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Treasurer

- Maintain all financial records of the Chapter
- Supervise the receipt and disbursement of funds
- Maintain Chapter funds in a depository
- Complete the annual chapter dues report
- Complete the Chapter's annual audited income & expense statement

Assembly Delegate

- Represent the Chapter at the annual House of Delegates meeting
- Keep the Chapter informed of Assembly actions and proposed actions
- Act on Assembly ballots on behalf of the Chapter

Chairs

Programs Chair

- Arrange time, location and menu for Chapter meetings
- Obtain one or more speakers for each meeting
- Meet and introduce speakers to the membership
- Arrange for equipment needed by speakers
- Arrange meeting room set up and meal service

Newsletter Chair

- Research material for the Chapter newsletter
- Solicit articles from Chapter members
- Publish and disseminate a monthly newsletter to the membership
- Email the newsletters to the webmaster for posting on the Chapter website

Council on Practice Specialties (CoPS) Chair

- Keep abreast of the activities taking place within the Society's practice specialties
- Inform members of new practice specialties within ASSE
- Encourage members to join one or more practice specialties
- Monitor the various practice specialty newsletters

Council on Political Affairs (CoPA) Chair

- Keep abreast of governmental affairs and legislation that affect the safety and health profession on a national and state level
- Identify issues that ASSE is actively supporting
- Provide timely updates to the membership
- Encourage the members to become active in those issues that could affect the profession

Jobs Chair

- Provide employment information at meetings and to members as needed
- Forward employment information to the Newsletter Chair for publication
- Forward employment information to the Website Chair for posting

Website Chair

- Receive information from Executive Committee members
- Forward information to the Society webmaster for posting to the Triad Chapter website
- Work with the Society webmaster on the website design and content
- Update information regularly on the website.

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Public Relations Chair

Establish a public relations program

Organize, schedule and provide oversight for Chapter special events

Submit Chapter events to the local media

Once again, if you’re interested or there is someone you think would serve well in one of these positions, please notify one of the current officers.

Ron Graves, President

Career Opportunities

The current state of the economy has affected many of our members and/or their families. This space is devoted to free advertisement of safety-related openings that might be of interest to our membership. No new postings have been received recently. Please contact Elesa Hurley or Javonn Peaks if you would like to list an opening here and on our website. Check the website for more details if you are interested.

Upcoming Meetings

Mark your calendar now for these upcoming events!

<u>Date</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Place</u>
2/16	Joint Meeting with A&T Student Section	Noon	A&T Campus
3/16	Plant Tour—Winston-Salem Industries For the Blind**	11:30	Winston-Salem NC
4/20	Election of Officers Jim Morris, VP of Region VI, will speak Topics include Social Networking	Noon	Logan’s Roadhouse Greensboro NC
5/12	Statewide Safety Conference		

**** Note time change to accommodate more people and facilitate a more informative tour.**

Watch your in-box for driving directions.

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.

From National ASSE: *For Immediate Release*

AMERICAN SOCIETY OF SAFETY ENGINEERS SADDENED BY LOSS OF COMMITTED ST. LOUIS SAFETY PROFESSIONAL CHRIS WALTERS IN PLANT EXPLOSION

DES PLAINES, IL (February 10, 2010)

The American Society of Safety Engineers (ASSE) President C. Christopher Patton, CSP, said today that ASSE is saddened by the sudden loss of Chris Walters, an ASSE member since 1981 who worked as a safety professional for more than 20 years. He was not only dedicated to protecting people, property and the environment, but to his wife, Fran, and their three children.

A resident of Florissant, MO, Walters died Sunday in a power plant explosion in Middletown, CT, where he was working as a contract safety manager.

“Chris was a very active member of ASSE, a fellow St Louis Chapter member, and respected safety professional,” Patton said. “He was a great volunteer in the chapter, well liked by everyone, and will be sorely missed.”

Walters had master degrees in Safety Management and Occupational Safety and Health. He had served as a volunteer in the ASSE St. Louis Chapter for several years, and, to continue his commitment to the profession he transferred his ASSE membership to the local Nutmeg chapter when he took the job in Connecticut, where he continued to be very active.

“As occupational safety and health professionals we work every day to make sure that workers, our co-workers, leave work injury and illness free,” Patton continued. “That’s what Chris has been doing for more than 20 years. It goes far beyond compliance, as safety professionals must inspire commitment from their leadership and integrate safety into business’ strategic and sustainability plans.”

