



February 6th Meeting Topic:

Overview of Incentive Programs & Progress toward Implementing AB 617 including Community Air Protection Programs

Are you aware of the very large District Incentives Program to help get us to our clean air goals? Have you looked into how this can help your operation? Have you heard about community-based air pollution mitigation programs? Did you know that Shafter is the focus of just such an activity? How does this statewide program



affect Shafter, and what opportunities will it provide for other communities going forward? If you do not know the answers to these questions, come hear Mr. Oldershaw, Compliance Manager with the San Joaquin Valley Air Pollution Control District, as he discusses AB 617 Implementation and an Overview of the District Incentives Program.

About our Speaker:

Mike Oldershaw, Compliance Manager—SJVAPCD

Mike was born and raised in Bakersfield. He has BS and MS degrees in Geology. He started his career in the oil industry working as an exploration geologist. He joined the District in 1993 and has worked in compliance since then. He is currently the manager for the Southern Region Compliance Department, which covers Kern and most of Tulare County. He is retiring in February!!



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20th Annual Bakersfield ASSP Symposium



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Wednesday, March 20, 2019
Rabobank Convention Center, Bakersfield, CA

Bakersfield ASSP Monthly Meetings

Monthly meetings are held from 7:00-8:45am on the first Wednesday of the month at Hodel's Country Dining (5917 Knudsen Drive, Bakersfield CA 93308). Cost of meeting attendance is \$13 and includes breakfast buffet or custom-crafted omelet (cash/check/credit/debit cards are accepted).

The cost is only \$5 for Student and Emeritus Members of ASSP.

Your RSVP is appreciated!

Contact Fred Hrenchir at (661) 201-2651 to RSVP for the upcoming meeting.



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Bakersfield Chapter Study Group



The Professional Development Study group meets the first and third Tuesday of each month from 6:00 p.m. — 7:30 p.m. at Continental Labor and Staffing [900 Mohawk St, Suite 120].

This study group is comprised of safety professionals seeking certifications at all levels from the Board of Certified Safety Professionals (BCSP).

Anyone can join the group at any time; this is a “go at your own pace” study group. The only purchases required are study materials and a calculator. Most participants are using TI-30XIIS.

We study from materials offered by SPAN International Training. You can purchase the work books from:



www.spansafetyworkshops.com

Please direct emails to **Heath Taylor** if you have questions on which set of books you need to purchase.



Professional
Development Chair



Occupational Safety & Health Standards Board

The Occupational Safety & Health Standards Board (OSHSB) meeting is where California stakeholders can attend and be heard on issues relating to the current and future enforceable standards that exist to ensure the health and safety of California workers. For more information on the OSHSB, visit: www.dir.ca.gov/oshsb
You can view the agendas for past and future meetings [here](#).

Professional Development Update

Let us know about your professional development successes!

Certification info at www.bcsp.org.

“Member on the Move”

Congrats to **Shane Baird** for starting a new position as Project Engineer at Papich Construction Company, Inc.

Congrats to **Mike Kileen** for starting a new position as Corporate Safety Director at MP Environmental Services, Inc.



Congrats to **Rob Reynaga** for starting a new position as Alarm Service Superintendent at RLH Fire Protection.

New Construction Health and Safety Technician (CHST) Exam Released

BCSP released the CHST4 on November 26, 2018.

Beta testing for the new exam was completed earlier in 2018, and information gathered during the beta test was used in the validation of the examination's items by a psychometrician, ensuring the continuing quality of the examination.

SH&E practitioners who aim to achieve the CHST have access to the new examination's blueprint and the Self-Assessment publication.

The CHST4's blueprint and references can be found on the **CHST webpage**.



A Look Ahead

March 6th Topic: Taming the Black Swan

Speaker: Lisa Rollans, Manager—Process Safety & Risk Management, Aera Energy LLC

EHS professionals know the importance of reporting all incidents, no matter how minor, but is it really worth it? Lisa will discuss the Black Swan Theory and how weak signals (AKA minor incidents) play a critical role in avoiding catastrophic events.

Lisa Rollans is a Process Manager who partners with field operations and health and safety professionals to help ensure Every Day – Everybody Goes Home Alive & Well. After spending over two decades working in oil and gas operations, Lisa transitioned to the challenges of OSHA process safety management (PSM) and EPA risk management program (RMP) compliance. Lisa is a certified professional auditor with The Institute of Internal Auditors and holds a certificate in Total Quality Management from CSUB.

A Look Ahead



Welcome New Members

Although guests are **always** welcome, ASSP loves it when new members join. Here are a few of the most recent new members. If you see them at an ASSP function, please give them a friendly welcome.

