



# SAFETY EMPHASIS

“SAFETY THROUGH EDUCATION”

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It gives me great pleasure to announce John Sallak as our first speaker of the new ASSE year on September 16, 2002 at the Sweetbrier Inn during our first Luncheon meeting. Mr. Sallak of the Oregon Trucking Association will present: “Trucking Safety in light of Terrorist Activity”. The presentation is an encapsulation of a program to be presented to trucking groups across the country. This will be an especially poignant and timely subject. Our meeting date will be only a few days past the one-year mark of the terrible events of 9/11 in New York.

Our world has changed. Safety professionals must continue to learn about a very wide spectrum of subject areas. This presentation will truly be timely and informative.

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**NEW MEETING LOCATION:** Sweetbrier Inn, 7125 SW Nyberg Rd, Tualatin

**11:00 AM - 11:30 AM Networking and Registration**

**11:30 AM - 12:00 PM Buffet Service**

**12:00 PM - 1:30 PM Speaker**

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**Next Meeting: September 16, 2002**

**Contact Mike Benjamin if you have any questions  
at 503/628-246, or benji473@aol.com**

## Executive Committee Summary

The CWC Executive Committee met on June 25, 2002. The following is brief summary of the content of the meeting.

## Treasurer Report

Ken Greenhill provided a financial update. Please check the ASSE CWC Website for more information.

## Section Reports

### Mt St.Helens - No Report

### Santiam

**Charlie Crawford** announced that the Section meeting was on July 9<sup>th</sup>. Guest speakers were **Donna Andrew-Tuthill** and **Jeremy Furgerson**. The topic was “**Critical Incident Control**” (Change of

Seasons Restaurant at 7:15 am). The PDC is Sept. 20, 2002 and the topic is “**Accident Analysis**” at the Roth Convention Center in West Salem. One of the conference’s highlights include a murder mystery group performing a modified accident investigation.

## Committee Reports

## Student Sections

**Mark Hopkins** reported that Anthony Velti is promoting OSU’s Safety Program by offering local industries the opportunity to sponsor core safety courses (construction and general occupational). As of last month over half of the safety courses had sponsors. Mark suggested that the Chapter sponsor a core safety course at a cost of \$2500. Mark anticipates that the student section will require approximately \$500 seed money for 2002/2003.

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*Our Success as a Chapter  
depends on the Participation of our  
Volunteers!*

## Safety Emphasis

Barbara Agnon indicated that there will be no June issue. Safety Emphasis' material and articles are due by July 5<sup>th</sup>. To receive an electronic copy of the Safety Emphasis, contact Eric Becker at [ASSECWC@hotmail.com](mailto:ASSECWC@hotmail.com) or [eric.v.becker@fritolay.com](mailto:eric.v.becker@fritolay.com). Direct mailing changes to Donna Ritter at 503/640-6079, [donalds60@aol.com](mailto:donalds60@aol.com).

## Program & Professional Development

CWC-Dave Parsons, Dan Sabatino and Mike Benjamin has met, transferred information and review topics and speakers and topics. With input from our membership, topics for lunch meeting and brown bag luncheons will be focus more towards safety management, presentation skills and general industry. For topic or speaker referrals, contact: Mike Benjamin at 503/628-2846, or [benji473@aol.com](mailto:benji473@aol.com).

## Safety Summit (CSS)

Kim Gamble outlined monthly topics up through November. June-Brenda Pittman, ODOT, results associated with her "Hearing Protection Grant". Up coming topics include: July-Washington's Ergonomics Update, Aug.- "Steel Erection", Sept.-Results of Frank Upham "Bracing Masonry Walls Grant", Oct.-"Silica", and Nov.-"Effect of Stress on the Workforce". Washington has adopted a requirement of 200 square inch of reflected materials on work vest of road way construction workers.

