



April is Distracted Driving Awareness Month. Remember to stay focused on the road.

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CALL FOR NOMINATIONS

Don't miss this opportunity

- OPEN CHAIR POSITIONS
- NOMINATIONS CLOSE APRIL 1ST 2025
- DETAILS IN OUR RECENT NEWSLETTER

UPCOMING EVENTS

Mar 1-30	National and Regional Elections
May 12th	May Chapter Meeting
June 13 th	Night at the Ballpark
Sep 17-19	Region VI PDC

REGISTER AT MOUNTAINVALLEY.ASSP.ORG/EVENT



**GOLD LEVEL CHAPTER
2023-2024**

MONTHLY MEETING

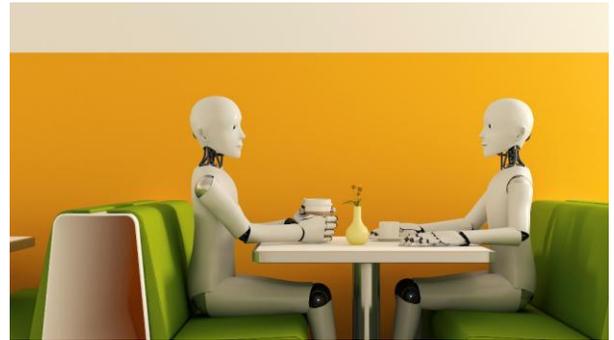
MARCH MEETING

March 17, 2025: 5:30-7:00pm EST

Address: 4550 Mayflower Dr, Lynchburg, VA 24501

Speaker: Bob Drane MS, CSP, OSHS -Sr. Occupational Safety Compliance Officer and Adjunct Faculty, School of Health Sciences at Liberty University

Details: Highlights included a presentation by Bob on Exploitative Child Labor and tour of the Emergency Management facility which included an overview of the LU Champion Safe app (more details regarding the app on page 4).



UPCOMING MEETINGS

REGISTER AT [Events – ASSP Mountain Valley Chapter](#)

May 12th, 2025: Noon-1:30pm EST

Address: TBD

Details: Who says there's no such thing as a free lunch? Mountain Valley ASSP will be hosting a lunch membership drive in May. More details to come!



UPCOMING EDUCATION

ANSI, OSHA & EVOLVING ONLINE TRAINING: NEW REGULATIONS & LIABILITIES

Date: March 27, 2025, from Noon To 1:00 pm CDT

Format: Webinar

Credits: 0.1 Continuing Education Units

Register at <https://my.assp.org/event-information?id=a0IUJ000001etTRYAY>

Course Description

Environmental, health and safety (EHS) training professionals must keep their credentials up to date. However, as artificial intelligence (AI) and other new technologies rapidly change the world of online health and safety training, meeting this goal is increasingly complicated.

Examine how agencies such as OSHA and standards-developing organizations such as ANSI have and have not responded to these emerging issues and their implications for businesses. Develop strategies to effectively address these risks and use technical advancement to meet your business goals.

What You Will Learn

- ✦ Examine the technical, legal and regulatory trends that are changing online health and safety training
- ✦ Review recent updates to ANSI/ASSP Z490 and why they were implemented
- ✦ Identify potential legal implications for senior leaders if they fail to address these risks
- ✦ Assess the business case for investing in secure, AI-aware training platforms

Speakers



Robert Day, Founder, Managing Director, Integrity Advocate - Robert Day has more than 25 years of progressive leadership in high-risk industries, technology and legal defensibility. As the managing director and technological visionary for Integrity Advocate, Day oversees product development to ensure compliance with global legal, regulatory and client standards. His focus is on building adaptable solutions that cater to diverse industries using online education and assessments to mitigate risk and achieve operational goals. These solutions help mitigate risks that can lead to the creation of fraudulent qualifications.



