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NEXT MEETING:

DATE: TUESDAY – February 13, 2007

PLACE: Garcia's Mexican Restaurant
5050 S. Syracuse St., Denver, CO 80237

TIME: 11:00 Registration
11:30 a.m. Lunch
12:00 - 1:00 Program

DIRECTIONS:

I-25 to Belleview Rd. Exit
East on Belleview Rd. to Syracuse
North on Syracuse to Garcia's.

COST: \$16.00 with reservation by 5:00 P.M. Friday,
February 9, 2006. \$21.00 at the door without a
reservation. For reservations please e-mail
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TOPIC: OSHA Enforcement Emphasis Programs (EPs)

Each year OSHA devotes a significant amount of its enforcement resource to programmed inspections. These Enforcement Emphasis Programs (EPs) seek to identify specific industries and hazards for special inspection focus. George B. Flynn is a Compliance Assistance Specialist with the OSHA Englewood Area Office. He will share with us the results of last years OSHA Emphasis programs in Colorado as well as the new programs in place for the coming year.

SPEAKER: George B. Flynn, CIH

George B. Flynn has served with the Occupational Safety and Health Administration for 23 years as a Health Compliance Officer and Assistant Area Director. He is currently the Compliance Assistance Specialist in the OSHA Englewood Area Office, where he plans, coordinates, develops and implements a comprehensive compliance assistance plan to provide integrated advice and assistance to businesses, (particularly small businesses), labor affiliates and other stakeholders within the Area Office jurisdiction.

COLORADO CHAPTER NEWS:

MINI- PDC: Lock-Out/ Machine Guarding

The Colorado Chapter of ASSE will hold a Mini-PDC on March 28, 2007 at the Colorado Contractors Association located at 6880 South Yosemite Court Suite 200, Centennial. This is nuts and bolts lock-out and machine guarding for the Safety Professional. Register today with Justin Chivers at Justin.Chivers@pinkardcc.com or call him for more information at 303-944-1364.

Interested in Being a Board Member?

If you would like to help guide the future of the Colorado Chapter of ASSE, we are soliciting members to be on the board. Elections will be held in April. Contact Craig Halpern at (303) 615-7407 or craig.halpern@imacorp.com if you are interested.

SPY

The Colorado Chapter Board is serious about naming the Safety Professional of the Year and would like you input. Please contact Tammy Stevens at 303-657-4466 or TammyStevens@lafarge-na.com with your ideas.

NOCO CORNER:

2007 looks to be an exciting year for the Northern Colorado Section. Please mark your calendar to attend our section meetings set for the following dates:

<u>DATE:</u>	<u>LOCATION:</u>
March 5, 2007:	Johnson's Corner
June 5, 2007:	TBD
September 11, 2007:	TBD
December 4, 2007:	TBD

The topics for each meeting are still being finalized and will be announced in the near future. Stay tuned.

We want the upcoming year to be informational and fun, so a 2007 membership survey will be showing up in your inbox shortly. Please take the time to provide us with your comments.

"Oh, it's in the hole..." The Section is looking into the possibility of holding a golf tournament this Spring/Summer to raise money for the section for future Professional Development Conferences (PDC's), and to have fun of course. Your input will be solicited in the membership survey. Please let us know what you think.

We have great expectations for the coming year and hope that you are looking forward to it as much as we are.

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT CONFERENCES:



Early Online Registration for SAFETY 2007 is Open!

SAFETY 2007 is June 24-27 in Orlando, FL and features more than 200 sessions, an Exposition with 300 exhibitors, special Pre- and Post-conference seminars, conference proceedings on CD, numerous networking events and more!

