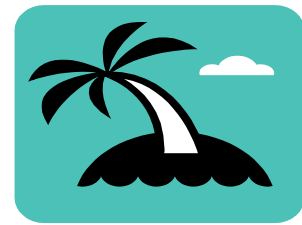




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SAVE THE DATE!

September 13th, 2011

Breakfast Meeting Information

TOPIC: “Heat Illness Prevention Program”:
or “What is it with those little pointy paper cups anyway?”

Speaker:

Donald E. Dodson,
ARM, CPDM, COSS:
Independent Risk
Management Consultant

When: Tuesday, September 13th 2011
@7:30am

Where: Admiral Baker Clubhouse
3406 Admiral Baker Road
San Diego, CA 92120

Please RSVP by 9/9/2011 to:

Cathi Marx at: cmarx@aspennmg.com
or (619) 294-9863

We request and prefer email over phone contact.

Cost: \$15 Members/Retired with RSVP on/before
September 9th

\$20 Members without RSVP prior to September
10th

\$20 Non-members-please RSVP

Free – 1st Meeting for New Members

Directions: Interstate 15 to Friars Road East; left onto Santo Road (traffic light); immediate right on Admiral Baker Road; go STRAIGHT at STOP sign; pass the recreation area and part of the golf course; road curves to right the driving range; keep going all the way to the clubhouse parking lot—a total of .9 miles from Santo Road.



And now, a few words from your President....

Art and safety – is there a connection?

“Art is either plagiarism or revolution”.

- ***Paul Gauguin***

So, the question has to be, “What the heck does Gauguin’s statement have to do with safety? Plenty!

In his life, (Gauguin died in 1903) he was known primarily as, of course, a painter. But, he was also a sculptor, print maker, a ceramist and a writer. He was never, as far as I could determine, referred to as a safety professional though. He spent time with post-Impressionists and with Van Gogh, specifically, having nothing to do with Van Gogh’s loss of part of one of his ears! But, he did not fall solely into the post-Impressionists way, forging his own style, often pulling from his time in South America as a youth.

Gauguin didn’t copy or imitate, he was in a more modern term, “his own guy”. (As a painter that is – as a husband and father it appears he was lacking some important traits.) That is, perhaps, what we learn from Gauguin and so many other painters and artists – they don’t copy or plagiarize. They don’t retread the same old things and visages – they individualize. They innovated and created something new that moved those that looked at their work then and by the generations that followed.

There is a translation to what we do. How many times have you heard a safety person say, “Can I have a copy of what you worked on?” Or, “do you mind sharing that Word file with me? It will save me a lot of time.” I’ve heard many times, “if so and so created that, it must be good, so let’s just use that one.” Yet, if you asked many of the same folks that would ask these questions to create something from the ground up or to develop something completely new, you might have to wait a while to see something show up on paper.

I know everyone can’t be the hotbed of creation for the next and best thing to come out of the safety management world, but there sure is a lot to be gained from trying. Even if doing something as straight ahead as writing a document to comply with a regulation, you can be an innovator and certainly not be guilty of active or passive plagiarism.

Give it a shot – be an innovator, bring a new way of thinking to our profession – in a good way, be, as Gauguin indicated, a “revolutionary”. Of course, in this context we are talking about bringing change to our field of practice. It’s time; we need the artist in all of you to emerge to pave the way for the safety management enhancements of the future. Don’t copy – revolt and let’s see what happens. I for one will be watching with great interest.

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Two months in – so how's it going?

Not sure I can say how impressed and thankful I am to the Board, our volunteers and our many associates – but I will try; thanks to all of you for your many and on-going contributions. Some highlights:

- Since the new Board year began we have reached out to fellow organizations like RIMS, to come to our meetings and get to know us. We have also begun a community outreach activity (more on this in the coming months) with RIMS and likely others – both of these were part of our strategic planning for the year. 20 ASSE member's signed up to be on the outreach group day one – outstanding and a testament to what safety professionals are all about

- The joint ASSE/AIHA group continues their efforts to coordinate this year's Pacific Southwest Safety and Health Conference; countless hours have gone into planning. Please support the effort and help publicize it to get others to join in as well

- The North County Section continues to bring programs to our North County members; this is a great addition to our chapter

