



AMERICAN SOCIETY OF SAFETY PROFESSIONALS

Los Angeles Chapter



THE LOS ANGELES CHAPTER OF ASSP:

is dedicated to promoting the safety profession through increased public awareness and providing opportunities for networking and professional growth. To become a member, please contact one of our [Chapter Officers](#).

AUGUST 2020 NEWSLETTER

The Society President's Message, Deb Roy:

[Stay the Course for Public Health](#)

Aug 03, 2020

Deborah R. Roy, M.P.H., R.N., CSP, COHN-S, CIT, FASSP, FAAOHN,
2020-2021 ASSP President

President's Message:

ASSP President Deb Roy shares how OSH professionals have a unique opportunity to significantly impact the community of workers under their care



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The Chapter President's Message, Tim Melvin:

President's Message:

Greeting, Los Angeles Chapter Members –

First and foremost, I sincerely hope this message finds you in good health. The pandemic has evolved to a point where many of know someone who has been personally afflicted with COVID-19, and many, if not all of us, are indirectly suffering through the anxiety, anguish, and disruption to our way of life. As safety and health professionals, it can be very difficult “switch off” from our mission to protect those around us – in the workplace, in the home, and in public – often resulting in mental and physical fatigue. ASSP has been providing ongoing guidance and resources to its members throughout this pandemic, [which can be found here](#) – however, please do reach out if we can further support you in any way.

On a more positive note, I would like to extend my heartfelt gratitude to our Past President, Dolores Salman, along with the rest of the 2019/20 Executive Committee, for bringing a renewed vision to our Chapter and ensuring its continuous improvement and delivery of membership value. As we look forward, we want to hear from you, our members, as to the direction you would like to see us going. If you have not already done so, please complete our [Chapter membership survey](#) to provide your feedback, allowing us to continue learning, advancing, and improving our Chapter.

In my brief time with the Chapter, beginning as a volunteer in 2018, we have undergone significant transformation within our leadership team – in fact, 14 board members serving alongside me this year have joined within that time! The new board brings unique perspective, fresh ideas, heaps of energy, and many years of experience. As we pivot to a primarily “virtual” year, we will do our utmost to ensure we deliver an exciting and informational events Program, incorporating “digital networking” opportunities wherever possible. To keep abreast of these events, please keep an eye on our [Chapter website](#) and follow us on [LinkedIn](#), [Twitter](#), and [Facebook](#).

Thank you for the opportunity to lead this remarkable Chapter, thank you for all you do to protect people, and I hope to “see” as many of you as possible throughout the year ahead.



Greetings to New Members:

We want to take a moment to recognize all our new members -especially during such trying and uncertain times. As a professional membership body, we pledge to connect and create a strong community for peers within this pressing industry. For those who have just joined: welcome, and for those who have extended leadership and service: thank you. For those interested, check out our process below. ASSP chapter communities provide accessible, face-to-face and virtual opportunities for ASSP members to become better safety professionals.

Become A New Member:

General Membership is under \$200 per year!

Students can join for only \$15/year and receive a free year membership upon your graduation!

As an ASSP member, you will elevate your career; gain knowledge, tools, and resources to prevent worker injuries, illnesses and fatalities; help improve your company's performance; and become part of a vibrant community of over 37,000 safety professionals working together for a safer, stronger future.

Complete the Membership application at:

<https://www.assp.org/membership/apply-to-join>



Members of Long Service:

- Jay W. Preston
- Gloria A. Teper
- Ronald Y. Shintaku
- Steven M. Lemaster
- Fay F. Feeney
- Donald L. Kramer

THANK YOU!

We want to hear from you!

In an effort to continue to provide membership value, the ASSP Los Angeles Chapter would like to learn more about the needs and interests of our members. Please take our 10-minute, 12-question survey, and provide any further comments on how we can continue to improve. Using the feedback from this membership survey, we aim to deliver an exciting and informational events Program of webinars, meetings, and technical talks. We also plan to better understand the demographics of our Chapter, how best to engage with our members, and how we can offer career and networking opportunities.