For registration, session info, hotel reservations, visit: WWW.SAFETY2007.ORG



The American Society of Safety Engineers would like to invite you to start the New Year out by earning **1.2 CEUs/COCs, 2.0 IH CM Points and .75 CHMM CMP** by participating in ASSE's **Measuring Performance for Safety Success Symposium**. The Symposium features **20 concurrent sessions** on performance measurement including; Balanced Scorecard, Digital Dashboard, culture surveys, ORC Metrics, performance metrics, safety indexing, Six Sigma, transformational performance metrics, using risk management indicators and much more! This also provides you the opportunity to learn from the success of other organization' performance measure practices and determine the applicability for your organization. Also available prior to the Symposium are math review, ASP and CSP Preparation Workshop, and Corporate Safety Management certification sessions. **For session information, registration, and hotel reservations visit: <http://www.asse.org/performancesymposium/>**

TECHNICAL CONFERENCE CALLS:

ANSI/AIHA Z-10 Occupational Health and Safety Management Systems
Technical Audio Conference Call
February 14, 2007 11:00 am - 12:30 pm Central Time

The ASSE Technical Audio Conference Series provides listeners with the most up to date information on issues that significantly impact the SH&E profession. On Wednesday, February 14, Craig Schroll will present "**ANSI/AIHA Z-10.1-2005 Occupational Health and Safety Management Systems.**"

Jim Smith, Vice President of the Council on Practices and Standards, (CoPS) will facilitate this call. Our main speaker, Craig Schroll, President Firecon, will present an overview of this newly developed OHSMS voluntary consensus standard. The purpose of the standard is to provide organizations with an effective tool for continual improvement of their occupational health and safety performance. An OHSMS implemented in conformance with this standard can help organizations minimize workplace risks and reduce the occurrence and cost of occupational injuries, illnesses and fatalities. If you would like to participate, contact ASSE at 847.699-2929.

ITEMS OF INTEREST:

DHS Introduces New Regulations to Secure High-Risk Chemical Facilities

The Department of Homeland Security (DHS) has made available for public review a set of proposed regulations to improve security at high-risk chemical facilities in the United States.

"The consequences of an attack at a high risk chemical facility could be severe for the health and safety of the citizens in the area and for the national economy," said Homeland Security Secretary Michael Chertoff. "Congress has provided the department with a critical new authority to set performance standards that are both sensible and disciplined, allowing owners and operators the flexibility to determine an appropriate mix of security measures at their facility under our supervision and subject to our approval. We're grateful for this new authority, and we intend to implement it quickly and apply it aggressively."

The proposed regulations require that chemical facilities fitting certain profiles complete a secure online risk assessment to assist in determining their overall level of risk. High-risk facilities will then be required to conduct vulnerability assessments and submit site security plans that meet the Department's performance standards. DHS will validate submissions through audits and site inspections, and will provide technical assistance to facility owners and operators as needed. Performance standards will be designed to achieve specific outcomes, such as securing the perimeter and critical targets, controlling access, deterring theft of potentially dangerous chemicals, and preventing internal sabotage. Security strategies necessary to satisfy these standards will depend on the level of risk at each facility.

The proposed regulations provide chemical facilities with two quick and simple opportunities to challenge the disapproval of a site security plan. Failure to comply with performance standards may result in civil penalties up to \$25,000 per day, and egregious instances of noncompliance could result in an order to cease operations.

Since 2003, DHS has worked with the chemical industry as well as state and local authorities on strengthening security at chemical facilities throughout the country. Most chemical facilities have already initiated voluntary security programs and made significant investments to achieve satisfactory security levels. The Homeland Security Appropriations Act of 2007 granted the Department authority to regulate the security of high-risk chemical facilities and requires that the proposed regulations be issued by April 4, 2007. The proposed regulations contemplate immediate implementation at the highest risk facilities, and a phased implementation at other chemical facilities that present security risks addressed by the statute, beginning in 2007 and continuing through 2008.

For more information, see the [proposed rule](#) in the *Federal Register*

Changing Your Contact Information

If you have a change of address, e-mail or telephone number and you want your ASSE friends to find you, please call the National office of ASSE at 847-699-2929 or e-mail them at customerservice@asse.org.