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President:

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President's Memo

I just returned from the fall ASSE Region 1, Operating Committee (ROC) meeting in Burbank. These meetings are a required part of maintaining our chapter and occur twice a year. The current chapter presidents or their proxy are gathered to discuss regional business, share successes and challenges, network with other chapters, and make decisions for the region. Our region is comprised of 19 chapters from 5 states (Alaska, Washington, Oregon, California, and Hawaii), with a total of 5400 members.

Our Regional Vice President (RVP) has been required to visit all 19 chapters within their 2 year term along with maintaining their normal full time job. This is a task that takes quite a bit of time, energy, and resources. ASSE has been working to restructure the regional leadership to help reduce the workload of the RVP. Last spring, the ROC voted to adopt the Area Director model to help solve this problem and established a sub-committee to look at ways to define how it would look for Region 1.

This fall, the ROC voted to establish three Area Directors and defined how the model would look. Alaska, Washington and Hawaii will be one area comprised of six chapters. Oregon and northern California will make up another area, also with six chapters. Southern California will make up the third area, with seven chapters. During the meeting, working groups formed naturally based on the new area model, and we immediately began networking within our newly formed area. I believe Alaska, Hawaii, and Washington have a unique trade relationship and believe that the area model joining our chapters will work well.

Thanks for being part of a great network of professionals.

--John

Silent Auction Fundraiser

We will be having a silent auction fundraiser at our December meeting. This is a perfect opportunity to do a little Christmas shopping and support our chapter at the same time! We are looking for auction items, so if you have anything to donate, please contact Tina Holland at sandtholland@gmail.com. Tina has graciously agreed to collect the items and hold them until the December meeting.

Executive Program Launch at ASSE Headquarters (from ASSE Chapter Services Update)

[ASSE's Executive Program in Safety Management Certificate Program](#) was introduced in 2002 and has been completed by over 700 safety professionals. Since the original content of the program was delivered, safety management thinking has evolved with many new concepts influencing the way safety is now being delivered. Recognizing these great strides in safety management, ASSE is now featuring the Executive Program with:

- Contemporary Safety Management Methods
- Influential Leadership Strategies
- Successful Implementation of New Safety Management Concepts in your Organization

Be a part of the Executive Program launch yourself! Spread the word to your members about this great opportunity!

Join us at ASSE headquarters November 5-11, where we will be hosting the Executive Program's two required seminars:

ADVANCED SAFETY MANAGEMENT METHODS

November 7-9, 2016

Park Ridge, IL

2.1 CEUs

INFLUENTIAL LEADERSHIP SKILLS

November 10-11, 2016

Park Ridge, IL

1.4 CEUs

To learn more about the Executive Program and its requirements or to register for headquarter seminars click [here](#). You can also download this flyer to share with your members! [Executive Program Flyer \(8 downloads\)](#)

Society Award Nominations Due Nov. 1

If you are interested in nominating a fellow ASSE member for the Honor of Fellow, the Society SPY, or the Outstanding Safety Educator Award (OSEA), the time to start the petition is now. This is a great way to recognize an outstanding member of your chapter.

In addition, if your chapter or region has awarded a SPY, consider nominating your most recent recipient for a Society award.

Some quick details:

- Information on how to prepare an awards petition is available at: <http://www.asse.org/awards/>.
- Deadline for Honor of Fellow petitions and Society SPY petitions is November 1. Outstanding Safety Educator Award petitions are due January 1. Society SPY and OSEA petitions may be submitted electronically.
- All members who meet posted nomination requirements are encouraged to apply for the awards.
- Practice Specialty, Region and Chapter SPY recipients are especially encouraged to apply for the Society SPY.

If you have any questions, please contact Laura Clements at lclements@asse.org or 847-768-3451.

Midnight Sun Chapter's Website If you have any suggestions or ideas on how we can make YOUR Chapter experience better, please let any of the Officers/Executive Committee know. Our contact info is listed on the Chapter Website under the "About" tab. Thanks for all each of you do to improve safety and health in your places of business, communities, and personal activities. I also encourage you to become more active in the Chapter and by doing so you can help ensure the continued growth and value that the Chapter provides. As always, you can keep up to date by visiting the Chapter website at <http://midnightsun.asse.org/index.php>