February Chapter Meeting | From Education to Designation, Tony Canizales

At the February chapter meeting, Tony Canizales spoke about the importance of professional designations, such as STS, ASP, and CSP. He helped us understand how designations can benefit safety and health as well as your overall career goals. Tony also discussed how to decide which designations may be right for you, what the fees and requirements are, and how to utilize online resources to achieve your desired certification.

Call for Nominations! | Central Valley ASSP

Leadership opportunities within your organization may be limited — which can slow your career growth and advancement. However, ASSP provides alternative leadership avenues for members, who then benefit from a vast professional network, leadership training opportunities, and access to insights on the latest safety trends and innovations. This can position you for new responsibilities at work and create new opportunities for career growth.

The ASSP Central Valley Chapter Nominations Committee is now calling for nominations for the 2020-2021 Chapter Year. The nominated positions include President Elect, Secretary, Treasurer, and Delegate. If you would like to nominate someone, or run yourself, for one of these positions please contact John Rodriguez, Nominations & Election Chair - elections@centralvalley.assp.org, or any board member. Elections take place at the May Chapter meeting and nominations must be received by the end of April.

The Safety Professional’s Role in Planning for a Pandemic

- Rely on Trusted Resources and Information
- Take Action to Prepare for a Pandemic
- Establish Communications Protocols
- Create an Effective Telework Policy
- Educate Employees on Effective Prevention Measures
- Address Global Responsibilities and Travel Precautions

Read the full article at assp.org/news

Healthy Habits Make Everyday Sense

Follow these everyday guidelines from the World Health Organization will help safeguard your health and the health.

- Wash your hands frequently
- Practice good respiratory hygiene
- Maintain social distancing
- Avoid touching your face
- Stay home when feeling ill

New Members
Josimar Pena

Milestones
5 Year Members
Allison Goodman
Dana Horne

Upcoming Events

Chapter Meeting
March meeting has been cancelled

Chapter Meeting
04/30 11:30—1:00
639 E Shaw Ave Suite 149
Fresno, CA 93710
Details will be posted at centralvalley.assp.org

ASSP Coronavirus Q&A

On March 18, ASSP will host a free online question-and-answer session to help you learn more about responding to the COVID-19 (coronavirus) pandemic. ASSP's live online event starts at noon CT/1 pm ET Wednesday, March 18, featuring expert advice from ASSP President-Elect Deborah Roy.

“Luck is what happens when preparation meets opportunity”
CSB Chemical Accident Reporting Rule

The US Chemical Safety and Hazard Investigation Board (CSB) has announced a new regulation that requires owners or operators of chemical facilities to report on accidental releases.

The new reporting requirement will take effect on March 23, 2020.

Under the new requirement owners or operators of stationary sources covered under the Clean Air Act must report any accidental release that results in a death, serious injury, or substantial property damage to CSB within 8 hours (CSB's December 2019 proposed rule included a four hour deadline, which was doubled to 8 hours in the Final Rule).

If a release report has already been made to the National Response Center (NRC), the facility can meet its obligation under the new CSB reporting requirement by submitting the NRC identification number immediately after filing the report to NRC.

You can view the final rule at the following link: www.csb.gov/assets/1/6/prepublicationcopy2-3-20.pdf