Dan Snyder, CSP, CIT; CEO of SafetyMentor.com - Dan Snyder's career spans 32 years of diverse experience. He is a subject-matter expert on certification exam blueprints, safety and health management systems, and safety and health professional competencies. Snyder serves on several standards and professional development committees, including serving as Chair of the ANSI/ASSP Z490.1 subcommittee responsible for developing the national consensus standard establishing criteria for accepted practices in safety, health and environmental training.

SAFETY MINUTE

CAMPUS SAFETY – THERE'S AN APP FOR THAT

Eighteen to nineteen million students are currently enrolled in colleges and universities around the US¹. These institutions help shape the future and provide vital education resources to the communities in which they operate. When choosing a higher learning provider students consider their major, location, and the cost of attendance. However, one item may come to mind a little less often, safety. Campus safety is an essential part of the experience and something that may linger in the mind of every parent sending their child off to a brighter future. A search of “safe college campuses” or “safest college in the US” will turn up a variety of results. Most colleges will proudly display safety awards and credentials on their webpages to help inform of their current safety programs.

Emerging in the campus safety world are safety applications. As students will most likely have a smartphone on them at all times, it brings these resources straight to their pocket. Liberty University has launched an application called Champion Safe. We recently had the honor of seeing a tour of the application and received these details from the campus:

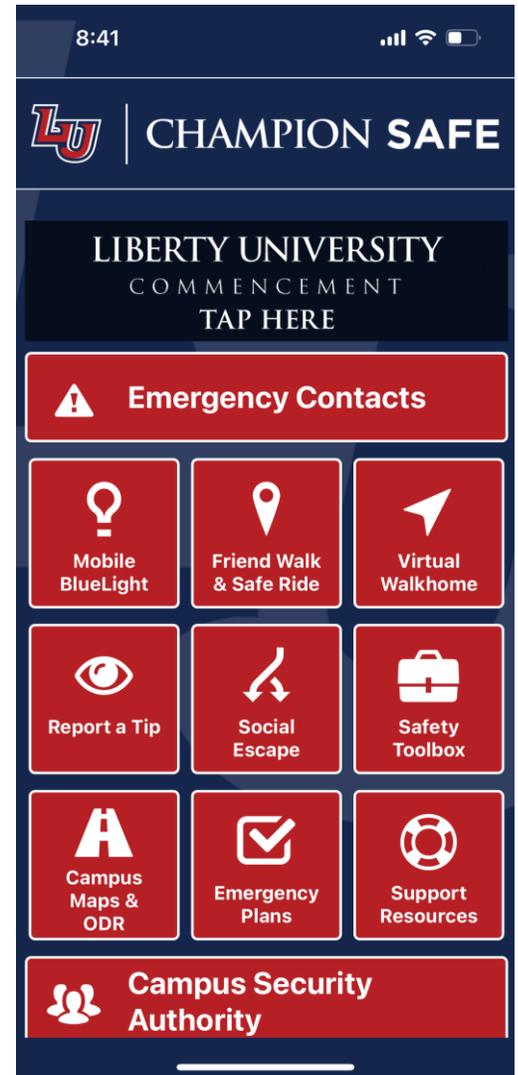
“Champion Safe: Enhancing Campus Safety at Liberty University

The **Champion Safe app** is a critical tool in Liberty University’s commitment to campus safety, offering a wide range of features designed to provide students, faculty, and staff with real-time safety resources at their fingertips. The app includes essential tools such as **Mobile Blue Light**, which allows users to send their real-time location to LU security while instantly connecting with an emergency dispatcher. Additionally, the **Virtual Walkhome** and **Friend Walk** features give users peace of mind by allowing them to be monitored by either campus security or a trusted friend during their walk across campus.

Champion Safe also provides direct access to **Safe Ride**, a secure transportation service available when students feel unsafe walking, and **Social Escape**, a discreet tool that generates a fake call to help individuals exit uncomfortable social situations. Users can also report safety concerns through **anonymous tip reporting** and access **emergency plans, campus maps, and support resources** all within the app. By integrating these features, Champion Safe has significantly improved campus safety, offering proactive solutions that empower the Liberty University community to stay aware, connected, and secure.”

