



Hello, Penn-Jersey, and welcome to the new Chapter year December newsletter. In this edition, you'll find information on the following:

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## President's Message to Chapter

Good Day ASSE Penn-Jersey!! I hope this newsletter finds you well. Punxsutawney Phil saw his shadow and predicts six more weeks of Winter. Like most Meteorologists, the Groundhog can be wrong. Nevertheless, Spring is around the corner, but before we get there, there is sure to be some more snow and icing conditions. Let's continue to talk to our folks and ensure everyone goes home safe. Chapter Nominations and Elections are around the corner. I encourage you to voice your opinion and vote. More details to come shortly. If you have any questions/comments/or concerns, please do not hesitate to reach out to me or anyone on your Executive Committee.

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Michael McGowan, CHMM  
President, ASSE Penn-Jersey

## What's New

### OSHA News:

#### **OSHA CLOSING RESOURCE CENTER VIDEO LOAN PROGRAM**

OSHA is ending its Resource Center Video Loan Program on Feb. 15, 2018. Videos on workplace safety and health are now available on OSHA's Videos webpage.

### **FREE WEBINAR ON SILICA EXPOSURE AVAILABLE MARCH 5-9, 2018**

OSHA and OSHA Education Centers in Louisiana, Oklahoma, and Texas, are offering a free WebEx presentation on silica hazards from March 5 to 9. The one-hour webinar will focus on compliance with the OSHA standard for silica in the construction and general industries, and best practices for prevention. The webinar requires registration. Please visit OSHA page for more information.

### ASSE Local Chapter News:

#### **GET INVOLVED**

**REMINDER...**The Penn-Jersey Chapter is always looking for assistance with the Chapter. Elections are coming up. Becoming engaged in Executive committee with the chapter will help you develop leadership skills that are transferable to the workplace. It will provide you an opportunity to network with other leaders in safety to find solutions to your latest challenges and share best practices. If you are interested in helping out on a committee or potential running for one of the elected positions please let any member of the executive board know. The Chapter is always happy to have more volunteers.

#### **UPDATED BYLAWS**

With the upcoming name change for Society, our chapter bylaws need to be revised to align with Society bylaws and reflect new name. During December meeting Executive board voted the proposal for revision and this is available on

[https://www.asse.org/assets/1/7/Penn\\_Jersey\\_Bylaws\\_PR\\_OPOSED\\_11.2017.pdf](https://www.asse.org/assets/1/7/Penn_Jersey_Bylaws_PR_OPOSED_11.2017.pdf).

Please review and provide the comments, if any. There will be a vote during February 2018 Technical meeting.



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).

## CHAPTER UPDATE

### February meeting:

Technical Meeting: IMAGE BASED SAFETY TRAINING

Date: February 20, 2018; 5:30 PM

Speaker: Linda Tapp, ALCM, CSP

Safety training activities based on images and the principles of accelerated learning can be extremely effective in communicating important safety information and can help trainees retain information longer. When trainees are illiterate or have English as a second-language, images are even more important. In this session, we will discuss right and wrong ways to use images in safety training and review various safety training games and activities that involve only visual aids. This session requires participation. Come ready to be involved!

Ms. Linda Tapp, ALCM, CSP, is President, of SafetyFUNDamentals, an occupational safety training company based in Madison, NJ and has over 29 years of experience in occupational safety. She is the author of SafetyFUNDamentals: 77 Activities to Make Training Great, SafetyFUNDamentals: HazardHunt, Safety Training Activities for OSHA's Top Ten, Safety Sequence: Get Your Safety Training in Order and The Safety Trainer's Badge Book. She has held numerous volunteer positions including

past Director on the Board of Certified Safety Professionals, Board Member for the Boys & Girls Club of Camden County, and just about every ASSE Chapter and Practice Specialty office. She currently serves as a Trustee and Vice-Chair on ASSE's Foundation. (Her many years of service to ASSE started as Newsletter Editor for the Penn-Jersey Chapter). Linda is the recipient of numerous awards including ASSE's Edgar Monsanto Queeny Safety Professional of the Year.

## App of the Month



This OSHA Safety App includes the full text of the OSHA regulations for General Industry and Business. These OSHA 1910 Regulations cover most work places, including manufacturing, service industries, warehouses and distribution centers, and the medical / dental fields. Features Include: Full text of OSHA Regulations for General Industry (Part 1910); Doesn't require internet access, so it can work in remote locations and on Factory floors; Provides OSHA's official interpretations of their regulations; Provides the latest OSHA news and latest weekly news bulletin. This app is free but available only for IOS devices.

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## Have Something to Share with the Chapter?

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