



## THREE RIVERS CHAPTER ASSE

### SEPT/ OCT EDITION 2014 NEWSLETTER

**The best is yet to come!**

### **2014 Chicagoland EHS Golf Outing**



The Golf outing got off to a soggy start in August but was rescheduled to a beautiful day, September 26th. All who attended were glad for the delay so as to enjoy such a beautiful day.

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#### **Dates & Topics for 2014-2015 Chapter Meetings**

##### **Fellow Three Rivers ASSE Members Visitors:**

The Executive Board and the Chairs of the Three Rivers ASSE Chapter has planned another great year of events and meetings. We will be kicking off an active 2014-2015 Chapter Year on Friday October 17, 2014!

Unless otherwise noted, chapter meetings will be held at the Hilton Lisle/Naperville, 3003 Corporate West Drive, Lisle, IL 60532. The general meeting agenda goes from 11:30 am-1:00 pm and includes a delicious

networking lunch and then the guest speaker. Please check out the event page (<http://threerivers.asse.org/events>) for the most current schedule and to register. There is a nominal admission fee to cover the cost of food and venue. Admission fees can be paid upon event registration through PayPal or during check-in at the event via cash, check, or credit card.

- ASSE Member \$25.00 (Proof of membership is required)
- Non-member admission \$40
- **FREE – college students that show a current academic year student ID.**

ASSE members, are do you need CEUs? You can **earn CEUs** by attending our chapter meetings! To learn more go to <http://threerivers.asse.org/wp-content/uploads/2013/09/Earning-and-Redeming-CEUs-Member-Instructions.pdf>

As President, I would like to personally invite you to attend our chapter meetings. Please join us and bring a colleague or friend! We look forward to seeing you!

Brenda Allard, *Chapter President*

## October 17, 2014 Chapter Meeting

**Topic: New IL Laws Regarding: Medical Marijuana & Firearm Concealed Carry**

**Speaker: Jason Coggins & Janet D. Pallardy of Weidner & McAuliffe, LTD. Attorneys at Law**

New laws in Illinois that relate to conceal and carry of firearms and medicinal use of cannabis can affect the safety and security of your workplace or existing policies. This presentation will focus on how these new laws can impact a business and gain insight to avoid negative outcomes.



**Concealed Carry: Illinois Law** Learn about what the new Concealed Carry law in Illinois is, and how it will affect you as a general contractor or subcontractor and what you need to know when implementing a concealed carry policy.



**Medical Marijuana: How it can affect your job site** Learn about the concerns with medical marijuana users in your company and on your job sites and how to address reasonable suspicion/under the influence.

### Speaker Bios:

**Jason Coggins** is a partner in the Civil Litigation Practice in Wiedner & McAuliffe's Chicago office. He has been with the firm since 1995, leading Wiedner & McAuliffe's well-respected subrogation practice group. Jason has a broad-based state and federal civil litigation practice. His practice concentrates on the defense of employers, contractors, manufacturers, distributors, and insurers for claims involving employment litigation, construction and complex tort litigation, class action and industry-wide litigation, and insurance coverage. Jason also maintains a national subrogation practice. Under his



leadership, Wiedner & McAuliffe’s subrogation group has recovered millions of dollars for clients throughout the United States. Listed in the 2009 Bar Register of Preeminent Lawyers, Jason is an instructor for the National Business Institute and the Institute for Paralegal Education. He has also taught seminars covering several legal topics. He frequently lectures on employment, insurance, and subrogation issues in front of various legal and professional groups. Jason has also authored a variety of articles on employment law, insurance coverage, and subrogation.



