



THREE RIVERS CHAPTER ASSE

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The best is yet to come!

**NEVER DOUBT THAT A SMALL GROUP OF
THOUGHTFUL, COMMITTED CITIZENS
CAN CHANGE THE WORLD.**

**INDEED, IT IS THE ONLY
THING THAT EVER HAS.**

Margaret Mead

If you missed our last meeting you missed out learning all about
workplace issues related to

Fatigue, Shift Work and Safety

**presented by Dr. William J. Mills, PhD, M.S. CIH, Assistant
Professor, Department of Technology at Northern Illinois
University**

Who would have thought there were so many considerations and
consequences when considering fatigue in the workplace?

If you are looking for a new job, you also missed an opportunity to meet with **Laura Petraitis-Doll**, EHS Chicagoland recruiter with **LS Doll & Associates**. We look forward to her participation in future meetings!

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 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*

December 12, 2014 Chapter Meeting **FREE MEETING!**

Northern IL Food Bank



The ASSE TRC and NEIL chapters are working together. Come join fellow EHS professionals in the Chicagoland area for a half a day to give back this holiday season by volunteering a little time at the Northern Illinois Food Bank, eat a delicious lunch.

From 9 am to 11 am we are inviting all TRC and NEIL ASSE members to volunteer at the food bank. If you are able to volunteer during this time please register at: Northern IL Food Bank Volunteer Registration. If volunteering with us, Food Bank attire requirements are: Close-toed shoes (sneakers or work boots). Long shorts or pants and a t-shirt or sweatshirt are recommended. Volunteers wearing open-toed shoes will not be allowed in the warehouse.

On behalf of our Board and Chairs, we hope you'll be able to volunteer too!

The 2013 event was AWESOME!



Venue:

Northern Illinois Food Bank
273 Dearborn Court
Geneva, IL
60134

[Map and Directions](#)

Date: Date: December 12, 2014

Time: Start Time: 9:00 am, End Time: 1:30 pm

Price: Price: \$0.00

Space is limited so register today! <http://threerivers.asse.org/events/?ee=35>

Other great meetings to look forward to:

Date	Time	Topic	Speaker
12/12/14	9 AM	Volunteerism at Northern IL Food Bank	N/A
1/9/15	11:30 AM	Learn how IL SB 3287 Amends the Workers' Compensation Act	Gene Keefe 312-756-3700 GKeefe@keefe-law.com
2/13/15	11:30 AM	OSHA Update	North Aurora Office
3/13/15	11:30 AM	Machine Safety & Alternatives to LOTO	Jeff Winter 773-318-0528 jeff.winter@grantek.com
4/10/15	11:30 AM	Disaster Preparedness for Business	DuPage Office of Homeland Security
5/8/15	11:30 AM	Round Table	Everyone

Did you enjoy the 2014 golf outing? Save the date for 2015: August 21, 2015!

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 Development Grant launch up to \$1k has been budgeted for dispensing to 3Rivers Members in good standing. Email 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, create a profile and email 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 lunch.
- 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.

Click in the upper left hand corner on "Address Change." Log-in using your member number and your last name.

New Members

Adam Harmeyer

Rahme Abraham

Membership Anniversaries this year

Michael Fagel, 40 years

Patrick Genovese, 40 years

Henry Brown, 40 years

William Rankin, 25 years

James Clark, 25 years

Edward Gorman, 25 years

Brendan Moriarty, 25 years

Thomas Hogue, 25 years

Hendrick Botterman, 25 years

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.

ELECTIONS

WOULD YOU LIKE TO HELP CHNAGE THE WORLD? Start small by joining the leadership team of your ASSE Three Rivers Chapter. Now is the time to indicate your interest in elected offices and/ or volunteer appointed chairperson positions. All positions are up for consideration. At the bottom of this newsletter you will see a list of the current office holders. feel free to contact any for a discussion of roles and responsibilities, or contact one of the members of the nominations committee:

Anita Worden wordenanita@gmail.com

Patrick Genovese patrick.genovese@dupageco.org

Mery Sennett msennett12@aol.com

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 March and April 2015 NIU will be looking for volunteers for their SHADOW PROGRAM. Watch for additional info to come, or contact William J. Mills, Assistant Professor, Department of Technology at Northern Illinois University

Mery Sennett recently traveled to Mexico for a safety conference and presented information regarding incentives and safety culture. **WAY TO GO Mery!!**

CHAPTER SPONSORSHIP PROGRAM

The Three Rivers Chapter of the American Society of Safety Engineers offers sponsorship options to help your organization reach the safety, health, and environmental professionals in the Chicagoland area. With more than 300 local chapter members in EHS field, we offer sponsors a way to directly target the people that buy their products and services. Your support enables the Three Rivers Chapter to provide assistance to develop our chapter members in the field of environmental, health and safety

What's In It for You?

