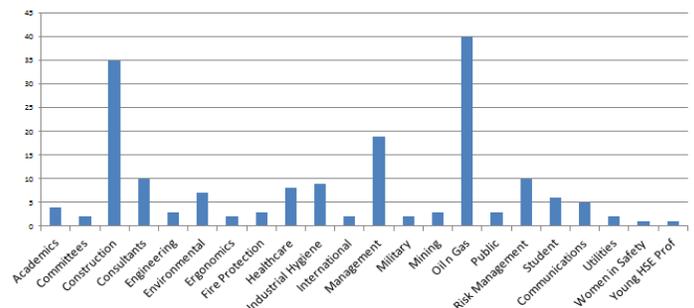
New Members Welcome

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

~ Jo Ballagh ~ Michelle Bisnar ~ Javier Jordan ~ Erin Keith
~ Zackary Lahti Maley ~ David McIlroy ~ Paul Quillen

Primary Practice Specialties

Support your Primary Practice! Members are encouraged to select their PPS (primary practice specialty) when renewing their memberships. Group benefits include networking, technical publications, mentoring services, and many more. Want to see which PPSs other Members have joined? Chart!



Meet one of Our Members



Todd Klementz: I am currently employed at Alaska Frontier Constructors. I am a CHST/ safety specialist in Prudhoe Bay. I joined ASSE to further my contacts in the HSE world and also to be able to share knowledge and gain friends and safety experiences with colleagues. I love snowmobiling, fishing, camping, hunting, spending time with my wonderful son Joe, reading, shooting pool, travelling, and also helping other safety professionals with issues in the oilfield on my off time. I want readers to know that being a safety professional means to really hold safety for others at work and at home high on a pedestal. Its not just a job, its truly caring that people stay safe, keep the environment clean, and their work places and homes free from hazards. Its not just meetings and policies, its caring about what you're doing to help. That's why I do it and love it. I have so many experiences, but the best ones are when I have trained people and it comes back to me in the form of a safe observation or an intervention in the field that may have saved someone from getting hurt or even saved a life.

Awards & Nominations Chair



Nick Danger: The Mayor's Office is accepting applications for the MOA Public Safety Advisory Commission (PSAC). The PSAC identified broad public safety issues of concern to the citizens of the municipality and advises the Mayor and Assembly on these issues. The PSAC accomplishes this by soliciting input from the public and working closely with the Anchorage Police Department, Anchorage Fire Department, and Office of Emergency Management to identify trends and problems that may arise. **The Mayor selects most appointments to municipal boards and commissions.** His selections are forwarded to the Assembly for confirmation. Members of a few boards and commissions can be elected, or in some cases, are selected by the Assembly. Before your name is submitted to the Assembly for appointment, a staff member will call you to make sure that you are still interested and available to serve. Please visit <http://www.muni.org> for an application or more information on the PSAC. Another source of information is the Special Assistant to the Mayor at PO Box 196650, Anchorage AK 99519-6650.

Public Relations Chair



Mary Snare: Welcome 2015! With the new year, ASSE Alaska is better than ever! Each month that progresses, we gain not only new members, but colleagues and friends as we continue to grow. Heading into the next few months, I encourage all members to reach out to those who you believe would be interested in our discussions or attending one of our meetings. Reach out to co-workers, business partners, and even students. ASSE Alaska has much to offer and it is up to us as a group to let other know who we are and what we do. In addition to reaching out, representing ASSE Alaska can also go a long way. For instance, you can reach out at the upcoming **Governor's Safety and Health Conference** in March. I would also love to see many of you at the **National ASSE Conference in Dallas** this year. Social Media is a fantastic avenue to pursue. Share your experiences on **Facebook, LinkedIn, and Twitter**. Share the ASSE newsletter to help inspire other to be safe and stay healthy. I myself am looking forward to seeing ASSE Alaska grow and be prominent within our community. **Lets do it Together!**

Featured Event: Alaska Governor's Safety & Health Conference

March 2015, 34th Annual, AK Governors Safety & Health Conference	
Tuesday, March 24, 2015	
7:00 AM - 5:30 PM	Registration is Open
8:00 AM	Opening Ceremonies & Welcome
8:30 - 10:00 AM	Session 1 - Keynote
Keynote:	Kevin C. Snyder, PhD
	"Journey Toward Excellence - Thinking Differently: How Extraordinary Leaders Inspire Excellence!" Learn strategies that inspire excellence and achieve breakthrough performance, discover organizational best practices, concepts and take-away activities that empower extraordinary motivation, empower innovation, and foster passionate workforce cultures. Leave with a deeper understanding of what actions and priorities are truly most important to attain excellence both personally and professionally.
Wednesday, March 25, 2015	
7:00 AM - 5:30 PM	Exhibit Hall Grand Opening Conference Registration is Open
8:00 - 9:30 AM	Session 22
General Session:	Anil Mathur, CEO, Alaska Tanker
	"Operational Excellence in Safety and Transforming a Culture" Learn how impacting the culture within a company dramatically impacted safety outcomes, employee retention, and innovative thinking. The AK Tanker Association has worked more than 19,000,000 man hours with 1 lost time incident. They are the only Tanker company to have received the Golden Osprey Award from the Coast Guard and have not spilled a drop of oil into the ocean in over 7 years.
Thursday, March 26, 2015	
7:00 AM - 3:30 PM	Exhibit Hall & Conference Registration is Open
8:00 - 9:30 AM	Session 43
General Session:	Jennifer Lincoln, PhD, CSP - Director, Alaska NIOSH / CDC
	"The Reality of Working in Alaska: Research from the NIOSH Alaska Pacific Office" Explore the most hazardous industries and occupations in Alaska, receive an overview of work-related fatalities and challenges faced in these industries. Discuss innovative solutions to workplace safety issues - identify achievements and future directions of occupational safety research in our state.