To participate in the survey, please follow this link:

<https://asspla.survey.fm/membership-outreach-jul-2020>



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Programs & Events

Title/Topic: National Safety Stand-Down to Prevent Falls in Construction-Leading Edge in Fall Protection

Sponsor: ASSP LA Chapter Programs Chair

Type: Technical

Date: Friday, September 18, 2020 | 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM PST

Speaker: Tim Metzger, Trainer for 3M Fall Protection



Title/Topic: Opening Communication and Mentorship through Generational Differences

Sponsor: ASSP LA Chapter Mentorship Program

Type: Professional/Career Development

Date: Tuesday, September 29, 2020 | 8:30 AM - 9:30 AM PST

Speaker: Wyatt Bradbury, CSP, ASP, CHST, CIT



Title/Topic: 7 Insights into Safety Leadership

Sponsor: ASSP LA Chapter Programs Chair

Type: Leadership/Safety Culture

Date: Tuesday, November 17, 2020 | 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM PST

Speaker: David Libby, Partner, Krause Bell Group



...and so much more to come!

Link to Events Page: <https://la.assp.org/event/>



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JOB # 1: Manager, Safety

Location : Chatsworth or Van Nuys

Position Overview:

The ideal Safety Manager candidate will have a proven track record of success in developing, managing, and leading environmental, health, and safety programs. The right candidate will demonstrate success in the development and through leading of various training programs to address EHS risk. The oversight of audit systems to improve EHS programs will be the current responsibility of the ideal candidate. He/she will have experience in leading accident investigations, safety meetings, and will bring comprehensive experience implementing environmental compliance programs, including waste management, water, and air. The right candidate will bring current leadership experience with excellent communication, organizational, and multi-tasking skills to manage the market area and a Safety team. The position will be responsible for managing Workers Comp, Auto Liability, and Defensive Driving.

More on Spectrum:

The Spectrum brands (including Spectrum Networks, Spectrum Enterprise and Spectrum Reach) are powered and innovated by Charter Communications. Charter Communications reaffirms its commitment to providing equal opportunities for employment and advancement to qualified employees and applicants. Individuals will be considered for positions for which they meet the minimum qualifications and are able to perform without regard to race, color, gender, age, religion, disability, national origin, veteran status, sexual orientation, gender identity, or any other basis protected by federal, state or local laws.

To apply, please follow the link: <https://bit.ly/SftyMgrVNCHT>



JOB # 2: Safety Specialist

Location : Anaheim

Position Overview:

The ideal candidate will have had success in implementing company environmental, health, and safety programs and procedures at multi-sites to minimize and eliminate risk associated with work practices. This position requires the ability to make an impact and be inspired to perform well by the ability to contribute to the success of a project and the organization. The Safety Specialist works closely with local Field Operations, Retail, ISP, and Sales department to ensure that all employees are working within safety policies, procedures, and Federal and local regulations. (i.e. OSHA, CalOSHA, EPA, DTSC, CUPA, DOT, NFPA, ANSI, etc). The position will be responsible for accident data compilation, abatement, record keeping, safety communication, and awareness, and field system(s) audits. The ideal candidate will have a BS degree in EHS, or similar area of study preferred.

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To apply, please follow the link: <https://bit.ly/SafetySpecialistAnaheim>



JOB #3: Senior Risk Control

Manager

JOBS

Sedgwick is a premier provider of insurance, risk management, alternative risk, pool administration and claims management solutions to clients across hundreds of industries. We firmly believe that our colleagues drive the success of the company. With success in mind as the ultimate goal, we strive to create and provide an environment that offers challenging, stimulating and financially rewarding opportunities.

Job Description:

If you have 5-10 years of experience as a risk control consultant specializing in Cal/OSHA compliance and training and would like to join one of the premier teams in the industry, we are looking for someone with your level of expertise. Come be part of Sedgwick Risk Control Services, an exclusive group of 16 safety professionals who are passionate and successful about what they do.

