

CNY SAFETY

Central New York Chapter



EMPIRE STATE SAFETY 2007 PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT CONFERENCE

Chapter members and friends, save the dates! April 18 and 19 for our Chapter's annual professional development conference and vendor expo!

What:

CNY ASSE annual professional development conference and vendor exposition, **Empire State Safety 2007.**

When:

Wednesday, April 18th,
Pre-conference seminars

Thursday, April 19th,
General conference and
vendor expo

Where:

Double Tree Hotel & Conference Center (formerly the Wyndham Hotel), 6301 Route 298, East Syracuse. Right off the Carrier Circle and Thruway exit #35.

Wednesday, April 18th

Two different, full day classes presented by Mr. Bob Coffey, CSP and Mr. Larry Hansen, CSP. Both Bob and Larry are professional members of ASSE. Cost of each course is \$125, which includes lunch. Find out more about these experienced health and safety professionals here:

Bob Coffey—
<http://www.wrccsafety.com/>

Larry Hansen—
<http://www.l2hsos.com/>

Thursday, April 19th

Approximately eight different presentations to choose from, addressing professional safety, homeland (local) security, and environmental topics. Registration will begin at 7:30am. Cost will be \$100 for ASSE members, \$125 for non ASSE members, which includes lunch. Three or more attendees from the same company receive a 15 % discount.

Ken Waldby is the point of contact at kenw@ecmcorp.net or 315-687-0017

More details and registration information to come soon. Support your local chapter and earn CEUs!

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CURRENT H&S BILLS IN NEW YORK STATE

Recently the New York State Assembly has proposed several new bills that may affect local safety and health professionals. As a member of the CNY ASSE chapter, we feel that you should be aware of these happenings.

1. Proposal to license H&S professionals. (A02481)

2. Toxic mold safety and protection act. (S01752)
3. Removal of lead, asbestos, and hazardous waste (A01725)

Get informed! To find our more details about these proposals, go to: <http://assembly.state.ny.us/leg/>

On this site, you can search for bills either by keyword or bill number.

If you'd like to get more involved, contact you local chapter governmental affairs representative, or contact our Area governmental affairs representative, Don Garman, at dgarman@rochester.rr.com



ARE YOU READY FOR GLOBAL HARMONIZATION? GHS: GLOBAL HARMONIZATION OF LABELING AND CLASSIFICATION OF CHEMICALS TECHNICAL AUDIO CONFERENCE CALL

March 21, 2007

**11:00 am - 12:30 pm
Central Time**

The ASSE Technical Audio Conference Series provides listeners with the most up to date information on issues that significantly impact the SH&E profession. On Wednesday, March 21, Jennifer Silk and Mary Frances Lowe will present "GHS: Global Harmonization of Labeling and Classification of Chemicals".

Whether you are ready or not, the Globally Harmonized System of Classification and Labeling of Chemicals (GHS) is coming to the U.S.A. and will affect your Hazard Communication programs whether you are a manufacturer, importer, distributor, or end user. Now is the time to learn more about GHS – what it is, what it is not, and how it will change Material Safety

Data Sheets (MSDS) and your Hazard Communication (HAZCOM) Program and the impact on SH&E professionals.

Our audio conference call is scheduled for March 21, 2007. The conference call will start at 11:00 AM Central Standard Time (CST) and last 90 minutes. The presentation will last approximately 60 minutes and will be followed by approximately 30 minutes of questions and answers. For those participants unable to attend, ASSE will offer a recording of the call, which can be accessed at any time.

Speakers Mary Francis Lowe of the EPA Office Pesticide Programs, and Jennifer Silk, formerly Deputy Director, Directorate of Standards and Guidance, OSHA, will provide participants with an overview of GHS and its impact on all segments of the regulated community. In this 90- min-

ute call the following topics will be covered:

- Background of GHS
- Elements of GHS
- Probable impact of GHS on the Hazard Communication Program

The Management Practice Specialty of ASSE is the sponsor of this Technical Audio Conference Call. Christopher Gates, the Management Practice Specialty Assistant Administrator, will facilitate this call.