- Exposure to the community of EHS professionals in our area
- Demonstrate your commitment to the development of the EHS 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 EHS professionals
- Direct target marketing your company's products or services

[Register your company to for chapter sponsorship today!](#)

Contact Greg Meyer Gmeyer1@orcpg.com or Jeff Winters jeff.winter@grantek.com for additional information





2014 Chicagoland Safety, Health and Environmental Conference

The 2014 Chicagoland Safety, Health and Environmental Conference, held at the NIU Naperville Campus on September 22 thru 24, 2014, was extremely successful. Total number of individuals attending the conference remained consistent with 2013. The total number of attendees exceeded 325 this year. However, attendees signed up for more sessions and days at the conference. We believe that the reason was the quality of the speakers and sessions offered. All this is reflected in the increased total revenues generated. The increased revenues, along with effective cost controls, will allow for the five financial partners in the conference to receive checks of approximately \$4,400.00 each.

We look to continue to grow the conference in 2015 with offering quality topics and speakers. The steering committee begins its work on the 2015 conference in January, 2015. The committee is always looking for volunteers. Look for the meeting notice in the chapter's upcoming newsletter.

FUN FACT:

Franklin D. Roosevelt moved the Thanksgiving holiday to the third Thursday of November in 1939. He did this in order to boost the economy with earlier Christmas shopping. Unfortunately, this change was not a popular one. After much controversy, President Roosevelt changed the national holiday back to the fourth Thursday in November, in 1941.

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.

OSHA's New Reporting Requirements

- As of January 1, 2015, all employers must report:
- All work-related fatalities within 8 hours.
- All work-related inpatient hospitalizations, all amputations and all losses of an eye within 24 hours.
- You can report to OSHA by:
 - Calling OSHA's free and confidential number at 1-800-321-OSHA (6742)
 - Calling your closest OSHA Area Office during normal business hours – Aurora 630-896-8700
 - Using the new online form that will soon be available.

"We will not be inspecting all reports, but we will have some contact with them."

Jordan Barab, Deputy Assistant Secretary of Labor for Occupational Safety and Health

Here are safety programs on nearly every subject. This is from North Carolina OSHA. Free Download.

http://www.nclabor.com/osha/etta/exampleprograms/example_programs.htm

Several good technical bulletins on industrial safety from West Bend Mutual:

<http://www.thesilverlining.com/safety-resources/technical-bulletins>

Holiday Season Drunk Driving Prevention, Buzzed Driving is Drunk Driving NHTSA's Traffic Safety Marketing

The holiday season is right around the corner. You have to choose your role before drinking begins: will you drink or will you drive? Remember, even if you only have a little bit to drink and think you're "okay to drive," you could still be over the legal limit, because Buzzed Driving is Drunk Driving. Campaign materials available here: www.trafficsafetymarketing.gov/
Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over

GEICO sheds light on night driving safety as motorists face more commutes in the dark

Source: GEICO News Release, November 6, 2014

While the time change has brought Americans an extra hour of sleep, it also has led to more commutes in the dark. GEICO wants motorists to take the appropriate steps to safely prepare themselves and their vehicles for more hours of night driving. Since traffic fatalities are three times more likely to occur at night, drivers need to take precautions such as reducing speeds and increasing following distances since it's harder to judge the proximity of other cars. Additionally, motorists should only use high beams when there's no oncoming traffic. If an oncoming vehicle does not switch to low beams, focus on the white solid line to the right of the road or use curbs or the road's edge as a reference to maintain proper position in the lane without becoming blinded. Also, keep both windshields and all mirrors clean, as oncoming lights can accentuate even the smallest smudges. To see the full article, go to: www.businesswire.com/

2014-15 Board Members

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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. 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