Responsibilities:

- Conduct on-site physical hazard inspections
- Conduct client on-site safety training in areas such as injury and illness prevention, hazard communication, heat illness prevention, driver safety, etc.
- Perform on-site ergonomic assessment evaluations
- Provide direction and assistance to clients with customizing various safety programs to ensure they are feasible, effectively implemented, and in compliance with regulatory requirements
- Write effective and concise communications to apprise clients of new or timely safety information
- Travel within California up to 60% of the time with some travel requiring overnight stays

Desired Skills

The desired candidate should have strong technical and consultative skills with experience working with public schools or public entities. Exceptional writing skills, communication skills, and dedication to customer service are essential, since this position will interact frequently with clients, brokers, or boards of director staff. Professional certifications are desired such as Certified Safety Professional (CSP), Associate Safety Professional (ASP), Associate in Risk Management (ARM), or Certified Ergonomic Assessment Specialist (CEAS).

If you are a risk control professional at a joint powers authority or insurance company or have a background as a safety officer/director within an organization or public agency, we would welcome the opportunity to speak with you. This position requires solid presentation skills, possessing the confidence to deliver training sessions to large groups of people. This is a remote based position based in Southern California. Up to 60% travel within California is required, and some travel requires overnight stays.



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Chapter News:

We are so excited to introduce to you our [ASSP Los Angeles Chapter Board](#) for 2020 - 2021! We have some great [events](#) planned for the coming months, follow us to make sure you stay informed!

We also want to meet the other ASSP Boards virtual! Officially challenging you to create your own #MeetTheBoard video!

<https://www.linkedin.com/feed/update/urn:li:activity:6697553337287622656/>

Return to Work Considerations During COVID-19 Pandemic -- July Webinar Presented by 3M

Thank you for attending the July webinar.

- 3M Presentation PDF – [Back to Work Safely Webinar – Respirators FINAL](#)
- [3M PELTOR Communicate from a Distance Flyer – preventing-skin-breakdown-with-ppe](#)
- Recording link to YouTube video of the webinar presentation:
<https://youtu.be/ucDwoNmyzic>

Webinar from the Bakersfield Chapter's Hispanic Safety Professional Group:

Join the Fight! [The American Society of Safety Professionals \(ASSP\)](#), will be hosting a webinar produced by the Hispanic Safety Professionals (CIG) Bakersfield Chapter (<https://bit.ly/ASSPHSP>)

Really informative news from bilingual and bicultural #safety and health professionals, "The Fight Against #COVID19: Understanding and Addressing Cultural Challenges Among Hispanic Populations."

This will cover topics from illness prevention to how cultural beliefs and faith can help people combat and cope with the virus. [Carmen Julia Castellon](#), [ASP Jose A. Perez](#), [CSHM](#), [SMS](#), [OHST](#), [CIT](#), [CHST](#)

<https://register.gotowebinar.com/register/4591722594036557328>



Society News:

[ASSP Launches Diversity, Equity & Inclusion Task Force](#)

Aug 01, 2020

ASSP is establishing a board-level task force to help clearly define our goals for diversity, equity and inclusion.

[Nominations Now Open for 2021 ASSP Leadership Positions](#)

Aug 01, 2020

ASSP is now accepting nominations for various leadership positions in the 2021 Society elections.

[ASSP's COVID-19 Resources Help Workers Return to Jobsites](#)

Aug 01, 2020

ASSP's COVID-19 resource web page helps workers return to the workplace

[Members Honored by CSU](#)

Aug 01, 2020

Columbia Southern University (CSU) has honored Eric Summons, CSP, ASP, CHST, SMS, CIT, STSC, as its 2020 Outstanding Safety Professional of the Year award. Member Bill Toms was also recognized as runner-up.

[How Are You Participating in Safe + Sound Week?](#)

Aug 01, 2020

The Safe + Sound Week Campaign is a nationwide event to raise awareness of the value of safety and health programs, and improve understanding about the core elements of those programs.