- John-Wesley Sloan, Senior Community Engagement Analyst at Liberty University

The app is available for download by students, parents, and guests to the university.



¹College Enrollment & Student Demographic Statistics, March 17, 2025 <https://educationdata.org/college-enrollment-statistics>

NATIONAL AND REGIONAL ELECTIONS

ELECTIONS RUN MARCH 1ST-MARCH 30TH.

The 2025 Election Slate is Now Live!

"Elections are not simply a routine event. They are a defining moment that helps shape the future of our profession and our community in ASSP. As members of this organization, each of our voices means something and helps propel our progress toward achieving our mission and vision. By coming together to consider the future, we ensure that our elected leaders uphold our community's values, priorities and aspirations." - Pamela Walaski, CSP, FASSP, 2024-25 ASSP President and ASSP Foundation Chair

Board of Directors

The succession of candidates from Senior Vice President to President-Elect and President-Elect to President is automatic. Therefore, Linda Tapp and Monique Parker will not appear on the actual ballot.

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Additional information can be found here [Elections and Elected Leadership Positions | ASSP](#)

LOCAL ELECTIONS

THE OPPORTUNITY FOR MEMBERS TO SERVE IN A VARIETY OF CHAIR POSITIONS IS CRUCIAL FOR A ROBUST CHAPTER AND ALLOWS SHARING OF RESPONSIBILITIES.

Position	Current Occupant	<u>CALL FOR CANDIDATES</u>
Chapter President	Glenn Hargrove	<p>Please consider nominating yourself or others; reach out to mountainvalleyasspcom@outlook.com by April 1st.</p>
Delegate	F. Carlton Davis	
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Vice President	F. Carlton Davis	
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Jobs Chair	Jesse D. Phillips	
Awards and Honors Chair	Vacant	
Foundation liaison	Vacant	

Want to know more about a specific position? See the summaries below for additional insight!

Position	Summary
Chapter President	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Preside at regular and special meeting of the Executive Committee and the membership. • Represent the Chapter at meetings of other organizations. • Be a member of the Area / Regional Operating Committee. • Provide leadership for programs and activities for the Chapter. • Appoint committees necessary to implement objectives of the Chapter. • Submit an Annual Report of Chapter activities. • Submit the names of Chapter officers and Advisory Group Members
Vice President	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Succeed to the office of the President and carry out its duties If the President Is unable to serve. • Assume responsibilities for the work of committees as assigned by the President.
Secretary	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Maintain Chapter records. • Record and distribute minutes of meetings. • Notify Chapter members of meetings. • Assume the duties of the Treasurer as necessary.
Treasurer	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Maintain all financial records of the Chapter. • Supervise the receipt and disbursement of funds. • Maintain Chapter funds in a depository. • Transmit to Society Headquarters the audited income & expenses. • Submit to the IRS any required tax documents. • Assume the duties of the Secretary as necessary.

Full descriptions are available in the [Chapter Bylaws](#)

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2025 PDC

REGION VI PDC IN MYRTLE BEACH, NC

REGION VI PDC

MYRTLE BEACH, SC | SEPTEMBER 17-19, 2025



September 17-19, 2025

We invite you to experience the “Biggest Little PDC” in beautiful Myrtle Beach, South Carolina! This annual conference is one of the most sought-after events in the region for safety professionals, offering the opportunity to learn best practices in **Safety, Health, Industrial Hygiene, and Environmental Issues**.

With over **350+ attendees** and **35+ sponsors and exhibitors**, the 2025 PDC promises three action-packed days of networking, education, and innovation. The event will feature **keynote sessions, 30 breakout presentations** across three concurrent tracks, and an **Exhibit Hall** showcasing the latest industry products and services.

Whether you're a seasoned safety professional or new to the field, the ASSP Region VI PDC provides invaluable resources, networking, and insights to help you grow and stay ahead in your profession. Don't miss out on this incredible opportunity!

LEARN MORE HERE! [ASSP Region VI PDC](#)