

# THE PLEDGE

*WORKING TOGETHER FOR A SAFER, STRONGER FUTURE*

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# July 6, 2022 Chapter Meeting

**Jared McKnight, RIMS-CRMP, CRIS, CSP, OHST**

## **Risk Management – Enabling Risk-Based Decisions by Looking at the Big Picture**

*This presentation is intended to challenge the way the safety practitioner looks at risk by looking at risk from an enterprise level and understanding where health, safety, and environmental risks fall in priority. First priority, right? Guess again. In fact, that thinking is not only a fallacy, but a business sustainability death wish. Understanding where your department's risk sits at an enterprise level will gain you credibility and efficiency while allowing a more formidable foundation for a progressive and SUSTAINABLE safety culture.*

*Learning Objectives – 1) Learn how to leverage the inherent risk management skill in all of us. 2) Learn to see the big picture of organizational risk and reduce tendencies of being "safety-selfish." 3) Walk away knowing what needs to be done to understand where YOUR risks fall into the organization's priority list; when to fight, and when to settle.*

Attend in person at Hodel's (7:00AM-8:45AM) or attend via Zoom - [register here](#).



Jared is Safesite's Regional Vice President over risk control efforts in the Western states for multiple high-hazard industries.

# Become an ASSP Member

*General Membership is under \$200 per year!*

*Complete the [online application](#) today.*

*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.*



Complete the Membership application at [www.assp.org](http://www.assp.org).

# OSHA Heat Illness Prevention

OSHA's revised Heat Illness Prevention webpage consolidates resources to keep workers safe indoors and outdoors, which includes general education, employer's responsibility, worker information, first aid and emergency response, recognizing heat hazards, sun safety infographics, and hydration tips.

Find more information at <https://www.osha.gov/heat>.



Every year, dozens of workers die and thousands more become ill while working in hot or humid conditions. The OSHA Heat Illness Prevention campaign educates employers and workers on the dangers of working in the heat.



## Heat Illness General Education

Heat illness is serious, but you can prevent it.

[Learn More](#)



## Employer's Responsibility

Employers can keep workers safe in the heat.

[Learn More](#)



## Worker Information

Understand workers' rights and what workers should know about heat illness.

[Learn More](#)

SIGNS OF

HEAT EXHAUSTION	HEAT STROKE
DIZZINESS & FAINTING	THROBBING HEADACHE
EXCESSIVE SWEATING	NO SWEATING
RAPID, WEAK PULSE	RAPID, STRONG PULSE
NAUSEA OR VOMITING	NAUSEA OR VOMITING
COOL, PALE CLAMMY SKIN	RED, HOT DRY SKIN
MUSCLE CRAMPS	MAY LOSE CONSCIOUSNESS

An infographic showing a stylized human figure with a heart and a pulse line. The figure is split vertically, with the left side in orange and the right side in red. A lightning bolt is above the head, and a thermometer is on the right side. The figure is surrounded by text describing signs of heat exhaustion and heat stroke.

# As a member of the American Society of Safety Professionals, did you know that you have access to a wide variety of discussion boards?

Log in to your account and go to <https://community.assp.org/discuss>.

Browse the various categories including safety technical talk, customer service, community chatter, and COVID-19. Each category has a host of individual posts related to that topic.

For example, safety technical talk has posts on warehouse safety, radiation exposure, virtual reality training, confined space entry, state reporting, emergency showers, fire drills, safety auditing, and so much more!



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COMMUNITY



# The ASSP Community

## Forums Category List

### How to Use The ASSP Community 47 Topics

Learn how to use and engage with ASSP Communities from uploading a file to participating on a discussion thread.

### Safety Technical Talk 723 Topics

Post your questions and get answers on how to solve industry specific, real-world issues

### Customer Service 37 Topics

Get answers from ASSP Customer Service representatives on membership, events, and offerings.

### Community Chatter 504 Topics

Use this discussion category for general discussion and uncategorizable ideas!