[Culbertson Award Recognizes Outstanding Service to ASSP](#)

Jul 01, 2020

The Charles V. Culbertson Outstanding Volunteer Service Award recognizes ASSP board members, committee members or practice specialty officers who have provided outstanding volunteer service to the Society in the past year.

[Advance Your Safety Career with ASSP's Certificate Program](#)

Jun 01, 2020

ASSP's certificate program helps safety practitioners achieve greater success. Members and nonmembers alike can pursue three certificates to advance their OSH careers.



Society News:

[ASSP Recognizes Authors of Top Three PSJ Articles From 2019](#)

Jun 01, 2020

Each year, ASSP's Editorial Review Board recognizes the three best member-authored articles published in Professional Safety.

[ASSP Members & Communities Support COVID-19 Efforts](#)

Jun 01, 2020

As COVID-19 continues to affect everyone, ASSP members and communities are pulling together to help.

Survey Results:

Survey Says....

With preliminary results out we can deduce that our members prefer:

- Events in DTLA, SFC, San Gabriel, and South LA
- Timing is most convenient during dinner on the weeknights and breakfast on the weekends
- Educational & Technical Chapter meetings will be the most highly attended
- Email is the preferred way our members would like to stay in touch for chapter events and news

Give your input at: <https://asspla.survey.fm/membership-outreach-jul-2020>

About the Safety Industry Salary Survey:

Published every two to three years – in collaboration with [Board of Certified Safety Professionals](#) – the industry salary survey assesses the compensation trends of approximately 10,000 occupational safety and health (OSH) professionals. You can use this information to maximize your earning potential by:



- Correlating salary with experience, education and credentials so you can calculate your potential salary and gain insight on how to earn a higher salary
- Offering you a tool to share with your company leaders to prove your value, as well as highlight the importance of the safety profession and its role within any organization.

[Read our press release](#)

[Download the 2018 salary survey](#)

How Safety Professionals Can Earn Higher Pay

The salary survey consistently shows that occupational safety and health (OSH) professionals have higher earning potential not only if they have obtained a bachelor's degree or higher, but also have obtained one or more of the following certifications from other highly regarded OSH organizations:

- CSP or other BCSP certifications
- [CIH](#)
- CHMM or other IHMM certifications

While ASSP does not certify safety professionals with the above credentials, we offer top-quality [certification preparation courses](#) to help you pass the exams. Plus, you can use our numerous [continuing education offerings](#) to earn the credits you need to maintain your certifications.

[Prepare for your exam](#)

Interactive Salary Calculator

Populate the interactive salary calculator with your own personal data, like any OSH certifications you've obtained, your education level, years of experience, geographical location, employer size and more, to calculate your potential salary based on broader survey data.

[Calculate your potential earnings](#)



Updates & Government Affairs

With fires burning around California, we want to remind you to check the CalOSHA standard for "Protection from wildfire smoke"

(Cal/OSHA Title 8 CCR 5141 covers protection from wildfire smokes.

https://www.dir.ca.gov/title8/5141_1.html)

Here is the link to FAQ on N95 and wildfire smokes:

https://www.dir.ca.gov/dosh/dosh_publications/N95-mask-questions.pdf

Full article:

<https://la.assp.org/encounters-news/wildfire-smoke-respiratory-protection/>

CalJTS:

The Southern California Joint Technical Symposium was formed way back in the olden days of the 1980s when two Sections (Orange County and Southern California) of the American Industrial Hygiene Association (AIHA) held a joint meeting. These two small groups included a powerhouse of eminent environmental health and hygiene professionals who were willing to share their expertise with colleagues by providing short technical presentations.

In 2005, the Orange County Chapter of the American Society of Safety Professionals (ASSP) joined the AIHA sections, and brought a new class of professional to the JTS: The Safety Pro.

The event was held in Long Beach area until 2017, when the JTS outgrew local venues and moved to the Carson Community Center about 5 miles north. The JTS has grown organically and impressively to the Premier EHS Symposium of Southern California. Now two ASSP chapters (Long Beach and Orange County) as well as the founding AIHA sections continue to sponsor the JTS each year. With a diverse membership of over 1000 members, each year the sponsoring organizations of the JTS are proud to attract over 300 prominent practitioners and dozens of sponsoring companies and exhibitors representing the best in current technology and service to the EHS professionals.



