Hi all, election time is upon us...check out the newsletter for your slate of candidates...no joke!

President's Letter

April edition

So they say it's spring, as I write this the snow on the walkway says otherwise. Hope you are thinking warm thoughts and finding green slivers of new foliage peeking up through the snow.

We hope you are energized with newfound vigor as we begin to wind down the 2014-2015 chapter year - our 65th as a matter of fact. In March, we enjoyed an update on Infrastructure and Utility Contract Safety from Tom Barilich in preparation for the start of construction season in Chicago. Many thanks to Tom for refreshing our knowledge on a subject commonly encountered in many renovation projects.

This month we have a new concept that we hope will become a tradition for our chapter. We have invited our student section to present their projects that they plan on submitting to the Professional Development Conference. We are encouraging attendees to interact with the students and offer constructive input on their presentations. In honor of this joint venture and in celebration of our 65th anniversary, we will be drawing two names from the spring basket for $50 gift cards. Do you feel lucky?

We still have openings for volunteers. Please feel free to contact Ryan, myself or any available board member. We have plenty of ideas and want to hear yours too!

• April 14, 2015: Luncheon meeting at Cucina Biagio in Harwood Heights, IL. Our Student Chapter will be presenting their projects for our review. Make it a date to learn more about trending issues through the eyes of budding safety professionals and offer them much needed professional feedback. Don't forget to drop your business card in the basket for a gift card drawing (must be present to win).

• May 12, 2015: Tour of NIPSTA in Glenview, IL. Join us for an updated tour of the Northeastern Illinois Public Safety Training Academy. Bob Lahey will show us the facility and the most recent additions to the Academy. An informal luncheon will be served;
advance reservations are required. We will also vote for our new board at this meeting. Mark it on your calendar today!!

- June 16, 2015: End of the chapter year celebration at Cucina Biagio in Harwood Heights, IL. Join us for networking, bid our outgoing board adieu and welcome our new officers. Program to be determined.

Don't forget we will be voting on our new board members at the May meeting. Be sure and join us at the tour of NIPSTA and cast your vote. The officer slate is as follows:

- President: Ryan Mannion
- First Vice President: Liz McLean
- Second Vice President: vacant
- Treasurer: Neil Silins
- Secretary: Roger Hancock
- Delegates: Linda Hiser and Tim Murphy

Thank you for your continued membership in the Greater Chicago Chapter. We look forward to your input and participation. Don't forget to visit the chapter website (www.aschgo.org) for any questions on locations or dates for future meetings.

I can be contacted at kblbaskt@comcast.net with questions or comments; happy spring in Chicago!

**Upcoming Meetings**

- April Meeting - Student Chapter - Current trends in safety
- May Meeting - NIPSTA tour ***Change in Location*** 2300 Patriot Blvd - Glenview, IL
- June Meeting - Networking

All meetings - unless otherwise specified are at the following times and location.

- 11:30 Networking
- 12:00 Lunch
- 1:00 Presentation

Cucina Biagio
7319 W Lawrence Ave
Harwood Heights, IL 60706
ERGONOMIC SEMINAR FOR SAFETY PROFESSIONALS AND SUPERVISORS/MANAGERS
PRESENTED BY
NORTHEASTERN ILLINOIS (NEIL) CHAPTER OF ASSE

Everyone knows how important and difficult it is to control soft tissue injuries in a workplace. This seminar is designed to offer some practical hands on solutions from industry specialists on first of all how to prevent these injuries from occurring in the first place. An ergonomist will discuss various risk factors and how these can be measured and reduced by using some simple techniques. Athletico managers will discuss how they assess injured worker and the work place to minimize ergonomic issues, treat injured worker so he/she returns to full duty as soon as practical. In spite of taking precaution, injuries occur and employees sue for damages. Mark will discuss workers compensation laws and how it affects employers in managing the soft tissue injuries. Send in your difficult to manage cases, we will select four of them and the participants will offer in a Round Table Brain Storming session recommendations for your review and action.

Agenda

8.30 -- 9.00 AM Introduction - Michael Saujani, President
9.00 --10.00 AM Introduction to Ergonomics Task Analysis and Measurement - Eric White, CIH

10:00 - 10.15AM Coffee Break
10.15 -- 11.15 AM Importance of Ergonomic Assessment and Physical Therapy in Early Return to Work -- Tim Foulks, & Jacquelyn Hendrix
11.15 -- 12.15 PM Legal Aspect of Managing Soft Tissue Injuries -- Mark Lies. JD
12:15 - 1:00 PM Lunch
1.00 -- 2.00 PM Brain Storm solutions -- Four Cases
Closing Remarks

Presenter Bios
Eric White, MPH, CIH is a Director of Industrial Hygiene Services, Greater Chicago Area for Gallagher Bassett Services, Inc. Eric specializes in industrial hygiene services including assessment of ergonomic exposures
Tim Foulks is an Ergonomics/Job Analysis Manager for Athletico in its corporate office working with various physical therapy in providing value added service to it customer in job analysis and control of ergonomic issues
Jacquelyn Hendrix, PT, DPT, LMT is involved in working with the patient, assessing their injuries, evaluating various treatment options, monitoring treatment provided and making sure the physical
therapy has positive results.
Mark Lies, JD is a partner in the law firm of Seyfarth Shaw specializing in employee injuries.
Space is limited so register today!
ERGONOMIC SEMINAR FOR SAFETY PROFESSIONALS AND SUPERVISORS/MANAGERS PRESENTED BY NORTHEASTERN ILLINOIS (NEIL) CHAPTER OF ASSE
Venue
Maggianos  
1901 E Woodfield Road  
Schaumburg, IL 60173  
Phone: 847--240--1600

Date  
Friday May 15, 2015  
Time (Registration starts at 8.15 am) Start Time: 8.30 am  
End Time: 2.00 pm  
Price  
$59.00  
Register Online  
http://neil.asse.org/events/?ee=8

Candidate Slate  
2015-2016 GCC Slate of Candidates

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Hope you can make it on the 14th. Have a great month and enjoy the Masters.

Sincerely,

Tim Murphy - Newsletter Editor  
Greater Chicago Chapter ASSE