



Arizona Chapter ASSE Newsletter

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Future Events (For more events please go to our website at az.asse.org)

James Gallup – Performance Based Fire Protection, October 6th

Leadership Conference, October 12/13th

ADOSH Safety Summit – Yuma, October 14th

Sky Harbor Triennial Exercise, October 26th (TARPS Opportunity)

Monthly Technical Luncheon

Please check out our technical luncheons the first Friday of every month.

Register at:

AZ.ASSE.ORG

About ASSE / Why join ASSE

Founded in 1911, ASSE is the oldest and largest professional safety organization. With more than 37,000 members worldwide, ASSE is a global association of occupational safety, health (OSH) and environmental professionals that advances the interests of its members and the profession. ASSE members create safer work environments by preventing workplace fatalities, injuries and illnesses. Safer organizations enjoy increased productivity, higher employee satisfaction and a better reputation, while recording less lost time, and lower workers' compensation and healthcare costs.

As members of ASSE Arizona Chapter you will receive many benefits! The following are only several benefits for becoming a member:

- Through its chapter structure and on-line technologies, ASSE will give you global, regional and local opportunity to network, exchange ideas, solve challenges and develop leadership skills.
- ASSE's monthly published Professional Safety Journal features in-depth articles that cover a wide range of cutting-edge topics.
- AZASSE provides its members discounts on a multitude of professional development programs to enhance and enrich the profession.

The Arizona Chapter of ASSE is a growing community seeking to help all members better network, learn how to keep people safe, and better the world around it. We will be holding the following events and we invite all to come! There are many other events that are listed on the calendar at www.azasse.org (ASSE Chapter Meetings are the 1st Friday of every month)

Member Highlight

Michael Bryant, President of ASSE Arizona



I work at GateWay Community College Occupational Safety and Health Program Residential Faculty and Program Director. Essentially, I teach and manage our associate degree program in Occupational Safety. I enjoy working with future safety leaders. I have two young children (Max is 4 and Sydney is 8). I enjoy spending time with them and being active.

Check out our social media!

Check us out on Twitter

<https://twitter.com/AZASSE>

Visit on Facebook

<https://www.facebook.com/ArizonaChapterAsse>

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My path to safety started at Oklahoma State University (Go Pokes!) in the early 90's. My undergraduate degree is in Fire Protection and Safety Engineering/Technology. After a few internships in Petro/Chemical and part-time job working at Fire Protection Publications (they publish fire training manuals) I went to work in Houston, Dallas, Louisiana, and Phoenix.

I was the ASSE Student Section President at OSU and have been a member since. For many years I used my members to help achieve certification points. I now realize the importance of volunteers and the *local* impact we make on advancing our profession.

I think back on a pivotal point in my life - I was a Fire Explorer (Boy Scout Program) for the Los Angeles County Fire Department. My goal was to be a fire fighter. I had a few pivotal mentors to help shape my career. A Battalion Chief pulled me aside and pointed me to OSU's program. I met another Fire Explorer who was in his first year OSU. Kevin gave me a tour of the campus - I returned home to packed my stuff - and the rest is history.

I want to thank Battalion Chief Clady (retired), Los Angeles County Fire Chief Daryl L. Osby, and Kevin Hobby for introducing me to the Safety Profession. Take time to reflect on who introduced you to Safety and/or the ASSE....Make sure you take the time to thank them.

#wiifme #areyouwiifme

See you at the next monthly meeting... Register at AZ.ASSE.ORG and Lunch is on me!

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Crystalline Silica Update: New Requirements, Enforcement Issues and Proactive Strategies

The federal OSHA Crystalline Silica standard is scheduled to take effect on 9/23/17 (for construction) and on 6/23/18 for general industry and maritime, and reduces the PEL to 50 ug/m3 -- an 80 percent reduction from the current construction and maritime limits. Despite legislative and litigation attempts to stall the rule, enforcement is commencing and the health findings in the final rule create both notice to employers and also affect causation issues in worker's compensation and third party tort actions involving conditions including cancer, silicosis, renal disease and auto-immune disorders.

Register at for the ASSE live webinar at:

<https://learn.asse.org/products/crystalline-silica-update-new-requirements-enforcement-issues-and-proactive-strategies>
