



**NORTHWEST
CHAPTER**

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UPCOMING EVENTS

Registration Now Open for EHS Super Heroes – the 2019 Summer Boat Cruise for EHS Professionals

Make plans now to attend the annual social and networking event of the summer. This is a collaboration between the ASSP, the AIHA, the AHMP and the MN Safety Council and is set for 1:30 – 4:30 PM on Thursday, August 8th.



This year the theme is “EHS Super Heroes” and we cruise out of Bohemian Flats Park in Minneapolis – a new venue! There will be beverages, light snacks, and a cash bar. Be sure to get there early or you’ll miss the boat!

One of the most memorable ways to spend a summer day is networking with other EHS Professionals and taking in the views of Minneapolis from the Mighty Mississippi. Go to the ASSP Northwest Chapter website for additional details, directions to the venue, and to make your registration. Feel free to make a registration for spouses, friends or other guests. Boat capacity is limited, so don’t delay.

Time: 1:30 – 4:30 PM

Cruise Company: Paradise Charter Cruises

Ship: Paradise Lady

Departure Port: Bohemian Flats Park, 2150 West River Parkway,
Minneapolis, MN 55454

Cruise Hosts: ASSP Northwest Chapter, AIHA Upper Midwest Section,
AHMP North Star Chapter, Minnesota Safety Council

Individual tickets are available at an Early-Bird rate of \$25.00 per person. The price is \$30.00 per person for registrations on or after August 1st. Company sponsorships are also available. Use the appropriate registration option online.

Need more information? Contact Scott Huberty at (612) 212-3070 or by e-mail at: SHuberty@Mackadmin.com

[Click Here to Register](#)

SAVE THE DATE...

Kick off the local ASSP Professional Development season with the NW Chapter!!

SEPTEMBER NW CHAPTER MEETING with MN OSHA

Tuesday, September 10 | 11:30 am - 1:30 pm

Grumpy's of Roseville, MN

President's Message



Don't Blink! It Might Be Over Soon...

As the NW Chapter wraps up another year and my Presidential term comes to an end, I am now realizing how fast this time went! While I am sad to see things come to a close, I think it is important to look back and reflect on the accomplishments, member activities, and the future of where ASSP is going. Before anymore time passes us by, I would like everyone to pause and look back because if we don't, September will be here and the previous Chapter year will be forgotten.

First, a new chapter of ASSP was started when the official name change took place back on July 1, 2018 (ASSE to ASSP). Although I will be replacing my ASSE wardrobe with ASSP items, it is an exciting move that more accurately describes the members of ASSP and what the Society represents. This whole initiative started back in June 2017 in Denver at the House of Delegates meeting which also seemed like "yesterday".

Next, we added another offsite and out-state (outside of Twin Cities metro) Chapter meeting to our calendar, which took place at South Central Technical College in Faribault in November. Because geographically our Chapter and

membership is very spread out (the NW Chapter is one of the largest Chapters in the US), it is important to branch out and make our meetings and events more easily accessible to membership and we had good attendance at this event.

Another change and improvement was the new venue for our annual Professional Development Conference (PDC). Last February, our annual event was held at Mystic Lake Casino & Conference Center. Attendee feedback was very positive, and these accommodations were in a beautiful new facility, so we are hoping to have future PDC events there. Special thanks to the PDC Planning Committee. I was totally amazed at how well this committee worked together and the time they dedicated to make this a successful conference- thanks again for your efforts!

Lastly, the growth and success of our Northern Plains Section was amazing, and they are off to a running start including hosting periodic Section meetings throughout North Dakota. This year's Safety Professional of the Year (SPY) Award went to Mr. Bill Wuolu, who has been the Section's Chairman and was instrumental in helping obtain the growth of the membership there. Thank you for your efforts and congratulations on your well-deserved award Bill!

Two other items worth mentioning. Our Chapter did receive the 2017-2018 Platinum Award at Safety 2019 in New Orleans. This is the highest award level a Chapter can receive from ASSP. Also, please mark your calendars and do not forget about our annual Summer Boat Cruise on August 8th. Check the website for more details.



As I ride off into the sunset, I want to thank all of you who attended our events, served on the Board, participated on a committee, held an officer or volunteer position, and for your support of ASSP. What we do is so important and adds value to the Safety and Health Profession in so many ways. Be

proud of what you do and represent, and I look forward to seeing you again at future events!

Respectfully,

Kurt VonRueden, CSP, SMS, CET

Member Updates

Welcome New Members

The Northwest Chapter welcomes the following individuals to our organization. We encourage all members to greet and speak with each of these members at their next opportunity, hopefully at an upcoming Chapter meeting. We hope that our new members will find their participation in the Chapter to be rewarding and enjoyable!

Anna Breidt
Kellie Dirksen
Bryan Edwards
Neal Finke
John Groves
James Krueger
Seth Lafleur
Rick Puckett
Darius Reed
Alexander Streets
Samuel Thompson
Micah Yovell
Teresa Merrill
Harry Mickumas
Ruth Portalatin-Walker
Brianna Taylor
Matthew Duff

NEWS & RESOURCES

SAFETY 2019



The annual ASSP Professional Development Conference, “Safety 2019” took place June 10 – 12 in New Orleans and the Northwest Chapter was well-represented with 89 Chapter Member registrations.

At the conference it was announced that over 6,500 people from all around the world had registered for the event – a new record for attendance. The Exhibition Hall also set a new record with over 500 Exhibitors. As usual, the days were full with many sessions to attend as well as Keynote Speakers each day. It was a special treat to see our Chapter’s own Diane Stegall take over as Society President for the year ahead.

Make plans now to attend Safety 2020; the 59th annual conference, scheduled for June 22 – 25, 2020 in Orlando, FL

WISE Safety 2019 t-shirts are still available!

You saw the shirts at Safety 2019 in New Orleans, now you can have your own! Proceeds from the t-shirt sales go to the WISE Professional Education Grant.

[Purple WISE KREWE shirt](#)

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