**Save the Date: March 21,
2007 from 11:00 a.m. to
12:30 p.m. central time**

If you would like to participate **Simply register ONLINE below, or contact our Customer Service Department at 847/699-2929.**

Member Price \$75.00
AIHA/ACHMM \$85.00
List Price \$95.00

<http://www.asse.org/>



NEW ASSE WEBPAGE LAUNCHED

The redesigned website for ASSE is now available at

<http://www.asse.org>

ASSE's redesigned website provides members with a fresh, clean look coupled with robust navigation and real-time report functionality. But this is not a one-time event; ASSE will continue to phase in improvements and functionality as they become available. It will be an ongoing process.

Our overall objective is to provide a "better" user experience. It's about providing you with the information you need and want – whether it is learning about ASSE products and services; registering for an event or buying a book; reviewing the latest TQA bulletin or downloading the latest practice specialty newsletter.

The goal is to provide these quickly and efficiently.

Prior to redesign, research was gathered and best practices were integrated from sites such as Apple and Adobe (formerly Macromedia) User groups. Studies from the Nielsen Norman Group were also incorporated. The site is consciously intended to help ASSE members and other SH&E professionals communicate the value of the Society and the profession to their employers, employees and the general public.

Features of the site include:

- Flash messaging system
- Clean, concise layout
- Standardized icons

- Back office integration (reporting functions)

- Google search engine

We have also incorporated a new [feedback form](#) on our home page, so please let us know how we can continue to improve our online efforts.

Thanks again for your continued support.

NOTE: if you think you are still viewing the old site, please hit "refresh" to be sure you are seeing the most current version of our new website.

-Jon Schwerman
E-Commerce Marketing
Manager, ASSE



President's FY 2008 Budget Request for Department of Labor's OSHA Will Increase Federal Enforcement and Compliance Assistance

WASHINGTON -- Edwin G. Foulke Jr., assistant secretary of labor for OSHA, announced that President Bush has requested \$490.3 million for OSHA in fiscal year 2008. The request represents an increase of nearly \$18 million over the FY 2007 continuing resolution level and includes increases for federal enforcement and federal compliance assistance.

Foulke explained the increase will help the agency improve workplace safety and health through compliance assistance and enforce-

ment of occupational safety and health regulations and standards. "We are proposing to increase resources supporting the Voluntary Protection Programs (VPP) by more than \$4.6 million," Foulke said. "VPP recognizes exemplary work sites for their enhanced safety and health performance. This translates into substantial benefits for both employers and employees, including significant reductions in injury and illness rates which have proven to deliver millions of dollars in cost savings for participants."

During FY 2008, OSHA will remain positioned to continue its focus on workplace safety and health through an overall balanced approach that includes:

- strong, fair and effective enforcement;
- outreach, education and compliance assistance, and
- cooperative and voluntary programs.

For more information, visit the OSHA website at <http://www.osha.gov/>



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[HTTP://CNY.ASSE.ORG](http://CNY.ASSE.ORG)

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MARCH CHAPTER MEETING DETAILS

Chapter members and friends are invited to join us for our Thursday, March 15th Chapter meeting. This is a lunch time meeting that will begin at 11:30 am.

Speaker: Dr. Thomas Phelan, Strategic Teaching Associates

Topic: Emergency Planning and Crisis Management

Dr. Thomas D. Phelan, President, Strategic Teaching Associates, Inc., is a Founding Member of the U.S. Department of Homeland Security, a member of the IBM Crisis Response Team, serving at Hurricane Katrina, and in the Indian Ocean Tsunami. He served on the Onondaga County Fire Advisory Board, the Board of PPBI, the Editorial Advisory Boards for Disaster Recovery Journal and Emergency Management Canada, and is a member of IAEM.

Dr. Phelan teaches at Elmira College, the OCC Public Safety Training

Center, and Empire State College. Tom earned a Doctorate from Syracuse University, and has consulted and presented in the United States, Canada, United Kingdom, India, Sri Lanka, and Singapore.

Cost: \$15.00 for lunch

Location: Coleman's Irish Pub, 100 South Lowell Ave, Syracuse

RSVP as soon as possible to Ken Waldby at kenw@ecmcorp.net

