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President's Message

September 2019

It's hard to believe fall is right around the corner. Like a lot of you, I'm looking forward to some cooler weather.

A special thanks to Midwest Public Risk for hosting our first meeting of this new term. It was great to see so many familiar faces, not to mention so many new members and guests. Todd Sieleman did a nice job outlining some of the areas we can expect OSHA to be focused on in 2020.

If you haven't already seen it, there's a volunteer activity survey we're sending out to gauge interest in a Chapter activity. Please spend a minute or two to provide your feedback.

Speaking of feedback, some of the comments from our 2019 Member Survey mentioned wanting more training on driver and vehicle controls. We're excited to have Darren Beard and Kristin Danner talking about automotive risks, as well as evolving technology to help manage that risk.

Our next meeting is at the Zoo. Please make sure to register if you're planning on attending. We need a firm headcount for the caterer.

Please check our Chapter website regularly for important news, including training opportunities, job postings, career fairs, etc. <https://kc.assp.org/>

We look forward to seeing you on October 21st!

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New Members

- Eric Brauman
- Jeffrey Arnold
- Robert Keyes
- Ty Williams
- Eric Schultz – Broadway Ergonomics
- Richard Lunceford – Independence Power & Light
- Morghan Buerky
- William Corlett
- Jeremy Swezey
- Landon Myers
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If you know someone who would like to join ASSP Heart of America Chapter please direct them [HERE!](#)



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OSHA Update Meeting Photos



 Metropolitan
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Job Openings

Please check out our website for recent job postings. <https://kc.assp.org/>

During the September meeting, ASSP members mentioned current job opportunities

- YRC –Claims Position
- Custom Truck – EH&S Positions
- Hallmark – Safety Position
- Smithfield Foods – Safety Position
- Kansas Consultation Service

Next Meetings

October 21st: Fleet Safety at the Zoo

November 8th: Total Worker Wellness at Lockton (in conjunction with a blood drive)

December 5th: Networking event & Jeopardy Game

Safety Education

Formally known as Seminarfest, SafetyFOCUS 2020 is a one-of-a-kind educational event that allows you to spend an entire week immersed in a wide variety of safety-related courses, all in one location — reducing costly and time-consuming travel the rest of the year. Build a personalized schedule by selecting from more than 100 safety training courses. Fulfill your Continuing Education Unit (CEU) requirements surrounded by like-minded peers.



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Safety FOCUS

To register for SafetyFOCUS 2020 please use this [LINK](#).

Are Your Fixed Ladders Compliant with OSHA Regulations?

To learn more about this hot topic use the link [HERE](#).

Working Smoke Alarms Are a Must

Fire Prevention Week starts on October 6th. As the colder weather approaches, people will start firing up their furnaces and fireplaces, so this is a good time to remind people about basic fire safety.

About three out of five fire deaths happen in homes with no smoke alarms or working smoke alarms. Smoke alarms are a key part of a home fire escape plan providing early warning reducing your risk of dying in a fire. The National Fire Protection Association recommends you:

- Install smoke alarms on every level of your home, inside bedrooms and outside sleeping areas on the ceiling or high on the wall
- Keep smoke alarms away from the kitchen, at least 10 feet from the stove, to reduce false alarms
- Use special alarms with strobe lights and bed shakers for people who are hard of hearing or deaf
- Test smoke alarms monthly
- Replace batteries annually, and change the batteries in your carbon monoxide detector at the same time
- Replace smoke alarms and carbon monoxide detectors that are 10 or more years old

Executive Committee

Executive Committee contact information. We always welcome questions, comments and suggestions.



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