- Our Membership Chair has put a working group together and will be reaching new, potential members in ways we have not attempted in the past; our membership is up slightly from the end of last year and we will look forward that continual, organic growth. Sometimes the best way to bring in new folks is for each of us to assist and sponsor a new member; please dig deep and see what you can do

- The Chapter plans on recognizing one of our own this year as a local Safety Professional of the Year. Please give this some thought as right after the first of the year we will begin asking for your thoughts and nominations. It's been a while since we have done this...a lot of folks are doing fine work in our chapter, so it's time to get this recognition up and running again

- A small working group comprised of Ed Langmaid, Cathi Marx, Don Dodson and myself has gotten together to represent those amongst our members with skill sets in emergency response, disaster planning, crisis management, etc and how we can avail ourselves to the community – at – large and be of assistance in a crisis or disaster. More to follow on this and if you have an interest in participating, please let me know

These are just some highlights of what has been a fast and furious couple of initial months for your Board and volunteers. I told you in July that you would be seeing changes and action; I'll be reporting on more as the next few months unfold.

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I know you're busy, but...

Let me wrap up by reiterating that this chapter has been around since the mid-1960's. We are not that far off from our 50th anniversary! We have made it this far based on the hard work of volunteers. We have a great group again this year pitching in, but we'd love to develop new talent for next year and beyond. For the next ones' to step up and get involved, I say thanks. Think about it – will you be one of them?

A critical date to remember

September 11th is just passed. To pay homage to our lost heroes is important – please do what you can whether quietly and alone, or with a group that you belong to. There will be remembrances in town, including the ceremonies on the deck of the Midway that Cindy Reyes notified the membership of recently. Many of us knew someone or several “someone's” who were lost that day ten years ago. A company that I had worked for just previous to 9/11 lost dozens of employees that day. I sent a letter to the CEO of that organization, offering my sympathies, condolences and support. In his letter of thanks, he said it was the ‘remembering’ that would make all the difference in the future. I know we won't forget - safety professionals are good that way.

And, a word from our dear friend Sam Cahan safely ensconced in New York...

Dear George:

Regarding my drinking problem and safety:

I would just like to share my last experience with you and it has to do with my drinking and driving.

On Saturday night I was out for a few drinks and had way too many Scotch and rocks. Knowing full well I was wasted, I did something I've never done before. I took a bus home.

I want you to know that I arrived home safely and without incident which was a real surprise, since I had never driven a bus before.

*You friend,
Samuel*

(I don't need to remind you that Sam is trying to tell us something do I? Thanks Sam – we appreciate you sharing your wisdom and humor and staying in touch with us.)

I'll see you in a couple of weeks,

Audentes fortuna iuvat

Dan



September Program “Heat Illness Prevention Program: or “What is it with those little pointy paper cups anyway?”

1. What type of employers are required to implement an "effective" heat illness prevention program,
2. Clarification of “what is outdoors”.
3. What are the key elements in the written program,
4. How does DOSH confirm "effectiveness" when they make a random, "heat sweep drive by," conduct a targeted or complaint driven inspection, or follow up an injury or death investigation.
5. [What are the minimum training elements for exposed workers and supervisors..](#)

Speaker: Donald E. Dodson, ARM, CPDM, COSS; Don earned his Bachelor's degree from San Diego State University in occupational safety and health, graduating with honors and distinction. He has worked as an insurance risk control consultant, private and public sector safety and risk manager, as well as an instructor and national conference speaker. Don also earned an M.B.A. from National University, and qualified as an Associate in Risk Management (ARM), Certified Professional in Disability Management (CPDM), and Certified Occupational Safety Specialist (COSS). He is currently an independent safety and risk management consultant.

Meet the New Board of our San Diego Chapter



Name: Donald E. Dodson

Position on Board: Immediate Past President for 2011-2012

Employer: Kathi Dodson ☺. Independent safety and risk management consultant

Education: B.S. from San Diego State University, Occupational Safety and Health (with Honors and Distinction) and an M.B.A. from National University with an emphasis in human resources management.