### Personal Protective Equipment 9 Topics

### Workplace Violence 5 Topics

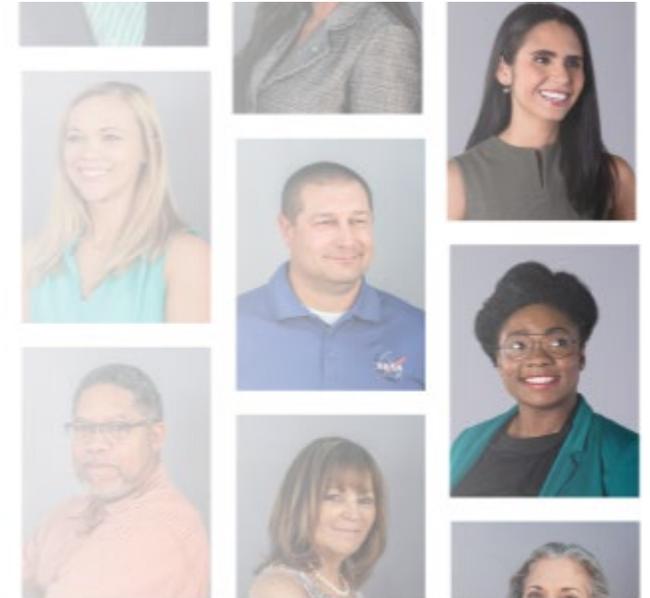
### Leadership 11 Topics

### Construction 67 Topics

Join the Construction Practice Specialty for access to a network of safety subject matter experts within the construction industry, as well as relevant industry education and information.

### Public Sector 231 Topics

Join the Public Sector Practice Specialty community for access to a network of public sector safety subject-matter experts, as well as relevant industry education and information.



# Susan Harwood Training Grants

The [U.S. Department of Labor](#) announced a funding opportunity for \$11.7 million in [Susan Harwood Training Grants](#) to support the delivery of training and education to help workers and employers identify and prevent workplace safety and health hazards.

Administered by the department's [Occupational Safety and Health Administration](#), the grants will target disadvantaged, underserved, low-income, and other hard-to-reach, at-risk workers and employers. The grants are available to non-profit organizations, including community-based, faith-based, grassroots organizations, employer associations, labor unions, joint labor/management associations, Indian tribes, and public/state colleges and universities.

Submit applications no later than 11:59 p.m. EDT on Aug. 1, 2022. Applicants must register with [grants.gov](#) and the System of Award Management to apply.

## Susan Harwood Training Grant Program

Visit the [Department of Labor Grants](#) page for information on all competitive grant programs.

New grant opportunities open until August 1, 2022.

Program Information

For Applicants and Grantees

Grantee-Developed Training

[Announcements of Funding and Awards](#)

[Program Overview](#)

[FAQs](#)

Contact OSHA by Email or  
Phone: 847-725-7805.

**For Applicants**

Learn About Funding Opportunities,  
Apply Using Grants.gov, and More

**For Grantees**

- See Grant Requirements
- Learn How to Develop and Evaluate Your Training

[By Topic](#)

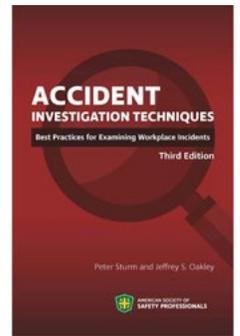
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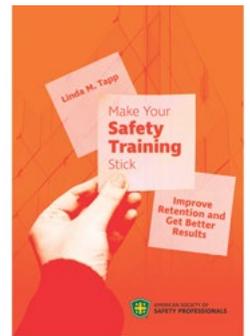


# Resources from ASSP

The latest edition of ASSP's best-selling book *Accident Investigation Techniques: Best Practices for Examining Workplace Incidents* by Peter Sturm and Jeffrey S. Oakley, features the latest research on incident investigation techniques, and addresses theory, organization, data analysis, reporting, and follow-up steps. Member price is \$36 and can be [purchased here](#).



*Make Your Safety Training Stick* by Linda M. Tapp explains and demonstrates proven methods for helping trainees to remember more of what they learn. The techniques can be used within any industry and by anyone responsible for creating and delivering safety training. Member price is \$48 and can be [purchased here](#).



# Safety Training – Bakersfield College

Bakersfield College is pleased to offer several short courses in electrical safety, which combined earn a certificate in electrical safety. Taught by Health Taylor, CESSCP, CSP, the courses are offered for credit or non-credit. There is no charge for non-credit courses. Each course will be held over two Saturdays from 8:00am-12:30pm (9 hours each).

- 1) OSRM B63 Introduction to NFPA 70E – July 16 & 23
- 2) OSRM B70 Advanced Electrical Safety & NFPA 70E – August 20 & 27

Instruction covers the basics of electrical safety, including associated hazards, the hierarchy of control and its application in controlling electrical hazards. Advanced instruction on arc flash and arc blast protection will also be covered.

Current students can register through the Bakersfield College website. New students should contact below for registration assistance.

