

American Society of Safety Professionals – Augusta Chapter Newsletter

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It's Pollen season. The Augusta Master's is complete with a comeback victory by Tiger Woods, and the days are getting longer and hotter. We are at that point in the year when the board reflects back on the accomplishments and prepare for the election of the upcoming board.

The year was filled with a tour of Phinizy swamp, several great presentations, and a volunteer effort at Ronald McDonald house. The bar is set for another great year.

The chapter was notified by ASSP National that we are being awarded a bronze award for the year!! We will receive the award at the National conference in New Orleans this summer.

May Meeting: USC Aiken safety program survey results & Annual election of board



Join us Tuesday, May 14, 2019 for our meeting at Industrial Rubber and Supply

Dinner Meeting - 5:30 PM Tuesday, May 14, 2019

Industrial Rubber and Supply 3326 Mike Padgett Hwy, Augusta, GA 30906 \$7.50 Members \$10.00 Non-Members

RSVP: https://augusta.assp.org/event/

Take Bobby Jones Expressway (I-520) to exit 9 (Mike Padgett Highway). Turn towards downtown. Industrial Rubber and Supply is the first building on your right.

IH Corner: Environmental Protection Agency Issues Rule

EPA Rules Herbicide Glyphosate Presents No Risk to Public Health

EPA has found no risks to public health from the current registered uses of glyphosate," EPA Administrator Andrew Wheeler said to the public. "Today's proposed action includes new management measures that will help farmers use glyphosate in the most effective and efficient way possible, including pollinator protections.

U.S. juries have awarded two California farmers millions of dollars after the men claimed they had cancer because of using the weed killer on their crops. The first man reportedly will receive \$78 million if Bayer's appeals are denied. In March 2019, a jury ruled the second man should receive \$80 million.

Previously-sealed documents showed Jess Rowland, a now-retired EPA official, allegedly colluded with Monsanto experts to allow sales of Roundup. Court documents comprised of internal emails showed that some research previously relied upon had been conducted by the company's employees.

https://www.ehstoday.com/industrial-hygiene/epa-rules-glyphosate-presents-no-risk-public-health

Government Affairs: Osha Did Not Follow Procedures

OSHA didn't follow procedures when issuing guidance documents...

A new report says in 80% of cases analyzed, OSHA didn't follow proper procedures when issuing guidance documents. The Department of Labor's Office of Inspector General (IG) says between Oct. 1, 2013 and March 18, 2016, OSHA issued 296 guidance documents.

Of 57 random documents reviewed by the IG, 46 (80%) didn't follow written procedures for OSHA's criteria for issuing guidance.

Neither the IG nor OSHA addressed what might happen to the other guidance documents that were issued in violation of the Administrative Procedures Act (APA) during the Obama administration.

The Trump administration has its own APA problems. The Washington Post reports the current administration has lost two-thirds of cases in court where it's accused of violating the APA.

 $\underline{http://www.safetynewsalert.com/report-osha-didnt-follow-procedures-when-issuing-guidance-\underline{documents/}}$

ASSP Chapter Information





Communication Tools:

The Augusta Chapter has our chapter's upcoming events and newsletters posted on the web. Check out our website at https://augusta.assp.org/for Job Openings in the community.

We are developing a Facebook page for the Augusta Chapter as another means to communicate with our membership. We are updating information now and would love for you to join us there.



MAY MEETING

Holding a leadership position within the American Society of Safety Professionals gives you the opportunity to influence the Society's and Chapter's direction and the safety profession's future.

On May 14, 2019, we will be voting on officers for the chapter.

Nominees are:

- ➤ President James Charlton
- ➤ Vice President (President-Elect) Angela Ray
- ➤ Treasurer Alex Brown
- ➤ Secretary Chrissi Park
- ➤ Delegate to the Society House of Delegates Angela Ray

Chapter Officers	Future Meetings – Hold the Date The 2 nd Tues of each month	
President Chrissi Park Kimberly-Clark Corporation (803) 867-4517 Chrissi.m.park@kcc.com President-Elect James Charlton SRS (706) 691-5789 jcharlton2@gmail.com	May 14, 2019 June 2019 July 2019 August 2019 September 2019	Election of Officers USC Aiken Survey results TBD TBD TBD TBD
Treasurer Alex Brown SHEPRD EHS (440) 292-5559 Alexander.brown@sheprdehs.com Secretary OPEN Membership Wendy Stack Industrial Rubber & Supply (706) 798-8437 wstack@irsaug.com Government Affairs Angel Ray SRNS Angela.ray@srs.gov Programs Stan Norton Industrial Rubber & Supply (706) 790-6550 snorton@irsaug.com Public Relations Erika Craig SRNS Erika.craig@srs.gov	Call for Speakers We are seeking nominations, referrals, ideas, suggestions, recommendations, proposals, hints, etc. for speakers or topics for upcoming ASSP Meetings. Please contact any of the Chapter Officers with your thoughts.	
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