Designations: ARM, CPDM (Certified Professional in Disability Management) and COSS (Certified Occupational Safety Specialist)

Experience Highlights: Safety and risk control consultant with large insurance companies. Safety and human resources manager for San Diego's largest private emergency medical service (EMS) provider. Instructor UCSD Extended Studies, instructor and workshop leader for Insurance Educational Association (IEA). Lay Leader and back-up preacher Central Congregational Church, La Mesa (“live” in the pulpit



September 18, 10:00 AM!).

One success you'd like to share: Able to decentralize safety and health within an organization of about 400 workers.

Something you'd change in the world of safety: Remove the words "my safety program" from the lips of every SH&E professional.

Family: Married 39 years to Kathleen, daughters Kim (a Geographic Information Systems Professional - GISP) and Kari (a pharmacy technician and college student). Snowy the American Eskimo, who doesn't know he is a dog.

Hobby(ies): Amateur radio (K16GZK – General Class) active with Southwestern REACT and Amateur Radio Club of El Cajon, and San Miguel Fire District Community Emergency Response Team (CERT). Active volunteer with Armed Services YMCA including Dispatcher for C-5 Medevacs. Play oboe and English horn with various local orchestras and the San Diego Concert Band.

5 people I'd like to have to dinner with: #1) Joshua, who interned under Moses and lead the Israelites into the Promised Land, #2) my Great-Great Grandfather, Trooper A. E. Dodson, 8th US Cavalry, Troop H, #3) President Theodore Roosevelt, #4) President Obama, for an O'Dool's and photo op, and #5) Charles Schultz, WWII Vet and cartoonist.



Name: Aleksandar M. Meyer

Employer: Solar Turbines Incorporated

Position on Board: Website Coordinator (1999 - Present)

Education: B.S. Environmental and Hazardous Materials Management; University of Findlay, Emphasis in Public Administration; Minors in Administrative Law and Geology

Experience: 2005 - Current - Principal Environmental Coordinator; Solar Turbines Incorporated

1998-2005 - Sr. Safety Engineer and Environmental Engineering Specialist; Union-Tribune Publishing Co.

1997-1998 - EHS Programs Specialist - Village of Archbold, OH

1994-1997 - Remediation Technician, Safety Officer, Heavy Equipment Operator and Oil Spill First Response Specialist (National Response Center- Midwest Region); OHM Remediation Services Corp.

Sales Specialist (Shoes); J.C. Penney

Small Engine Repair Technician

Carpenter



One Success: Working with a team that has brought a major industrial and office environment from 40% landfill diversion to over 85% landfill diversion in four years.

One Thing I'd Change: The way California promulgates, administrates and enforces the Health & Safety Code. It seems that the intent of legislation gets lost in translation somewhere...

Family: Engaged (June 2012) - No Children

Hobbies: Golf, Camping / Hiking, Traveling - Enjoying outdoors.

5 People I'd like to have dinner with: Sam the Cooking Guy; Emeril Lagasse, Guy Fieri, Myron Mixon, and Gordon Ramsay. Now that would be a dinner!



Name: David Ferguson

Position on Board: Job Line Chair for 2011-2012

Employer: The San Diego Union-Tribune, LLC...Director of Risk Management

Education: Master's in Health Science, San Diego State, 1980, College teaching credential in Health and Physical Care Services and Related Technologies, Bachelor's in Philosophy, San Diego State University, plus additional graduate studies.

Designations: Certified Safety Professional [CSP], Registered Environmental Auditor [REA], Certified Environmental Auditor [CEA]

Volunteer/Other: Volunteer in a variety of community activities: Mayoral appointee to Local Environmental Oversight Panel; Member of San Diego CERT, Previous chair of Tierrasanta Community Services and Safety Committee, Previous President and Director of San Marcos Community Foundation; Previous Ambassador with San Marcos Chamber of Commerce; Previous member of City of Chula Vista Ethics Commission; Previous member of Chula Vista International Friendship Commission; Previous runner of the Olympic Torch as representative of Chula Vista in the 1984 Olympics

Experience Highlights: Have worked in a variety of industries...from driving school buses to working as a librarian, working in shipbuilding, aerospace, ophthalmic lens manufacturing, agriculture, and construction. Taught Community College Health Science for a short time. Worked and studied in Europe for 4 ½ years; studied in Mexico City the summer of 1973.