Chris Vochoska - Membership Chair



Gary Carruesco



Tim Hatton
Pro Tool Services

Michaela Holguin
Student Member

Leslie Soto
Sun Pacific

Kyle Stepp
Student Member

Patty Valdez
Sun Pacific

“Thank You”

**Gary Chambers, Christian Diaz, &
Nancy Weinstein**

Thank you for sponsoring new chapter members. Folks like you, who get the word out about ASSP, are the ones who really help our Chapter and the profession grow!



ASSP Bakersfield Chapter New Member Promotion

New Member Promotion - Join the Bakersfield Chapter & use promo code 191BAKERSFIELD to waive the \$25 application fee & receive a \$25 Restaurant.com gift card.

Apply at <https://www.assp.org/membership/apply-to-join>

Bakersfield Chapter Membership Drawing

Each year the ASSP Bakersfield Chapter holds an End of Year Membership Drawing. The goals of this drawing are:

1. To provide a benefit to Bakersfield Chapter membership.
2. To encourage members to attend Bakersfield Chapter monthly meetings.

How does it work? For each meeting a Bakersfield Chapter Member attends, a chance is added to the drawing pool (e.g. attend 12 chapter meetings as a chapter member = 12 chances in the pool).

An Awards and Honors Committee representative will use member names present on the 12 Membership Update Reports to establish the drawing pool.

What is the giveaway? The intent is to provide a one-time reimbursement for a “Weekend Get Away of Travel” for \$500.

And the Winner is...



Sandra Monroy, with Wonderful Citrus
2018 Winner—Bakersfield Chapter Membership Drawing

End of Year Bakersfield Chapter Membership Drawing Past Winners

Drawing Winner History

2004	Frank Rosenlieb
2005	Bill Ronge
2006	Norm Fox
2007	Ernie Earnest
2008	Frank Beattie
2009	Kim Lawler
2010	Albert Lopez
2011	Gary Chambers
2012	Ben Lavery III
2013	Guy Waski
2014	Dave Crow
2015	Robby Deford
2016	Stephanie Hall
2017	Greg May





WISE

Women in Safety Excellence

Get involved with

WISE stands for **Women In Safety Excellence**, but don't let the name fool you. We welcome anyone interested in the advancement of women in EHS and other safety-related professions.

Bakersfield WISE is a very active part of the Chapter. We invite all WISE women, WISE guys, and guests to participate in our monthly meetings and activities.

Our Objectives:

- ⇒ Fostering an environment that allows members to share ideas
- ⇒ Promoting EHS in our community
- ⇒ Networking to strengthen professional relationships
- ⇒ Advancing the professional development of our members
- ⇒ Mentoring women

Upcoming Meetings & Events

February

Halos Facility Tour

Date: Wednesday February 20

Time: 4:45—6:00 PM

Where: Wonderful Company's
Halos Facility

1701 South Lexington Street
Delano, California

See Flyer on Page 9

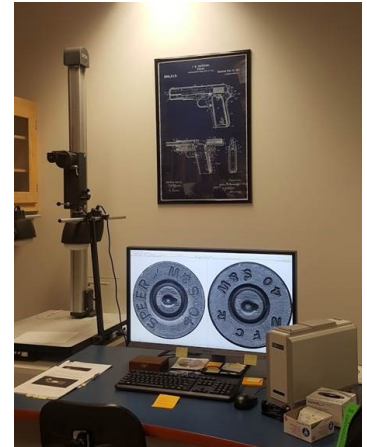
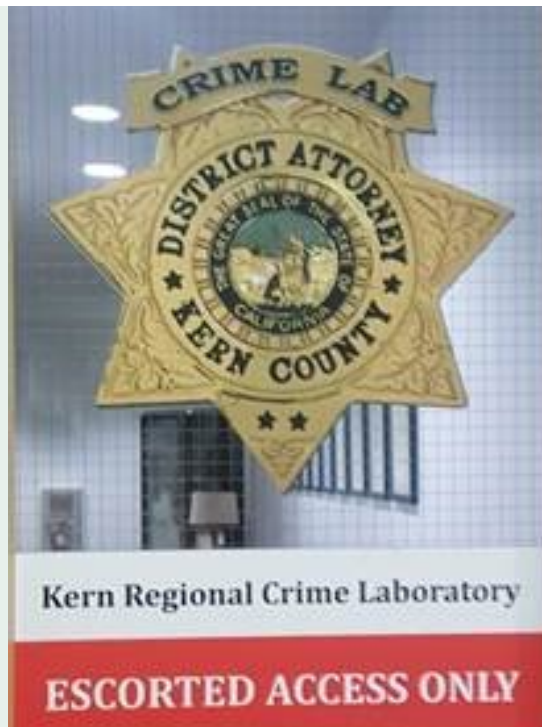
March

WISE Lounge at the Bakersfield Symposium

Volunteers needed to man the
room during breaks.