## Membership

Dan Sabatino received membership survey's indicating a preference for a breakfast or lunch meeting. There is concern that changing from a dinner meeting will impact atten-

dance by student members and members from commuting from Salem. Dan would like to continue the member survey's. Survey committee members include: Donna Ritter, Dan Sabatino, Barbara Augon, Karen Blythe, Phil Lemons, Dave Parsons, and John Remmers. Donna Ritter is still working on updating changes in membership mailing addresses.

## Job Placement

Mike Benjamin has been researching job opportunities on web sites and newspapers. He has also contacted headhunters and individual industries. Mike is requesting an assistant and job leads. Forward job announcements to Mike Benjamin at 503/628-2846, or [benji473@aol.com](mailto:benji473@aol.com).

## Communications-No Report

Mike Benjamin would like to champion a CSP/ASP refresher course. Intel has offer to host the training. Dave Parsons is prepared to hold a New Membership Orientation. Mike Benjamin and Dave Parsons to coordinate a date and time.

## New Member Orientation

Dave Parsons will work with Mike Benjamin to schedule a orientation for September.

## GOSH Conference (2002/2003)

A motion was accepted to transfer \$2000 from the ASSE checking account to the GOSH checking account to assist with up front cost of implementing on line registration. Repayable within six months. Dan Sabatino can be contacted at Ph/FAX: 503/699-0550, [safetyrm0550@msn.com](mailto:safetyrm0550@msn.com).

## Scholarships

Mark Hopkins announced that Sarah West of Central Washington University, is the recipient of the \$1500 Walter Thorsell Scholarship. The Leadership

Scholarship was not awarded. Mark Hopkins recommends adding an additional six thousand dollars to the endowment fund to cover future short falls in interest rates.

## Government Affairs

Bruce Poinsette said that a hearing on Proposed Changes to Subpart 3/R Steel Erection and Subpart 3/M Fall Protection was scheduled for June 26<sup>th</sup>. Legislative Capital Coffee Break is scheduled for 2002/2003.

## Installation Banquet

The banquet was very successful, everyone who was available to attend had a wonderful time. Unfortunately, due to the size of the boat there was limited availability. The Chapter apologized to all those members who wanted to attend and could not be accommodated. A special thank you to our gift sponsors.

## Drive Safely Work Week

Welcome to the 2002 Drive Safely Work Week (DSWW) campaign! This year's campaign theme is "drive focused stay safe... and keep America's workforce safe on the road" and addresses drowsy, distracted, alcohol impaired and aggressive driving; the risky driving behaviors often associated with the "roads more traveled". By taking an active role in the Drive Safely Work Week 2002 campaign, October 7-11, your organization demonstrates a commitment to improving the safety and health of your employees by emphasizing the importance of driving safely both on and off the job. With our nation's roadways becoming more congested, with drivers experiencing anxiety, stress, fatigue, and numerous personal and work-related distractions, it's increasingly important for the Ameri-

can business community to make traffic safety a priority.

**For more information, contact**  
Marsh Ryan 503-986-4201

### **2003 GOSH Awards**

By: Karen Blythe & Lee Briney  
Awards Committee Co-Chairs

Honor your company or employee who make an extraordinary contribution to workplace safety and health. The Awards committee for the 2003 GOSH conference is accepting nominations for awards in five categories: Employer Awards, Safety Committee Awards, Individual Awards, Association Awards and Lifesaving Awards. These prestigious awards will be presented at the Awards Luncheon at the 2003 GOSH conference March 5. Nomination forms are available at [www.orosha.org](http://www.orosha.org) or [www.assecwc.org](http://www.assecwc.org) or by calling 888.292.5247, option 1 or Karen Blythe 503.665.1149. Nominations must be received by October 18, 2002.