My focus: I want to help others in the field to understand how to get things done. I see safety success sort of like ergonomics...you have to understand engineering design, psychology, kinesiology, body mechanics and a big-picture company mindset...as well as individual desires and how to fit in...to be effective.

Family: Married to Karen and have a boy and girl, both grown, and one grandchild.

Hobby(ies): I love listening to classical music and singing opera, reading, gardening, walking and good wine

PACIFIC SOUTHWEST SAFETY & HEALTH CONFERENCE

“Pacific Southwest Conference Ready to Launch”

Register now -- Conference is October 5 & 6 at the Handlery Hotel, Mission Valley.

This year's Pacific Southwest Safety Conference promises to be an exciting professional development opportunity. The committee incorporated several new conference features, including a third keynote presentation, a luncheon buffet and vendors' showcase, and participant CDs of the presentations. Focal topics include sustainability, a construction track and, not unexpectedly given the 10th anniversary of 9/11, emergency response. Our keynote addresses feature emergency management experts from the State of California, the County of San Diego and the City of San Diego, each with a different role and fresh perspective on what to expect when responding to an emergency. We'll learn about ways social media and modern communication methods impact response efforts, what it's like to be the subject of national television interest, and how a City balances ever expanding responsibilities with chronically shrinking budgets. This year we also feature several speakers new to the conference, who will share case studies and personal experiences that illustrate and enrich their professional expertise.

The Pacific Southwest Safety Conference, jointly hosted by the San Diego ASSE and AIHA, offers continuing education credits from ASSE, AIHA, COSS and CSP. Meals and parking are included in the registration price, which is \$275 for members and \$300 for non members. Single day rates are \$150 and \$195.

Any conference is made more exciting by the people we meet and the networks we form by attending -- so, please, share your excitement and information about the conference with friends, colleagues, students, vendors, contractors and associates. Subscribe to the conference blog to learn about our presenters and topics, at pacificswsafetyconference.wordpress.com, and register at www.pacificsw.org, where you can view the full schedule of conference topics and presenters.



Early Bird Discount Extended for Exhibitors:

Reserve by September 12 to Save \$100

With a busy summer, and its first Fall schedule, the Pacific Southwest Safety Conference Committee has approved an extended discount for exhibitors. Take advantage of a great opportunity to showcase your products or services to the areas safety, health, emergency response, and training professionals with a table at the conference. Or team up with a complimentary business to share an exhibit. The \$500 discounted exhibitor fee includes lunch, snacks and parking for two representatives both days of the conference. Greet participants during snack in exhibit areas, and introduce yourself when you personally award a raffle prize at Thursday's luncheon. Conference sponsors earn extra recognition. Learn more at www.pacificsw.org.

ASSE North County Section Meeting

Topic: Ergonomics in the workplace

When: Friday, October 07, 2011 11:30 AM-1:00 PM

Where: DEA Southwest Laboratory- 2815 Scott Street in Vista, Ca. 92081

Speaker: Barbara Tourtellott, OTR/L, CVE, CEA, President Fit to Work Inc.

(<http://www.fittoworkinc.com/staff.php> <<http://www.fittoworkinc.com/staff.php>>)

Food: Beverages and Sandwiches will be provided (\$10) please bring exact change or a check to ASSE San Diego

Security: There are hydraulic barriers and visitors must check-in with security before and after entering the premises. Bring valid government identification with picture, i.e. driver's license, is required. Visitors are requested to park in the lot to the right when entering and proceed to the lobby. Handicapped parking is available in front of the building.

CSP/ ASP Study Group

The ASP-CSP Study Group has resumed 4:30-6 PM each Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday at the Pacific Safety Council 1995 Via Pasar. Point of contact information E-mail: safetypat@gmail.com or cell phone (858) 335-1254 for Patrick McNamara.

Membership Committee – Steve Thompson

Are you looking to get involved with a San Diego ASSE Committee but have limited time or resources? Are you hesitant to serve because you “haven’t done anything like this before,” or you’re a “newbie” and “not sure how to get involved?” Are you a veteran ASSE’er and want to find ways to reach out to upcoming and/or veteran safety professionals and others with peripheral safety duties? Are you interested in spreading the word of safety throughout schools, associations, and other venues? Are you looking to expand your network as a safety professional?