Date: Wednesday March 20

For more information, please email
your Bakersfield WISE Chair [Lisa
Marriott-Smith](#) or join us
on [Facebook!](#)



Ever wondered what the perks of being involved in Bakersfield WISE are? Well how about Special Invitation only facility tours like the one in November.

15 Bakersfield Wise members enjoyed a fascinating tour provided by the director of the Kern County Crime Lab, Mrs. Tammie Noe.



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Government Affairs

Terry Ellis
Government
Affairs Chair



The following information was recently sent out from OSHA

The U.S. Department of Labor's Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) has issued a proposed rule to revise the beryllium standard for general industry. The proposed changes are designed to clarify the standard, and to simplify or improve compliance with the standard.

The [proposed rule](#) would amend selected paragraphs of the [standard](#), including "Definitions," "Methods of Compliance," "Personal Protective Clothing and Equipment," "Hygiene Areas and Practices," "Housekeeping," "Medical Surveillance," "Hazard Communication," and "Recordkeeping." It would also remove the existing Appendix A, which lists suggested controls, and replace it with a new Appendix A, Operations for Establishing Beryllium Work Areas.

Comments, hearing requests, and other information must be submitted electronically at <http://www.regulations.gov>, the Federal eRulemaking Portal, or by facsimile or mail. Read the [Federal Register notice](#) for submission details. Comments must be submitted by February 9, 2019. The enforcement date for the provisions affected by this proposal was December 12, 2018. While this rulemaking is pending, compliance with the standard as modified by this proposal will be accepted as compliance.

The proposal satisfies a settlement agreement with stakeholders that had concerns about some of the provisions in the 2017 beryllium final rule. The proposed rule would affect approximately 50,500 workers employed in general industry, and is estimated to yield minor net cost savings to employers. OSHA expects the proposed changes would provide employees with equivalent safety and health protections to the current standard.

Under the Occupational Safety and Health Act of 1970, employers are responsible for providing safe and healthful workplaces for their employees. OSHA's role is to help ensure these conditions for America's working men and women by setting and enforcing standards and providing training, education and assistance. For more information, visit www.osha.gov.

No Cost Classes at Westec

Westec offers no cost safety classes to ASSP members transitioning between jobs who have no financial backing. All Veterans without financial support are also eligible for no cost safety classes.

<https://www.westec.org>



Key Facts About ASSP

- Founded in 1911, we are the longest-running safety society and the most respected advocate for workplace safety and health professionals.
- Our more than 37,000 members are dedicated to making their workplaces safer and healthier, and we share in their commitment.
- We are the preferred source for education among occupational safety and health (OSH) professionals—accredited by the [International Association for Continuing Education and Training](#) (IACET), and authorized to offer IACET CEUs for programs that qualify under the [ANSI/IACET standard](#).
- We connect great people to great resources — supporting more than 150 chapter communities in the United States and abroad, as well as practice specialties, common interest groups and student communities that enable OSH professionals to engage on a global scale.



Become a Member!

Guests: Complete application at www.assp.org.

Students: Join for **only \$15/year** and receive a free year membership upon your graduation (wow!)-what a great deal!

As an ASSP member, you will elevate your career, gain knowledge, tools and resources to prevent worker injuries, illnesses and fatalities, help improve your company's performance, and become part of a vibrant community of over 37,000 safety professionals working together for a safer, stronger future.



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For comments or suggestions on ways we can improve this newsletter as a service to you, our members, please contact Gary Ray via email at rayg@kerncounty.com.



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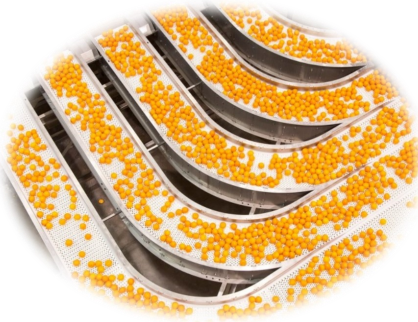
WISE

Women in Safety Excellence

Bakersfield Chapter



All WISE members, ASSP members and guests (aged 13 or over) are invited to take a tour of Wonderful Citrus' state-of-the-art Halos packing facility led by the facility's EHS Manager, Oscar Tenorio.



- * **When:** Wednesday, February 20th
- * **Where:** Meet in the Halos' Facility Lobby at 4:45pm
1701 South Lexington St, Delano, CA
- * **Attire:** Long pants & closed-toe shoes. No jewelry.
- * **RSVP:** wise@bakersfield.assp.org

Tour is limited to the first 25 RSVPs