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PENSACOLA CHAPTER NEWSLETTER

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August Meeting

August 17, 2023

11:30am-1:30pm CDT

OSHA Update
Francisco Garcia
OSHA Area Director

Our August meeting is going to be an OSHA Update by our OSHA Area Director, Francisco Garcia. This topic is typically our best attended meeting. Plan now to attend and meet your colleagues from Pensacola to Tallahassee and the rest of the chapter territory.

The meeting starts at 11:30.

Our speaker will start at 12:00 noon.

BE THERE!! Please RSVP so that we have enough food.

<https://pensacola.assp.org/>

Please RSVP!!!

P.S. It is time to give back to the chapter. This is a member driven organization that relies on all of us to keep it going. Please plan to attend! Please plan to participate! Please plan to take a turn as a leader!

The Chapter NEEDS YOU!!! Please volunteer by emailing mparkerofpcb@gmail.com

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Open Call for Speakers

We are seeking suggestions, ideas, recommendations, proposals, hints, etc. for speakers for the ASSP meetings. Please contact Al with your thoughts! breskiv

Membership Benefits

ASSP is where OSH professionals find a vibrant community, one that helps them grow professionally through education, networking and advocacy for the profession. Through our member communities, ASSP connects OSH professionals across all industries, genders, generations and ethnicities, and enables them to engage with one another on a global scale.

If you need some hints on convincing your boss, click here.

<https://www.assp.org/membership/benefits-qualifications/employer-justification>

Membership Information

Ready to join? You can apply online:

<https://store.assp.org/PersonifyEbusiness/Membership/Join-ASSP>

Photo of the Month



Presidents Message

The value of volunteering with the Pensacola Chapter of ASSP. Over 22 years ago I was selected to be the EHS Manager at a local plastics manufacturing plant. It was my first and only safety position. Our facility was Number 1 in our corporation: the highest recordable injury rate and the highest Worker's Comp. costs (due to the disabilities that resulted from those injuries) in our corporation. After realizing how much help I needed, I joined the Pensacola Chapter of ASSE. I found the advise that I received at the monthly meetings PRICELESS. I found Safety Consultants in our chapter whom I was able to hire to address our biggest problems quickly. The first year of my membership resulted in reducing the RIR by half and the second year by half again (1/4 of my first OSHA report). By the time I retired, the Pensacola chapter helped me with all of my safety needs: training, advise, knowledge, friendship, and resources from local safety equipment suppliers. The value of volunteering meant the world to me. I hope to restore some of that value back into our chapter.

1. I will contact everyone of you (98 Pensacola Chapter members) IF POSSIBLE (some of you do not want to be contacted – I will respect that) and ask you what can the Pensacola chapter can do for you.
2. I will NOT waste your valuable time at meetings. We will promptly end every meeting at 60 minutes. Those who want to stay later are free to do so, but the meeting WILL END at 60 minutes.
3. I will encourage members to share with the group about your safety challenges and/or successes at every meeting (KEEP IT SHORT – time is valuable).

Our awesome Executive Committee (Christopher Chaffin, Marlena Fox, Maralee Sartain, and Matthew Parker (not elected but welcomed and invited)) will do the best they are able (we ALL have limitations) to serve you. Everyone of them is a gem – please seek them out – did I mention that they are AWESOME!!!

Al Bressler, CHMM

Gallup Research:

32% of workers are engaged in their work

18% of workers are actively disengaged with their work

50% of workers are "Quiet Quitters"

That means 68% of your workforce are NOT ENGAGED in their JOB.

YOUR Safety program is LESS important than their JOBS