As your incoming Membership Chair, I'm looking forward to having you join our Membership Team. There are only six spots open for our core group, so if you're interested, please let me know soon if you want to be a part of a GREAT TEAM! ~
Steve Thompson, sthompson@aspenrmg.com, 619/294-9863

Scholarship Opportunities for Student Members

We have scholarships available to Student Members. If interested in a scholarship, please check our website for an application.

Government Affairs - Suzanne May, ARM

Effective August 27, 2011: PSO §6755 and §6799.1: Revisions to §6755 and §6799.1

- §6755 provides a definition of “competent person” as well as clarifies the definition of “chain or wire rope access equipment” to refer to specialty devices specifically designed for constricted locations.
- NEW! §6799.1 provides general requirements for the use, load testing, maintenance and inspection of chain or wire rope access equipment, ensuring safe use through administrative procedures (use plan) and employee training

Effective September 9, 2011: Revisions to GISO Hazardous Liquids §§ 3302 and 3308 A Cal/OSHA citation was recently thrown out since the Division could not prove the liquid that burned a worker was actually hot. This revision revises the noted regulations and provides a performance based requirement to prevent employees from coming into contact with hazardous liquids. Currently, GISO §3480 does address this issue, but only in regards to vats, pans, tanks and similar installments. The §3480 regulation was not applicable in the noted case above and this prompted the need for the revision(s). <http://www.dir.ca.gov/oshsb/noticeJune2011.pdf>

Effective September 4, 2011: Revisions to CSO §1504, §1600, §1602-1603.1 Work Over or Near Water. Cal/OSHA adopted a standard that was at least as stringent as the federal standard. Additional cross references were added, and the rulemaking contains nonsubstantive, editorial and grammatical revisions.

- §1504 defines Jacob's ladders
- §1600 requires that barges or floats that support pile driving operations over water meet requirements of CSO Article 13. CSO Article 13 will now contain provisions at least as effective as 29 CFR 1926.605.
- §1602 will now require that there be ladder access from the top of the apron to the surface of the water. This will now match the federal regulation.
- §1603 will now be renamed “*Access to or from Wharves, Floats, Barges and/or Boats*” and will include a broader list of requirements for vehicular and personnel



access to or from wharves, floats, barges and/or boats, including vehicle access ramps, gangways, and Jacob's ladders. Previously the verbiage was only for walkways on dredge discharge pipe lines and requirements for catwalks and platforms.

- §1603.1 Working Surfaces of Barges is a new section! This standard will close a gap and will adopt the federal standards which include requirements for safe passage over or around deck loads and for fall protection when working on deck loads.

<http://www.dir.ca.gov/oshsb/NoticeMay2011.pdf>

OSHA Update

OSHA has updated its standards regulating slings for general industry (§1910.184) and construction (§1926.251) **This final rule becomes effective on July 8, 2011**

In summary, the new changes include:

Removing all the load capacity tables for slings that were in the previous OSHA standards

Sling Markings - Employers now must use only slings with permanently affixed identification markings that show the maximum load capacity for each sling.

Shackle Markings - The final rule also provides similar protection for shackles, requiring them to also show rated capacity.

In the past, some companies did not require the wire rope slings being used at their sites to be marked with a tag and/or rated capacity. And based on the original OSHA 1910 regulations, it wasn't required. **Now, with this change, ALL wire rope slings must be marked - no exceptions!**

The load capacity tables previously designated in these OSHA standards, were based on the 1971 ASME/ANSI B30.9 standard, are now obsolete and no longer conform to the load capacity tables of the updated B30.9 industry standards. The outdated tables are being replaced with a requirement that prohibits employers from loading slings in excess of the recommended safe working load as shown on the permanently affixed identification markings.

Basically - this revision prohibits the use of any sling that does not have a permanently affixed identification tag.