The 2020 Joint Technical Symposium has been postponed due to COVID-19 Pandemic. Thank you for your understanding and support!

The 2021 Joint Technical Symposium is scheduled for Wednesday, October 20, 2021 in Carson, California.

FOR GENERAL INQUIRIES:
Email JTSCASSP@gmail.com

About ASSP & Common Interest Groups:

ASSP is a global association for occupational safety and health professionals. For more than 100 years, we have provided education, standards development, advocacy and a professional community to support the advancement of our members and the profession as a whole. Our members are dedicated to creating safe work environments by preventing workplace fatalities, injuries and illnesses. Sound safety practices are both socially responsible and good business, leading to increase productivity, a better reputation and higher employee satisfaction.

ASSP publishes [Professional Safety Journal](#): a flagship monthly journal and top member benefit covering the latest safety management and injury prevention trends.

Our more than 37,000 members are dedicated to making their workplaces safer and healthier, and the Bakersfield Chapter shares in their commitment.

ASSP 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.

ASSP produces a podcast now – Safety Standards and Tech Pubs Podcast will help you stay up to speed on the latest in industry consensus safety standards and technical publications.



Common Interest Groups:

For more informative news and helpful webinars, check out the ASSP website for membership opportunities. Common Interest Groups feature an even more in-depth connection with like-minded individuals in your area. Some featured programs are: Blacks in Safety Excellence, Women in Safety Excellence, and Hispanic Safety Professionals.

Specifically, regarding the HSP, the Hispanic Safety Professionals offer mentorship programs, workshops, and (virtual) social events for members of the community.

If you are interested in expanding your professional network of peers, look no further and see what we have to offer:

<https://www.assp.org/membership/communities/common-interest-groups/hispanic-safety-professionals>

If you are in the Greater Los Angeles area and interested in joining the Hispanic Safety Professionals community, please reach out:

Massimo.Navarretta@shirleyparsons.com

Practice Specialty Groups:

Take an Ergo Break -- You've probably been sitting this whole time!

- <https://vimeo.com/431427532/de8ce8cb15>
- <https://vimeo.com/431427587/b41d28521f>
- <https://vimeo.com/431426448/1a52548037>
- <https://vimeo.com/430861068/98c996fc9f>
- <https://vimeo.com/430861116/e4b2eafb77>
- <https://vimeo.com/430861177/0966808690>



Resources from our Ergonomics Group: Some fun videos above and webinars below:

(<https://la.assp.org/encounters-news/ergonomics-resources/>)

Webinar (Free and Available) COVID-19: Ergonomics During and After the Pandemic – ErgoPS to discuss via Zoom in a chapter meeting

<https://www.assp.org/resources/covid-19/webinars/covid-19-ergonomics-during-and-after-the-pandemic>

Webinar (Free and Available) Ergonomics is a Health and Safety Issue and Other Common Myths – ErgoPS to discuss via Zoom in a chapter meeting

<https://vimeo.com/367336115/42296671b3>

Read Article and Listen to Included Podcast – Three Ergonomics Tips to Improve Your Home Office - - ErgoPS to discuss via Zoom in a chapter meeting

<https://www.assp.org/news-and-articles/2020/07/23/three-ergonomics-tip-to-improve-your-home-office>



Coming this Fall:

Mentorship Programs – If you or a loved one would be interested in becoming involved with the ASSP LA Chapter at a mentor/mentee level, please look over the information attached:

(<https://www.assp.org/membership/communities/mentoring>)

Through mentoring, safety professionals can establish helpful relationships that enable both participants to learn, develop new skills, and grow professionally and personally.

The Value of Mentorship Programs – Whether you are looking for a formal or informal mentoring relationship, ASSP helps connect you to vast community of great people who can help you better navigate the safety profession and solidify your career path while forming lifelong friendships that can help you grow personally and professionally.



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