**Janet D. Pallardy** is a partner in the Workers’ Compensation Defense Practice in Wiedner & McAuliffe’s Chicago office. Janet has over 20 years of experience with the firm, covering all facets of workers’ compensation law, including the defense of claims involving the construction, manufacturing, retail, and food service industries. With her extensive experience and professional credentials, Janet oversees a team of attorneys in Chicago. Janet’s presence and leadership in these endeavors ensures the seamless representation of clients with interests in Illinois. As Special State’s Attorney for DuPage County, Janet counsels the DuPage County Board on workers’ compensation claims brought by municipal employees, including deputy sheriffs and police officers. These claims range from minor to permanent injury claims for benefits under the Illinois Public Safety Employee Benefits Act (PSEBA).

**Space is limited so register today!**

**Venue:**

Hilton  
 3003 Corporate West Drive  
 Lisle, IL  
 60532  
[Map and Directions](#)

**Date:**


Date: October 17, 2014

**Time:**

Start Time: 11:30 am  
 End Time: 1:30 pm

Date	Time	Topic	Speaker
10/17/14	Lunch	Concealed Carry & Medical Marijuana	Jason Coggins & Janet Pallardy of Weidner & McAuliffe
11/14/14	Lunch	Fatigue & Shiftwork –	Dr. Mills – NIU (815) 753-5366 <a href="mailto:wmills11@niu.edu">wmills11@niu.edu</a>
12/12/14	Lunch	Volunteerism at Northern IL Food Bank	N/A
1/9/15	Lunch	Learn how IL SB 3287 Amends the Workers' Compensation Act	Gene Keefe 312-756-3700

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2/13/15	Lunch	OSHA Update	North Aurora Office
3/13/15	Lunch	Machine Safety & Alternatives to LOTO	Jeff Winter 773-318-0528 <a href="mailto:jeff.winter@grantek.com">jeff.winter@grantek.com</a>
4/10/15	Lunch	Disaster Preparedness for Business's	DuPage Office of Homeland Security
5/8/15	Lunch	Round Table	Everyone




**26th ANNUAL Chicagoland Safety, Health and Environmental Conference**  
September 22-25, 2014

TOPIC AREAS RELATED TO:

- Environmental Management
- General Safety
- Industrial Hygiene
- Professional Development
- Safety & Health Management

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**If you missed this conference you missed some of the best speakers we have had in a number of years.**

**Keep an eye out for announcements coming towards summer 2015 for our next great PDC.**

## **Three Rivers Chapter Meeting Basics**

- Meeting dates are from October thru May, the 2nd Friday of the month (**except as noted**)
- Networking followed by our meal and then our guest speaker.
- Watch your emails and future newsletters for location details.
- We will be filing for CEU's this year, as we have in the past
- Professional Dev Grant launch up to \$1k has been budgeted for dispensing to 3Rivers Members in good standing. Email [ThreeRivers.ASSE@gmail.com](mailto:ThreeRivers.ASSE@gmail.com) for application information.
- Go to our NEW LINKEDIN Site, this member benefit is restricted to members to protect your privacy while providing the broadest possible benefit.  
Go to [www.linkedin.com](http://www.linkedin.com), create a profile and email [ThreeRivers.ASSE@gmail.com](mailto:ThreeRivers.ASSE@gmail.com) to officially join.
- LIKE us at our NEW Facebook page:

<http://www.facebook.com/pages/ASSE-Three-Rivers-Chapter/251391814903691>

- First timers don't forget to bring your free meeting coupon-looking forward to meeting you. So come on over and enjoy a fun filled presentation and filling breakfast.
- If you would like, we can send an email to your superiors at work thanking them for allowing your participation and summarizing the meeting subject matter. Just see one of the board members before you leave.

**ARE YOU ON THE MOVE?** Let us know, and be sure to Update Your Personal Information.

To update your mailing address, phone, fax, or most importantly, your e-mail address, please go to the following link: [www.asse.org](http://www.asse.org). Click in the upper left hand corner on "Address Change." Log-in using your member number and your last name.

