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In these tough economic times where resources are thin and uncertainty abounds, the American Society of Safety Engineers remains steadfast in its support of our valuable profession. The wealth of information available through the society is unlimited as are the opportunities to network with your peers and to support your local chapter. Thank you for your continued membership.

Sincerely,

Ron Graves

CoPs Update

Council on Practice Standards (CoPs) is a division of ASSE that coordinates the activities of Practice Specialty Groups and Special Interest Groups within ASSE. Each of us as members has the opportunity to join a Practice Specialty Group that is of interest to us when we renew our membership. You may receive periodic e-mails inviting your participation in these groups or providing you with additional information on topics of interest to that specialty group. As of January, 2009 all Practice Specialty Publications will be sent to you ONLY in digital format, which means it is critical that ASSE has your accurate e-mail address. If you are receiving this newsletter via e-mail, you can rest assured that your local chapter has the accurate address. If you are not receiving any e-mail from National ASSE they probably do not have your accurate e-mail address. You can update that information via www.asse.org.

Several new Special Interest Groups have recently been established. To establish a Special Interest Group there must be at least 500 interested members signed up. The group also must have published at least 3 newsletters in the past year. Each group must have a Chair and Vice-Chair appointed and develop a strategic plan. Thus, you can be sure when you join a Special Interest Group that it has enough membership to be of value to you. New groups include:

- Human Resources Branch—this Special Interest Group falls under the Management Practice Specialty and is an obvious match for many members that are responsible for Human Resources functions within their organization in addition to EH&S responsibilities, or have personal interest in that area.
- Fire Protection Branch—this was previously a branch of the Engineering Practice Specialty, and has now developed their own group.
- Young Professionals in SH&E—this new Common Interest Group's target audience is graduating seniors from colleges and universities and professionals entering the SH&E field mid-career. Anyone is welcome with up to 7 years' experience in SH&E.

Consider joining a Special Interest Group and getting more involved at both National and Local levels of ASSE. Like many volunteer opportunities your rewards often match the amount of involvement you put into an organization. In this difficult economic environment, it is vitally important to maximize our effectiveness and network with other professionals. You never know when that "volunteer effort" reaps BIG rewards!

Here's a Second Chance!

Due to a rain-out on October 17th, the Triad ASSE/LEPC Golf tournament has been rescheduled for November 14th. First T-time is at 12:30 p.m. This is a great opportunity to meet new colleagues and spend a Friday afternoon on the golf course. Proceeds benefit the Clarice Garrett Scholarship Fund. Register Today!

New - The ASSE Award Store

ASSE is pleased to announce the opening of the ASSE Award Store. ASSE has teamed up with Safety Promo to bring you this new and exciting benefit designed to improve visibility, generate revenue and meet the need for specific customer imprinted safety and service awards for your chapter, region or company.

The Award Store also features products online at www.asseawardstore.com. If you need additional product ideas please call the award store, operated by Safety Promo directly at 1-877-292-7302 or email them at customerservice@asseawardstore.com and one of the Safety Promo customer service representatives would be happy to help you.

Note: Ron Graves has a supply of printed catalogs—contact him or pick up a copy at the next meeting.

Local Career Opportunities

Plant Manager	Diebold, Inc.	Lexington, NC
Engineering/Mfg. Manager	AMETEK	Whitsett, NC
Building Inspector	Ingersoll Rand	Mocksville, NC
Risk Coordinator, Food Safety	The Fresh Market	Greensboro, NC
Skansa USA Building, Inc.	EHS Director	Durham, NC

This space is reserved for career opportunities related to safety and risk management within a 100 mile radius of Greensboro, NC. If you would like to submit information to be included in the next newsletter, contact Elesa Hurley at ehurley@keyrisk or Javonn Peaks at jpeaks@senndunn.com. Listings will run for 2 months unless you extend them by advising Elesa or Javonn the position is still open. More detailed information on these positions can be found at www.triadasse.org or www.asse.org.

Mark your calendar now for these upcoming events!

<u>Date</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Place</u>
11/18	November Meeting	5:30 PM	American Express
12/3	Holiday Social	4-6 PM	Natty Greene's
1/13/09	January Meeting	11:30 AM	Logan's Roadhouse



*Watch your e-mail and our website for more information
Lunch meetings—Networking at 11:30, Lunch at 12:00.
Evening Meetings—Networking at 5:30 PM, Dinner at 6:00 P.M.*

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Professional Development Opportunities

Region VIII New England Area PDC, November 18-19, Worcester, MA

Solutions in Construction Safety Symposium, November 20-21, Scottsdale, AZ

Building a Successful Safety Culture Symposium, January 22-23, 2009, Costa Mesa, CA

Seminarfest 2009, February 8-14, 2009, Las Vegas, NV

Members, take note!

Have you updated your e-mail address recently? If not, you could be missing important information from ASSE!

What information would you like to see in YOUR newsletter? Would you like to contribute an article on a topic of interest to you? If so, contact Elesa Hurley at ehurley@keyrisk.com or Ron Graves, at rgraves3@triad.rr.com.

Check out www.ASSE.org and

