Hi there friend,

We hope you have been finding ways to beat the heat and stay safe during our summer storms! Take a look at what happened this month in the Northwest Chapter:

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**President's Message...**

I heard it on the radio the other day..."we are halfway through our summer." My kids and I were in Walmart last week and we saw school supplies out. Needless to say the kids were not happy, and as for me, I'm just thinking about a few things I still want to do this summer.

So to keep this brief, here is my short list of things that I try to abide by during the summer:

1. Put sunscreen on in the morning on days when I think I may be out in the sun...especially on my neck and face. I dislike getting burned!
2. Encourage my kids use sunscreen. They have no problem tanning, unlike me, but I still think it's important for them to use sunscreen.
3. Limit cell phone use especially when on vacation.
4. Drive at or near speed limit when on roads and/or interstate. It's not worth cutting 20 minutes off a 4 hour journey. It just isn't.
5. Fill other people's buckets... from a book called "How Full is Your Bucket" by Rath/Clifton. Making people feel good is far better than making them feel bad. People will remember you for both.

A little about the Atlanta PDC...Northwest Chapter received the Gold Award for the 2014/15 chapter year under the Presidency of Tom Cone. In case you are not familiar with this award, ASSE chapters complete an annual performance report that indicates how well they met basic standards of excellence. The highest award is the Platinum Award.

The below picture shows Jennifer Ellinwood, Jamison Harrell-Latham and John Urban receiving the Gold Award on behalf of the NW Chapter. Tom Cone was not present at the time the picture was taken but should receive most of the credit for achieving this milestone for the NW Chapter; thank you Tom!
Northwest Members Receive Safety Professional of the Year Awards!

The Northwest Chapter is pleased to announce that Chris Flegel and Jeff Jarvela received Safety Professional of the Year Awards at Safety 2016.

Chris Flegel was honored with the prestigious Safety Professional of the Year award for the ASSE Industrial Hygiene Practice Specialty Group at the 2016 ASSE PDC in Atlanta in June. Chris was recognized for his significant contributions to the safety and industrial hygiene field and with his active involvement with the Practice Specialty Group. Congratulations, Chris!
Jeff Jarvela was honored with the prestigious Safety Professional of the Year award for the ASSE Mining Practice Specialty Group at the 2016 ASSE PDC in Atlanta in June. Jeff was recognized for his significant contributions to further the safety of mining operations at Cliffs Natural Resources along with his active involvement with the Practice Specialty Group. Congratulations, Jeff!
"Luau on Minnetonka" is Canceled

Due to circumstances outside of our control, the 2016 Summer Boat Cruise, Luau on Minnetonka, has been canceled. We will be working to refund those who have already paid.

Save the Date for the NW Chapter ASSE PDC; You’re Sure to Love it!

Save the date of February 14th and plan to attend the 2017 NW Chapter ASSE Professional Development Conference. Spend the day learning, networking, and rekindling your passion for safety. Attend enticing educational sessions of your choice and let our knowledgeable speakers remind you what originally attracted you to the field of safety. Leave feeling better equipped to tackle your daily challenges, better connected to your peers, and reinvigorated about your career.

Additional information to follow. Mark your calendar now and watch the NW Chapter newsletter and website for more details. We look forward to seeing you there!