



Hello, Penn-Jersey, and welcome to the April 2018 newsletter. In this edition, you'll find information on the following:

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## President's Message to Chapter

Good Day Penn-Jersey,

Has anyone seen Spring? The calendar suggest that Spring is here, however, Mother Nature seems to have other ideas. We have rolled the clocks forward for 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 variable 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 you 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:

#### **TWO NATIONAL CAMPAIGNS IN APRIL SEEK TO PROTECT WORKERS FROM VEHICLE-RELATED INJURIES AND FATALITIES**

Vehicle collisions are the number-one cause of work-related fatalities. Two public outreach campaigns are taking place this month to help keep employees safe while working on the road or roadside.

The National Safety Council (NSC) designates April as [Distracted Driving Awareness Month](#). NSC is offering a free webinar, "[Engaging Ways to Address Distracted Driving at Work](#)," on April 19, 2018. The NSC's free [Safe Driving Kit](#) can also be ordered online.

#### **EXPOSURE TO CERTAIN CHEMICALS MAY CAUSE HEARING LOSS, OSHA WARNS**

Ototoxicants – chemicals that can cause hearing loss and balance issues when inhaled, ingested or absorbed through the skin – are found in certain pesticides, solvents and medications, and the risk of their adverse effects increases when workers are exposed to elevated noise levels, OSHA cautions in a Safety and Health Information Bulletin published March 8.

### ASSE Local Chapter News:

#### **GET INVOLVED**

**REMINDER...**Don't forget to vote. Nominations will be out for voting in the month of April. Look out for the email. You can vote via email or in person during May 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).

## Have Something to Share with the Chapter?

Contact our newsletter editor Dhruvi Thaker @ [dthaker@oled.com](mailto:dthaker@oled.com).

## CHAPTER UPDATE

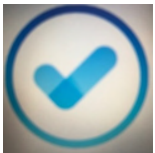
### *No Chapter meeting for April but we are Hosting the Safety Awards Dinners!*

The Penn-Jersey Chapter will be hosting the Safety Awards Dinner at the Nottingham Ball Room in Hamilton, NJ on April 17, 2018. Hope to see your company there receiving an award.

### *Technical Session:*

Next Chapter meeting will be a joint meeting between Penn-Jersey and the Philly Chapter. More information to come. As of this newsletter the meeting will be held at Maggiano's in Cherry Hill, NJ on May 15<sup>th</sup> at 5:30pm. The topic is still under discussion but you will not be disappointed.

## APP OF THE MONTH



iAuditor - Safety Checklists

Easily build your own inspection forms using our simple drag-and-drop builder. Complete inspections on any device, even when you're offline. Send instantly generated reports to management or customers. Identify trends and review performance across inspections with analytics dashboards. SafetyCulture iAuditor allows you to standardize your inspection process and review performance across teams, locations, templates and more. Manage risks, keep audit and inspection records centralized, and improve your business over time. This free App available on apple or android platforms.