### **RECOGNITION**

Each year at this time ASSE prepares long service recognition for members with 25/40/50 years of membership. This is an extremely important project, as it shows our members that we are aware of their many years of dedication, and gives us an opportunity to thank them. Recognition for Three Rivers will include:

**Hendrik J Botterman**  
**Terry L Browning**  
**Thomas C Hogue**  
**Brendan K Moriarty**  
**Edward R Gorman**  
**James A Clark**  
**William A Rankin**  
**Henry C Brown**  
**Patrick F Genovese**  
**Michael J Fagel**

I'd include the specific number of years, but some of us might not want to show our age.

**Volunteering** has many benefits, such as building and practicing leadership skills, networking with colleagues and of course, having fun. There is still time to volunteer in our Chapter. We welcome your questions. Please refer to our website for more information. I hope to see you at our upcoming events.

### **OUTREACH**

Any chapter members participating in outreach activities to promote safety in general, the safety profession or the ASSE should advise the board. We would like to recognize you in and the chapter will get STARS awards

points.

## **Would your company like to sponsor our next meeting?**

What's In It for Your Organization?

- Exposure to the a large community of EH&S professionals in our area
- Demonstrate your commitment to the development of the EH&S profession
- Align your organization with a specific topic or safety event
- Expand your base of professional contacts
- Reinforce your presence to a dedicated group of EH&S professionals
- Direct target marketing your company's products or services

**Contact any board member for additional information soon for choice events!**

### **LET'S GET TECHNICAL**

**Want to get published?** Provide a page or two of a camera ready word document and we will select one or more as available. Copyrighted material "©" will not be acceptable. Once submitted we will consider it available for publication and once published consider it the property of all members for their use promoting safety in their organizations. If these conditions are acceptable to you, we would love to have your input.

## **HOT NEWS FROM AROUND THE INDUSTRY**

### **October 2014 Drive Safely Work Week Materials –**

#### **Gear Up for Safe Driving: Mind · Body · Vehicle**

**Sponsored by NETS. Proper maintenance of mind, body and vehicle can go a long way toward getting you to where you're going safely. Free online toolkit available for download by mid-August to get you ready for the October campaign.**

[www.trafficsafety.org](http://www.trafficsafety.org)

## **5 things to know about driving on marijuana**

Source: News Day, September 6, 2014

The legalization of recreational marijuana in two states — Colorado and Washington — and medical marijuana in more than 20 others has raised concern that there will be more drivers stoned behind the wheel. What's not clear is whether that will translate into an increase in fatal crashes, but there are some key facts about the relationship between pot and highway safety. While marijuana users can perform simple tasks well while they are high, brain imaging has shown they have to use more of their brain to do so. Their reaction times are slower, peripheral vision is decreased and multitasking impeded. Also, traces of THC, the psychoactive ingredient in marijuana, can be detected in the blood of some habitual marijuana users days or weeks after they last used the drug, making it hard to use blood tests to discern a current level of impairment. Most states haven't even set a THC threshold for impairment. The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration is conducting research to get a better idea of how pot affects driving. NHTSA and Washington state officials have also teamed up to assess change in marijuana use by drivers before and after the state allowed retail sale of the drug, with results due next year. To see the full article, go to: [www.newsday.com/](http://www.newsday.com/)

# October 31, 2014 Halloween 2014 Drunk Driving Prevention Campaign

The scariest part of Halloween isn't the spooky costumes and scary pranks; it's alcohol-impaired drivers. Don't let Halloween turn into a nightmare. Fact sheets and materials from NHTSA's Traffic Safety Marketing now available here:

[www.trafficsafetymarketing.gov/](http://www.trafficsafetymarketing.gov/)

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### **Interested in helping out? Contact any board member or committee member.**

More information about each position and the officers can be found on the chapter website at [www.threerivers.asse.org](http://www.threerivers.asse.org). There are many open positions, such as Historian, and Public Relations. If you would like to volunteer, please let us know.

**Chapter Delegates represent our chapter at the ASSE Society level.** If anyone has concerns or suggestions for the Society please don't hesitate to contact one of them. For the latest news check out the delegates page on ASSE.org officers central