### **Brown Bag Lunch - September 2002**

Walter Want will provide one of his very informative fall protection presentations at our first Brown Bag lunch meeting. The presentation will be held at the Hoffman trailer complex at Intel Ronler Acres. The presentation will be held on September 6, 2002 from 11:30 to 1 PM. Bon Appetite will provide box lunches. Lunches will be \$8.50. Contact Mike Benjamin for ordering a lunch and choices of sandwiches. You may bring your own lunch! I will need a list of those persons wishing to attend the presentation, and a list of those persons, who will want to order a lunch. Payment for lunch will need to be made in advance. I will need both lists no later than August 21, 2002. Contact Mike Benjamin at 503-628-2846 or e-mail: [benji473@aol.com](mailto:benji473@aol.com)

### **Joint Venture with OR-OSHA**

An opportunity to make available safety awareness to the general public was opened to the ASSE recently through a joint venture with OR-OSHA at a Portland Beavers vs. New Orleans Zephyrs baseball game at PGE Park held here in Portland on August 5th.



ASSE members John Remmers, Walter Want and Dan Sabatino manned the ASSE booth to give interested attendees information on safe driving skills, in conjunction with NIOSH, information regarding the upcoming Governors Occupational Safety & Health Conference (GOSH), and



free key holders with the ASSE logo displayed. Well over a hundred key chains were distributed with members describing the benefits of membership in the ASSE..

Walter Want set up a mobile fall protection demonstration providing attendees with information on the dynamics of what can happen as a result of a fall from elevation.

A special thanks to Past President, Barbara Augon for coordinating this effort as

part of the ASSE's ongoing outreach program to impact safety at every level in the community. The presentation was a wonderful success.



### **Scholarships**

The chapter scholarship committee selected Ms. Sarah West attending Central Washington University as the 2002 Walter G. Thorsell Memorial Scholarship recipient. Sarah was awarded \$1,500. Sarah and Joe Price, CWU EHS professor, have been invited to attend our September members meeting to receive our chapter's congratulations.

The ASSE Leadership Scholarship was not awarded this year.

### **Website of the Month**

Center for Research on Occupational and Environmental Toxicology (CROET)

The CROET website serves as a major source of occupational safety and health information for working Oregonians. Designed as a resource directory, it contains links to hundreds of pages of information focusing on day-to-day health and safety issues in the workplace. Information is categorized by occupation and industry as well as by topic.

If you haven't visited the CROET website lately, please take another look. It has been completely redesigned as of July 7.

## Key Dates to Remember September

3	Tues	Santiam Section Meeting – Change of Seasons 7:15 AM
4	Wed	Mt. St. Helens E Board Meeting Red Lion Kelso Noon
5 - 6	Thur/Fri	ROC – Alaska
6	Fri	CWC Brown Bag Lunch Series
16	Mon	Chapter Lunch Meeting –Sweetbrier Inn 11:30 AM
19	Thurs	Mt. St. Helens Section Meeting – Red Lion Kelso 7:30
20	Fri	Santiam Section PDC
24	Tues	CWC E – Committee – Elmers 7:30
24	Tues	CSS BD Meeting Quizmo's 10:30
24	Tues	CSS Masonry Wall Bracing During Construction –JJ Norths 11 :30

## October

1	Tues	Santiam Section Meeting Change of Seasons 7:15 AM
2	Wed	Mt. St. Helens E Board Meeting Red Lion Kelso Noon
4	Fri	CWC Brown Bag Lunch Series
14	Mon	Chapter Lunch Meeting –Sweetbrier Inn 11:30
17	Thurs	Mt. St. Helens Section Meeting – Red Lion Kelso 7:30
22	Tues	CWC E – Committee – Elmers 7:30
22	Tues	CSS BD Meeting Quizmo's 10:30
22	Tues	CSS Silica in Construction – JJ Norths 11:30

## November

1	Fri	CWC Brown Bag Lunch Series
5	Tues	Santiam Section Meeting – Change of Seasons 7:15 AM
6	Wed	Mt. St. Helens E – Board Meeting – Red Lion Kelso Noon
11	Mon	Chapter Lunch Meeting –Sweetbrier Inn 11:30
21	Mon	Mt. St. Helens Section Meeting – Red Lion Kelso 7:30
26	Tues	CWC E – Committee – Elmers 7:30
26	Tues	CSS BD Meeting Quizmo's 10:30
26	Tues	Stress: The Cocaine of Corporate America – JJ Norths 11:30

