



AMERICAN SOCIETY OF SAFETY PROFESSIONALS Mountain Valley Chapter

May is National Electrical Safety Month! Stay Safe With These Tips.

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SERVICE AWARD

INTRODUCING THE ROBERT PAUL CALHOUN AWARD

We cannot fully express how much the members and community involved in this chapter mean to our continued growth and success. The success of the chapter is measured in increased support and career-building opportunities for our members. To show our appreciation we would like to introduce the Robert Paul Calhoun Service Award. This award will be presented to a chapter member in good standing who embodies the ASSP spirit.



UPCOMING EVENTS

June	A Night at the Ballpark!
July 8	July Chapter Meeting
August	Summer Break: No Chapter Meeting
August 7-9	ASSP Safety24
Sep 9	September Chapter Meeting
Sep 18-20	Region VI PDC

REGISTER AT [STARVALLEY.ASSP.ORG/EVENT](https://starvalley.assp.org/event)

Chapter Recognition



GOLD LEVEL CHAPTER
2022-2023

MONTHLY MEETING

MAY: PRINCIPLES OF PROFESSIONAL ETHICS

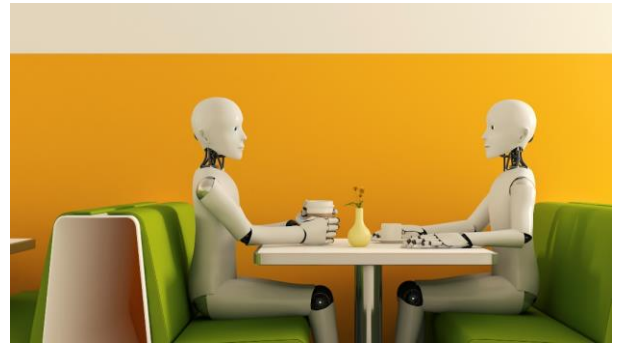
May 13, 2024: In Person 11:30am – 1:00pm Virtual Noon-1pm
Speaker: Gary Pasquarell, PhD

President Glenn Hargrove started us off right with a recap of all of the exciting changes at the newly named Mountain Valley Chapter. We were thrilled to have a turnout of 19 members and officers between our in person and on-line attendees.

Dr. Gary Pasquarell gave a captivating presentation on professional ethics and detailed how they are formulated as well as their impact on the careers of safety and engineering professionals. A riveting case study was included as a demonstration of how a lapse in ethical judgment can lead to disaster. Please check out the case study at the link below.

<https://interestingengineering.com/culture/understanding-hyatt-regency-walkway-collapse>

Thank you for your time and vital information!



UPCOMING MEETINGS

JUNE AND JULY CHAPTER MEETINGS

June 20, 2024: 7:00pm – 9:00pm

A Night at The Ballpark!

Join us at the ballpark for a night of camaraderie and fun! Friends and family are welcome. Tickets will be made available for pick up the day of the game. A \$5 concession voucher is included in the price of your ticket. As a bonus it will also be Bark in The Park, Thirsty Thursday and Ladies night!

Address: Salem Memorial Stadium 1004 Texas Street, Salem, Virginia, 24153, United States

July 8, 2024: 11:30am – 1:00pm

Topic: A Turning Point For PFAS

Speaker: Lindsay Boone, M.Sc

This presentation will cover EPA 1633 both, its pros, and its limitations, focusing on elevated total suspended solids (TSS) content and how results can be impacted.

Address: 15 Salem Ave SE, Suite 301, Roanoke, Virginia, 24011, United States

Register at <https://starvalley.assp.org/event/>





STAND UP FOR STANDARDS: HEAT STRESS

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STANDARDS EDUCATION SERIES



UPCOMING EDUCATION

STAND-UP FOR STANDARDS: ANSI/ASSP HEAT STRESS STANDARD

Date: June 27, 2024, Time: 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM CT

Format: Webinar \$199 For Members

Credits: 0.20 Continuing Education Units

Register at <https://store.assp.org/PersonifyEbusiness/Events/ASSPEducationalEventsCalendar>

According to the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, more than 400 work-related deaths have been caused by environmental heat exposure since 2011. The new ANSI/ASSP A10.50 is the first national consensus standard to address heat stress management in construction and demolition operations. It explains how to help prevent heat illnesses and provides an approach any organization can use to help workers acclimate to working in high-heat conditions. It also identifies relevant engineering and administrative controls to help control the hazards of heat.

As part of your registration, you will receive a digital bundle of standards and a technical report. See the complete list under Materials.

What You Will Learn

- Identify the foundational elements of a work-related heat stress management program for both outdoor and indoor work environments
- Discuss ideas for engineering and administrative controls to reduce or eliminate workers' symptoms at construction and demolition work sites
- Present planning assistance in developing heat-stress-related training content for workers and supervisors

SAFETY MINUTE

OSHA HAZCOMM STANDARD UPDATE



On May 20, 2024 OSHA issued a final rule updating the Hazard Communication Standard (HCS) to align with the seventh revision of the United Nations' Globally Harmonized System of Classification and Labelling of Chemicals (GHS). The final rule takes effect on July 19, 2024. The updates are intended to increase worker safety and awareness when working with chemicals. Below are a few highlights of the rule and changes to keep on your radar.

