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President's Message

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May 2026



Hello to my fellow chapter members. As this is my final newsletter as your president, I would like to give my thanks to the chapter and all that has come with being your president. We have had a great year, with many great speakers and venues to be thankful for. We have built a great executive committee full of eager volunteers, that rivals the best of them. I am moving to the past president's position and leaving the president's role in great hands with Ashley Parker July 1st as our terms finish.

Our last meeting of our chapter's year was hosted by Herzig Engineering and featured a keynote speaker on AI, David Maples, J.D. who opened our eyes to the cybersecurity threats that can be physically disastrous and deadly. Has anyone heard of the 2017 Triton malware attack at a refinery? With most of our crowd surrounding the speaker afterwards with questions, and great survey results, I can say we had a successful cherry on top for this year.

Speaking of successful years, we are expecting another platinum chapter year for this term. Congratulations to the chapter for being recognized by our society for providing top-notch value to our members.

From my first newsletter as president, to my last one, I am thankful for our amazing board, executive committee, and chapter. We have a great volunteer group here running this chapter, and a familiar new board on-deck. Thank you, all, and I am happy that I volunteered to be your president.

Respectfully,

Michael Carlson, CSP



NEW MEMBERS

WELCOME!



- **Mr. Terry Duane Vaughn, CHST**
- **Scott L Huddleston, RIMS-CRMP**
- **Jenny Lynn Jasper, COSS, COSM**
- **Luis Bravo Gonzalez**
- **Keaton Bolinger, CSP, CHST**

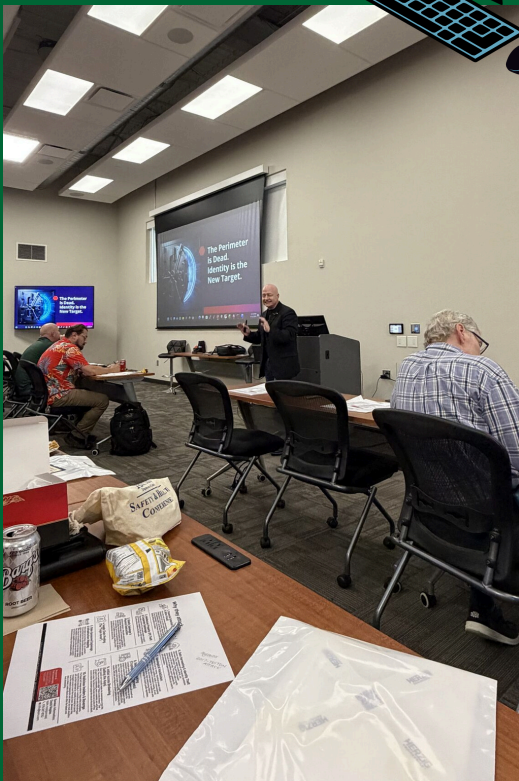
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**There are
currently no
events
scheduled**

The Chapter website provides information regarding upcoming events and training held by our Chapter, other ASSP Chapters, ASSP, and from other organizations with safety, health, environmental and risk management topics that may interest you. Please visit the website regularly to view upcoming events that may not be specifically listed in the newsletter.

CHAPTER EVENTS

Chapter Meeting - Cyber Security and AI presented by David Maples





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If you or someone that you know in the safety profession are looking for employment, jobs openings are posted on our Chapter website. Please check out our website for recent job postings.

Looking for a Job?

If so, then send your resume to

president@kc.assp.org

- [Safety and Training Specialist III](#)
 - [Safety Specialist](#)
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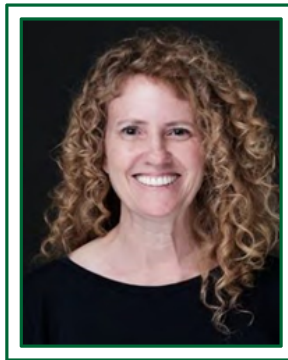
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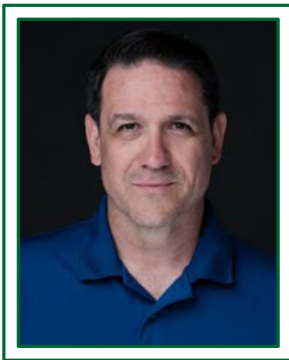
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