### A Word from Our President...

Welcome to the ASSE Columbia Willamette Chapter 2002/2003 Program year. As incoming President it always a challenge to improve upon the success' of your predecessors, with that in mind I quote Dirty Harry "...a man (person) has got to know his limitations..." The success of any leader is only as significant as those that participate. My focus is to:

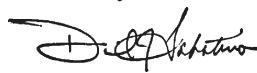
- 1.) Challenge members to come up with their own better ways to do their chapter activities.
- 2.) Seek out ideas from everyone, not those that have direct involvement with the leadership.
- 3.) Treat members with honesty and respect. Not dictate to them. If they are not going to have their ideas enacted, explain the reasons that underlie a decision or policy.
- 4.) Spread authority around. If the largest part of the pyramid is to be at the top, the top people should have the authority. (That's **you**, the members...)

These are time-tested axioms of success in business and I trust in them to take the ASSE-CWC to greater heights as the leading safety organization in the community.

With that I am looking forward to an exciting term as your President. The move to allow greater access to participation in Chapter functions is the first step. We have long wondered how to make Chapter meetings more accessible to our members...well starting with our first meeting of the new-year; we are moving to a lunch meeting at The Sweetbrier located at the junction of I-5 and I-205. Many of you said that downtown and dinner was out of the question, so how about joining us for lunch?

Quote for the Safety Professional..."If you think you're too small to make a difference, you haven't been in bed with a mosquito." *Anita Roddick*

Sincerely,



Daniel J. Sabatino

President ASSE – Columbia Willamette Chapter



### Safety Emphasis

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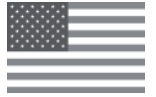
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# Construction Safety Summit

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## Meeting Notice

The next meeting of the ASSE Columbia Willamette Chapter Construction Safety Summit has been scheduled for:

**August 27, 2002**

**Meeting Agenda:**

11:30 am Lunch

11:45 – 12:00 Introductions and Announcement

12:00 – 3:00 Training Topic

**Speaker(s)/Topic:**

**Steel Erection Standard**

The scope of 1926.750 is quite broad and has implications for many contractors that do not consider themselves to be involved in steel erection. In addition to the companies involved in the erection process, the standard has requirements for general or prime contractors, project engineers, fabricators and manufacturers.

Craig Hamelund from OR-OSHA and Ken Greenhill from the Associated General Contractor's Association will present information and training that will put the regulation into an understandable format. It will provide many good examples (photos/sketches) of the various aspects of the regulation and the Oregon program directive.

**JJ North's Grand Buffet**

10520 NE Halsey, Portland, Oregon

(NE 105<sup>th</sup> & Halsey)

All ASSE Construction Safety Summit Meetings are open to anyone interested or involved in construction safety. ASSE membership is not required to attend.

Contact Kimberly Gamble at Andersen Construction, (503) 240-3998 extension 127 for more information. To add someone to the mailing list please fax the information to 503 220-5321 or email to [stans@e-c-co.com](mailto:stans@e-c-co.com)

**Upcoming Meetings:**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Topic</b>	<b>Anticipated Speaker(s)</b>
September 24, 2002	Masonry Wall Bracing During Construction	Frank Upham, SD Deacon
October 22, 2002	Silica in Construction	University of Washington
November 26, 2002	Stress: The Cocaine of Corporate America	Lennie Mess

\* Denotes Three (3) Hour Training

The ASSE Columbia-Willamette Chapter Construction Safety Summit Steering Committee meets prior to each meeting at 10:30 am at the Quizmo's in the Gateway Fred Meyer parking lot on the corner of NE Halsey & NE 102<sup>nd</sup>. These meetings are open to any ASSE or Summit Member. The steering committee invites open participation.