Full details can be found in this document:

Federal Register/Vol. 76, No. 110/Wednesday, June 8, 2011/Rules and Regulations/Page: 33590

You can download this new change to the standard at this URL:

http://www.osha.gov/FedReg_oseha_pdf/FED20110608.pdf



County of San Diego Office of Emergency Services (OES)

With the 10th anniversary of the 9/11 attacks upon us the County of San Diego has launched a public education campaign on how to spot the Eight Signs of Terrorism and asks that "If You See Something, Say Something". Local law enforcement and the Office of Emergency Services encourages all employees, security officials and risk management staff to log onto www.ReadySanDiego.org to watch a short video and public service announcement on the Eight Signs of Terrorism. The video is a perfect backdrop to staff meetings, association meetings or other gatherings. We encourage residents to report suspicious activity to local law enforcement agencies. For more information on the Eight Signs of Terrorism please direct your employees, security, and risk management to the link provided: [Eight Signs of Terrorism](#), on ReadySanDiego.org."

Additional thoughts on 9/11 from Sam Cahan in Letter to editor August 26, 2011

Dear Editor

There will be many somber services for the 343 brother firefighters who died at the World Trade Center on 9/11 ten years ago. Although retired from FDNY for many years, my kinship with New York City and all firefighters remains strong.

In my years on the job I've encountered collapsed buildings, seen people in panic, have witnessed many injuries and deaths. The 9/11 disaster was inconceivable and surreal. No building code writer ever envisioned protecting a structure from a 20,000 gallon gasoline "bomb" delivered by aircraft that would collapse a modern building.

In my mind I intensely shared the incredible challenges experienced by the 9/11 firefighters in their attempt to help the injured and save lives---all to no avail.

The tremendous loss of lives at the World Trade Center must always be a reminder that evildoers are pledged to harm us. We must continue to be vigilant and take every step to never let this happen again to America.

Samuel Cahan
Battalion Chief (Ret)
FDNY
Saratoga Springs, NY



UP COMING EVENTS and USEFUL LINKS



If

If you have an upcoming event or a useful link please contact our Newsletter Editor if you have an upcoming event or a useful link you would like to share with the rest of the membership.

RIMS San Diego Half Day Seminar

Focus on: "Managing Claims Costs in Tough Economic Times"

Date: September 22, 2011

Go to web site for details: Rims San Diego

"From our friends at RIMS – an opportunity to serve and make community-wide contributions. Please give it a thought and contact Kimberly at the e-mail below. Let's show the community that ASSE'rs can help make a difference as well.

Thanks – Dan"

COMMUNITY SERVICE OPPORTUNITY

Volunteer opportunity with the SAN DIEGO FOOD BANK

Thursday, October 6, 2011, from 6–8 pm

Last year's hard-working volunteers boxed 362 boxes, 12,670 pounds of food, and 9,898 meals in less than two hours. Sign up today by emailing Kim Pinkerton at Kim.Pinkerton@gmail.com. Help the community in which you live with fellow chapter members, co-workers, friends, family and colleagues.

Useful links

<http://ehstoday.com/safety/management/cosh-top-workplace-tragedies-0105/#>

Top 10 safety disasters of 2010

Canadian Centre for Occupational Health and Safety CCOHS

<http://www.ccohs.ca/newsletters/hsreport/issues/2011/01/ezone.html#lastword>

Interesting e-training, resources and posters for April 28 Day of Mourning

Fire hazard on compressors <http://www.cpsc.gov/cpsc/pub/prerel/prhtml11/11117.html>

Safety Exchange of America (SEA)

The SEA website has a great deal of useful information including safety talks, video clips and links to even more information. Check it out at: www.emeetingplace.com/



Pacific Safety Council

Find the classes you need on the training page at: www.pscsd.com
Pacific Safety Council, 9880 Via Pasar, Suite F, San Diego, CA 92126

Check out [OSHA Training Blog](#) written by a fellow ASSE member (Curtis Chambers, CSP). It may be useful to you and others in staying abreast of important OSHA compliance matters.

Construction Mixer - Loss Prevention

Higgs Fletcher & Mack Construction Department

Who: Various Construction-Affiliated Industries

What: Food, Drinks & Discussion on Loss Prevention

When: Thursday, September 22, 2011 5:30 – 7:30 p.m.

Where: Higgs Fletcher & Mack 401 West A Street, Suite 2600 San Diego, California

Topic: Loss Prevention

RSVP: To Amy Clark at (619) 236-1551 or clarka@higgslaw.com by September 15
Beverages sponsored by S.C. Wright Construction, Inc.

Employment Opportunities: <http://jobline.sandiegoasse.org/>

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