



Hello, Penn-Jersey, and welcome to the April 2017 newsletter. In this edition, you'll find information on the following:

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## President's Message to Chapter

Good Day Penn-Jersey,

Spring has finally sprung and we have rolled the clocks forward to additional evening daylight. For some industries, this means extended work days. It also means kids are playing outside longer. As we adjust to the extra light, and fair weather, be vigilant of your surroundings and ensure everyone gets home safe.

As has been tradition for many years, there will not be a Technical Meeting this month. We hope to see you next month as we close out the chapter year.

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Michael McGowan, CHMM  
President, ASSE Penn-Jersey

## What's New

### OSHA News:

Workers' Memorial Day is observed every year on April 28. It is a day to honor those workers who have died on the job, to acknowledge the grievous suffering experienced by families and communities, and to recommit ourselves to the fight for safe and healthful workplaces for all workers. It is also the day OSHA was established in 1971. Under the Occupational Safety and Health Act of 1970, employers are responsible for providing safe and healthful workplaces for their

workers. OSHA's role is to ensure these conditions for America's working men and women by setting and enforcing standards, and providing training, education and assistance.

Every year, events are held across the country to remember workers who have died on the job and honor them by continuing to fight for improved worker safety. Please check the link below to see what events are in your area. Also if you are not already doing something for Worker's Memorial Day there is still time to plan an event, send out an email, or just discuss why we need to ensure that every job is done safely.

<https://www.osha.gov/workersmemorialday/index.html>

### ASSE Local Chapter News::

Recently the Chapter sent out an email regarding three major items that are up for a vote at the June 2017 House of Delegates (HOD) Meeting in Denver, CO. The topic are branding recommendations which have two separate votes involved and the other for Society dues Increase. Please take a moment and read the email that was sent prior to this newsletter and also the links within this article.

Branding Recommendation: two separate votes will be heard.

1) Society Name change from American Society of Safety Engineers to the American Society of Safety Professionals. This change is to align the society to its participants (the majority of membership are safety Professionals, not safety Engineers). If the vote passes at the HOD, membership will also have to vote to approve the name change. If the vote fails at the HOD, the proposal will be voided.

2) In conjunction with the name change, Society is looking up update our Logo. This will be a separate vote. The logo change only requires HOD approval. Membership will not vote on this topic, hence the importance to let us know your thoughts before the HOD meeting. Supporting documentation for the above can be found at the following links:

[https://www.asse.org/assets/1/7/ASSE\\_Brand\\_Presentation\\_-\\_Chapters.pptx](https://www.asse.org/assets/1/7/ASSE_Brand_Presentation_-_Chapters.pptx)

[https://www.asse.org/assets/1/7/Brand\\_Evolution\\_-\\_Chapter\\_handouts.pdf](https://www.asse.org/assets/1/7/Brand_Evolution_-_Chapter_handouts.pdf)

Society Dues Increase:

The third vote will be on the proposed \$30 increase in Society dues. The increase will be implemented as a \$10 increase over the next 3 years. Supporting documentation on the dues increase can be found at the following links:

[https://www.asse.org/assets/1/7/Dues\\_Increase\\_Presentation\\_with\\_talking\\_points.ppt](https://www.asse.org/assets/1/7/Dues_Increase_Presentation_with_talking_points.ppt)

[https://www.asse.org/assets/1/7/Dues\\_Increase\\_FAQs.pdf](https://www.asse.org/assets/1/7/Dues_Increase_FAQs.pdf)



Check out the latest [Howard Talks Tech](#) written by our very own Howard Spencer. These articles are perfect discussion starters that are useful in guiding others to safety so please take a moment and explore the collection of topics.



If you are currently signed-up for LinkedIn don't forget to connect with the ASSE Penn-Jersey Chapter network. We have 61 members and counting! Will you be the next member?

Are you always wondering how to support the ASSE Foundation than look no further because we are still selling "I LOVE SAFETY" t-shirts for \$20/each. All proceeds from the sale benefit the ASSE Foundation. Please contact Danielle DiGironimo if you are interested in making a purchase at [ddigironimo@hotmail.com](mailto:ddigironimo@hotmail.com).



Awards Dinner for the Central Area on April 18<sup>th</sup> at the Nottingham Ball Room in Hamilton, NJ. Hope to see your company there receiving an award.

A new addition for the Chapter is for the Penn-Jersey Chapter will be hosting the Safety Awards Dinner for the Southern Area. This dinner will be held on May 3<sup>rd</sup> at the Auletto's Caterers, Almonesson, NJ.

### Technical Session:

Next Chapter meeting will be a joint meeting between Penn-Jersey and the Philly Chapter. More information to come by as of this newsletter the meeting will be held at Maggiano's in Cherry Hill, NJ on May 16<sup>th</sup> at 5:30pm. The topic is still under discussion but you will not be disappointed.

### App of the Month

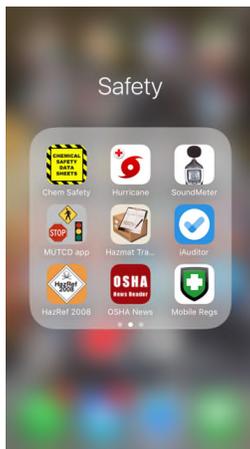
As a look back at the last meeting. Some of the names of the apps discussed might have already been for forgot and you have been racking your brain to try and remember them. We got you covered Here is a screen shot of the presenters apps that were discussed. If you have any questions please reach out to Danielle at [ddigironimo@hotmail.com](mailto:ddigironimo@hotmail.com). Keep in mind some of the apps are free and some of them you have to pay for.



### Upcoming Events

*No Chapter meeting for April but we are Hosting the Safety Awards Dinners!*

The Penn-Jersey Chapter will be hosting the Safety



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## Have Something to Share with the Chapter?

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