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# ASSP Industry News & Articles

1. [5 Tips You Need to Pass Your Safety Certification Exam](#) – Earning a safety certification is a milestone for many in the EHS profession. But to get certified, you first must pass your certification exam. Five tips to help you prepare.
2. [Selecting Flame Resistant Gloves](#) – Learn about current workplace challenges related to workers wearing gloves and how safety managers and other buyers can choose gloves that confer proper protection and support wearability.
3. [The "I" in "Team": Inspections as a Team Sport](#) – Check out this 45 minute recording to gain practical guidance on how to pull everyone together to reduce time lost to shutdowns, create efficiencies, and ensure safer workplaces that will ultimately enhance your organization's reputation.

## **August 3, 2022 Chapter Meeting**

# **Active Shooter - Situational Awareness at and Away from the Workplace**

*We have been trained to Run, Hide or Fight. This presentation will help us plan and execute as an organization and as individuals by reading body language cues, positioning ourselves to escape and know what to do if you are grabbed.*

*Roosevelt (Rosie) Scott, Jr. is the owner of Triple Threat Solutions. He started his personal protection journey in the U.S. Marine Corps as a Weapons and Tactics instructor and has taught everything from handguns to heavy machineguns. In the Marines, Roosevelt was a team leader of a Special Response Team, which provided security for executives of the U.S. Department of Energy. Roosevelt trained with the L.A.P.D. SWAT, British Special Air Service, the FBI'S Hostage Rescue Team, Israeli Anti-terrorist Team, and numerous other teams around the world.*

**We encourage you to attend in person at Hodel's!**

**Roosevelt Scott Jr.  
Owner - Triple Threat  
Solutions**



**TRIPLE THREAT  
SOLUTIONS**  
*Hazardous in every way...  
(for the bad guys)*



**Our New  
Chapter Member!**

- Susana Ayon – Panama-Buena Vista USD
- Melissa Camacho - State Compensation Insurance Fund
- Gladys Gonzalez, Mayra Montano & Clay Wattenbarger - Wonderful Citrus
- Sarah Medina, Jessica Quijano & Scott Hall - United States Cold Storage
- Loreana Medina - Monterey Regional Waste Management District
- Moses Garcia - Student Member
- Joey Daddario - Aera Energy LLC
  - Julian Thorley - ARB Inc.
- Juan De La Torre - POM Wonderful

*thanks for  
joining us!*



# NEW CHAPTER MEMBERS

# EHS Professionals on the Move!

- ❖ **Virgil Smith**, Site Manager – Robert Heely Construction
- ❖ **Doug Koenig**, Field Environmental Supervisor – Aera Energy LLC
- ❖ **Brian Berry**, Environmental Land Supervisor – Aera Energy LLC
- ❖ **Elizabeth Hollman**, H&S Supervisor Valley Teams – Aera Energy LLC
- ❖ **Manuel Jaramillo**, EHS Specialist – Virgin Galactic
- ❖ **Julie Redenius**, HES/BD Manager – CalCoast Acidizing



Virgil, Doug, Brian, Elizabeth, Manuel, and Julie pictured

# Construction Practice Specialty

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ASSP's Construction Practice Specialty member community is committed to advancing safety in the construction industry by providing you, as an ASSP member, with the education and networking opportunities you need for your professional growth and understanding of worksite safety.

Thanks to the 16 folks from 13 organizations who attended the June 23 ASSP Bakersfield Construction Practice Specialty Lunch Meeting. The meeting was hosted by A-C Electric Company. This was the first meeting sponsored by the newly formed Construction Practice Specialty Group.

“We had some very good discussions around the challenges of contractor pre-qualification programs and tips on how to make those processes flow a little smoother, said Bob Mahan, Practice Specialty Chair.

These meetings are open to chapter members and guests that support safety in the construction industry. The next chapter construction specialty lunch meeting is planned for September. The date and location will be announced when finalized.



# A Little About ASSP

ASSP publishes the [Professional Safety Journal](#): a flagship monthly journal and top member benefit covering the latest safety management and injury prevention trends.

Our more than 40,000 members are dedicated to making their workplaces safer and healthier, and the Bakersfield Chapter shares in their commitment.

ASSP members create safer work environments by preventing workplace fatalities, injuries and illnesses. Safer organizations enjoy increased productivity, higher employee satisfaction, and a better reputation while recording less lost time, and lower workers' compensation and healthcare costs.

If you are looking for job postings, find current opportunities shared with the Chapter on the [Chapter website](#).

You can find Chapter Documents, Member Updates, Newsletters, and Presentations on our [Chapter Library page](#).

Is your company looking for a qualified safety professional? Contact [Chris Vochoska](#) to have the opening posted on this page.

For comments or suggestions on ways we can improve this newsletter as a service to you, our members, please contact Dave Lee at [leed@kerncounty.com](mailto:leed@kerncounty.com).



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