- Revised classification criteria for chemical products such as aerosols, desensitized explosives and flammable gases.
- New Chemicals Under Pressure hazard category under aerosols.
- Revised provisions for labels, including provisions addressing the labeling of small containers, 100 mL or less in volume, and very small containers, 3 ml or less.
- Additional criteria to consider when classifying a chemical, and its associated effects to include in Section 2 of the product safety data sheet (SDS).
- Updates to information requirements for SDSs, including addition of "particle characteristics" for solid products in Section 9 of SDS.
- New trade secret guidelines relating to how chemical manufacturers can choose to use concentration ranges of chemicals.

Please see more details of the final rule here [OSHA's Proposed Rulemaking to Amend the Hazard Communication Standard | Occupational Safety and Health Administration](#) and be sure to evaluate how these changes will directly impact your workplace.



MEMBER SPOTLIGHT

WE WANT TO SEE YOU HERE!

As we continue through the year and into the next, we want to keep highlighting the careers and experiences of the Mountain Valley chapter members. If you would like to nominate someone to be featured or would be interested in telling us a bit more about yourself, please reach out to Eric Cureton at starvalleyASSPcomm@outlook.com



2024 REGION VI PDC

REGISTRATION FOR THE 2024 PDC IS NOW OPEN!

Join us in beautiful Virginia Beach, Virginia for our [2024 ASSP Region VI PDC](#)! The “Biggest Little PDC” around is moving from its long time host in Myrtle Beach to Virginia for next year.

Are you passionate about Safety and Health? Are you an experienced and dynamic speaker who can help SH&E professionals develop skills, strategies, and a mindset that enhances safety and health? If so, we invite you to submit a speaking proposal. Speakers should be able to inspire, entertain, engage, and educate our attendees through interactive presentations or workshop that provide PRACTICAL takeaways.

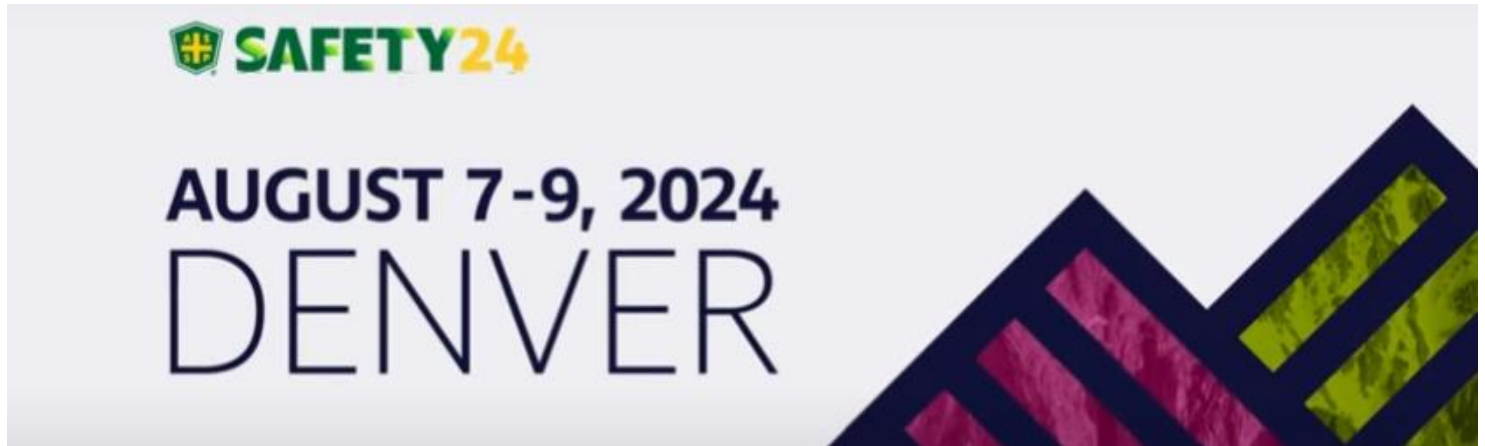
This Annual Conference provides one of the most sought after events in the region for attendees to learn the profession’s best practices focusing on Safety, Health, Industrial Hygiene & Environmental Issues. The Conference is attended by over 350+ attendees annually and features an Exhibit Hall of over 35+ Sponsors and Exhibitors. The three day event features 3 keynote speakers, 30 breakout sessions with 3 concurrent tracks.

If you’re ready to join our conference as a speaker, submit your proposal before 1/31/24. Contact Amy Wangdahl at asspreregionvipprograms@gmail.com for questions or submission issues.



SAFETY24

ASSP'S PREMIER EDUCATION EVENT FOR SAFETY PROFESSIONALS



For more than 60 years, the ASSP Professional Development Conference (PDC) has been and will continue to be the direct reflection of what is taking place in the occupational, safety and health industry. Each year, safety professionals gather to learn from both experts in the field and each other. The conference is a tradition for many, but the community is always ready to welcome those who are new to the experience. Now known as Safety Conference and Expo, the annual event presents an unparalleled opportunity for education, networking and community.

- Who? Occupational safety and health (OSH) professionals from around the globe
- What? Three days of education sessions and an industry-leading, education-focused exhibit hall
- Where? Each year, we select a new location. See below for past and future locations.
- When? Traditionally the event is held in the summer months.
- Why? To bring innovation, education and connection to the safety profession, with the goal improving workplace safety

REGISTER NOW! <https://safety.assp.org/registration/>