A recent Central Missouri State University (CMSU) alumni magazine featured Walters in a story for his work in the construction of the new Busch Stadium in downtown St. Louis stating, ‘Hunt Construction credits CMSU graduates Chris Walters, safety manager, and his assistant Joe Enright, for helping establish one of the best safety programs in the industry. The company’s lost-time injury rate building Busch Stadium was 82 percent below the national average. Their dedication to safety helped the \$344 million-plus project stay on schedule and on budget with barely any loss due to incidents.’

For that project Walters estimated that it took about 2.5 million hours of labor to build the stadium, which was built from October 2005 until April 10, 2006.

“We are all deeply saddened by Chris’ death,” Patton said. “Because of people like Chris millions of workers in the U.S. go to work and leave work injury and illness free every day. We salute Chris for all he has done the past 20 years as a dedicated safety and health professional and will honor his memory, especially in St. Louis where he touched so many lives.”

Student News

The Student Chapter of Triad ASSE met on Wednesday, February 3, 2010. The general manager of WNAA 90.1, Anthony Wellborne, was in attendance to help the chapter create an ad to run over air waves. The segment will feature safety tips and alerts of any accidents happening on and off campus. The ad will be repeated several times throughout the day, and a new topic being introduced every day. These advertisements will help promote safety in the community over the radio.

The department of OSHA at North Carolina A&T State University has recognized the need for our expertise around this natural disaster, and we would like to offer our talents and services. As we all know, Haiti had a devastating earthquake and we are looking to raise money so that some of the students from the ASSE will be able to travel to Haiti and lend a helping hand. If you would like to contribute so that our students can make a difference, please contact Ullanda Davis at 336-420-1730 or by e-mail at www.asse.safety@gmail.com.

Upcoming Networking Events

Jane Owens, your Public Relations Chairperson, is working hard to organize some events that will provide opportunities for networking with other safety professionals.

Please note that the Bowling Tournament previously planned for February has been postponed. New dates will be announced later this year.

Work has already begun to plan our annual Spring Golf Tournament. Start practicing and planning—spring will be here soon, and with it comes warmer days and this wonderful opportunity to spend some time with other ASSE members and visitors, while raising money for charity at the same time.

Stay Tuned for More Details!



100 Women – Making a Difference in Safety

ASSE will celebrate its 100th anniversary on October 14, 2011. But *WISE* - Women in Safety Engineering is working now to commemorate this momentous occasion. We will honor 100 women who have, or are currently, making a difference through their work and dedication to protecting people, property and the environment.

In October 2009 *WISE* have began honoring up to four women in our monthly Newsletter, and we will continue to do so until October 2011. Then in October 2011, *WISE* will consolidate the profiles of those 100 dedicated women into a single publication, *100 Women – Making a Difference in Safety*, and will debut it at the 2011 ASSE Leadership Conference.

WISE plans to honor women throughout the ages who dedicate their lives to making a difference in the lives of other through their promotion and innovation in safety, health and environmental issues. The honorees will not all be ASSE members. And some paved the way long before ASSE was even founded, like Rebecca Luken who made a difference in manufacturing safety in the 1800's. While others nominees, such as Trish Ennis and Terry Wigfall are ASSE members making a difference today. Our honorees will be diverse. They won't all be public figures, well known, or famous; they will be everyday heroes making a difference in the lives of others through their commitment to protecting people, property and the environment.

Join us in our efforts to honor the women you know who are making, or have made, a difference by nominating them for this honor. Complete the nomination form below and send it to Terrie Norris at tsnorris@earthlink.net. The nomination form is also available on our web site at <http://www.asse.org/practicespecialties/wise/index.php>. You will find the link to the nomination form by clicking on "100 Women Project" listed near the bottom of the column on the left side of the page.

If you would like to join us in this exciting project or to find out more information, please contact: Kelly Bernish, at Kelly.a.bernish@disney.com, Jennifer Zipeto at jzipeto@gmail.com, Terrie Norris at tsnorris@earthlink.net, Deb McDaniel at mcdanied@kochind.com, and/or Maureen Johnson at maureenj@us.ibm.com.

Note: the nomination form is on the next page.





100 Women – Making a Difference in Safety

Nomination Ballot

Name of Nominee: _____ Her email: _____

Nominator's email address: _____ Your email _____

Describe in 100 words or less how this woman is making a difference/why should she be included in our *100 Woman* collection:

Are you willing to write the article? Yes No Maybe

Would you like to work on the project? Yes No Maybe



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Professional Development Opportunities

Safety Management Symposium: Delivering Safety Results in Changing Times

March 11-12, 2010, Scottsdale, AZ

6th Global Congress on Process Safety

March 21-24, San Antonio, TX

Safety 2010, June 13-16, 2010, Baltimore, MD

Check out www.ASSE.org for more details!

