



AMERICAN SOCIETY OF
SAFETY PROFESSIONALS
Arizona Chapter

November 2018 Newsletter

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MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT



According to the BLS report in March 2018 fatal workplace injuries rose in both Arizona and in the US. While the latest data is not close to the record high year of 2000 where Arizona saw 118 fatal workplace injuries, it is far from the low of 55 in 1993. We, safety professionals, face constant challenges to engage our employees and co-workers to stay safe regardless of whether they are at home or at play.

In Arizona, 43% of the fatal injuries were from transportation related incidents. Exposure to harmful substances and violence, other injuries by persons or animals, and falls, slips, and trips account for the other 47% of the causes. Within each of these causes there are opportunities for safety professionals and co-

workers to prevent and eliminate the risk of these incidents from occurring by teaching and cultivating this phase within your companies/industries:

If you
See something
Say
something

Many times we see things before they happen and think to ourselves (wow someone could get hurt by that) and then we drive by or continue walking our pets and hope that someone else will rectify the situation. Unfortunately, there are no magic fairies who will do that for us. WE must be the ones who educate and influence those who need us most...Each other.

Stay Safe,

Jon

https://www.bls.gov/regions/west/news-release/fatalworkinjuries_arizona.htm

Upcoming Technical Meeting Information

It's a road trip!!! The November 2018 Arizona ASSP Meeting hits the road!

Each month we have safety society members from Northern Arizona that make the long drive down to Phoenix. This month, we are taking our meeting up north! Our safety professionals at Embry Riddle Aeronautical University (ERAU) will be hosting the meeting! There are a lot of special things planned, so block off your calendars, register for the meeting, make the drive up north, and join us for a fantastic time!

It all kicks off at 10:30 with networking and a visit by Ms. Karen Fann. Ms. Fann is the State Senator for Arizona District 1-Prescott. Ms. Fann is the owner and CEO of Fann Construction, a highway construction company specializing in the installation of guardrail and signs throughout the State of Arizona, which recently celebrated its 33rd business anniversary.

The technical meeting starts at 11:30. Our presentation this month will be by Mr. George Ruth and is titled "The Foundations of Construction Safety and Busting the 'Safety is Boring' Myth." Mr. Ruth is a former Safety Manager in the scaffolding industry with 18 years of experience. He is OSHA 500 certified and taught OSHA 10- and 30-hour courses for construction in the Phoenix area for 10 years. He now manages his own business in the equestrian industry and moved to Prescott, AZ for family and entrepreneurial opportunities.

Following the technical meeting at 12:30 we will have the opportunity to tour the Robertson Aircraft Accident Investigation Lab at ERAU.

The November program is sure to be worth your time! Join us up north!

[Click here to register](#)

OUR NEXT MEETING:
November Technical Meeting:

NOTE CHANGE IN LOCATION:
 Embry Riddle Aeronautical
 University - Prescott

Time: 10:30-1:00

Location: ERAU - Lower Hangar
 in the Student Union

10:30-11 - Karen Fann - State
 Senator for Arizont District 1

11:30-12:30 - Technical Meeting
Topic: The Foundations of
 Construction Safety and Busting
 the "Safety is Boring" Myth
Speaker: George Ruth

12:30-1:15 - Tour of [Robertson
 Aircraft Accident Investigation
 Laboratory](#)

[Click here to register](#)

Arizona OSH NEWS

Committee Volunteer Positions Available: ARIZONA ASSP NEEDS YOUR HELP!

Our chapter is as successful as our volunteers....

The best way to get the most out of your membership is to participate....

Committee participation has many benefits including networking with outstanding safety professionals and giving back to our safety community....

You've heard it all before. You know it's all true! Jump in and join us!

Our chapter has the following committee openings:

Membership Liaison:
 Community Outreach:
 Newsletter:
 Foundation:

SAVE THE DATE:
December Technical Meeting

In December our meetings will return to
 the regular time and location.

December 7, 2018

11:30am-1:00pm

Gateway Community College,
 Building SO

[Click here to register](#)

Arizona ASSP Monthly Meeting Chair/Special Events/Volunteer Coordinator Named NSC 2018 Rising Star of Safety



Brandon Wiseman, 37
Corporate Safety Manager
Swire Coca-Cola USA
Tempe, AZ

“Brandon led the Phoenix facility (600 employees) to remarkable safety improvements. Using Six Sigma methodologies, Brandon helped to diagnose and tackle the most common injuries. In addition, he led the charge to understand employee perceptions of safety through surveys and focus groups. With that knowledge, Brandon led grassroots teams to change culture through projects and initiatives focused around the employee. Phoenix saw a 91 percent reduction in warehouse injuries and 68 percent reduction in driver injuries.

UPCOMING EVENTS

ASSE Events

November Technical Meeting
November 2, 2018
10:30 AM – 1:00 PM

Other Events

Arizona Distracted Driving Summit
Date: January 23, 2019
Location: Phoenix, AZ

Embry Riddle Aeronautical University,
Prescott, AZ

Info: <http://www.drivesmartarizona.com/>

Info: <https://az.assp.org/events/november-technical-meeting/>

See more events [here](#)

December Technical Meeting

December 7, 2018

11:30-1:00

Gateway Community College

Phoenix, AZ

Info: <https://az.assp.org/events/december-technical-meeting-2/>

ASSP SeminarFest Safety Training

January 25-31, 2019

Las Vegas, NV

Info: <http://seminarfest.assp.org/>



Support AZ WISE - Making Strides of Phoenix

Support AZ WISE through joining our team or making a donation at Making Strides Breast Cancer Walk of Phoenix.

Making Strides Breast Cancer Walk
Saturday, October 27, 2018
Tempe Beach Park in Tempe

To join our team or donate search: AZWISE



[Read more](#)

MEMBERSHIP UPDATES

New Members

- Greg Edling - Member
- Steven Sheets - Member
- Nicole Thunich - Member
- April Larsen - Student

Long Service Recognition of Chapter Members

- Daniel Shepherd, 20 years
- Clifford Shields, 20 years
- Anthony Alongi, 15 years
- Harrison Whitman, 10 years
- Joseph Zaleski, 10 years
- John Gubser, 10 years

Current Job Openings

See all posted jobs on the [Arizona ASSP website](#).



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