

## President's Message

OKC Chapter Members,

We started off the holiday season with a bang with the return of our Annual Sporting Clay Shoot. It is one of my favorite chapter events each and every year and I was beyond happy to get back to Quail Ridge for another fun day away from the office. I hope everyone that came out enjoyed themselves as much as I did. I want to give a big shout out to Cody Vinyard and Mark Huddleston for all of their efforts in putting together this event. Thank you to all of our sponsors as well. This event is all about having fun and bringing people together, but it also serves as a fundraising opportunity for the Oklahoma City Chapter. Your participation and generosity at events such as this allow the OKC Chapter to continue to support the ASSP Foundation scholarship and professional grant funds that benefit our student and professional members. Please visit <https://foundation.assp.org/scholarships-and-grants/> for more information.

With the hustle and bustle of the holiday season comes many opportunities for incidents and injuries around the home. Whether you are hanging Christmas lights, cutting wood for the fireplace, or simply fighting traffic to do some last-minute shopping, it is important that safety professionals' practice what we preach. I encourage everyone to plan ahead accordingly, assess the hazards, and use the correct tools and PPE for whichever task you find yourself doing.

Merry Christmas and Happy Holidays!

Respectfully,  
Shawn Helton, CSP  
President, OKC Chapter ASSP



**Shawn Helton, CSP**  
Sr. Health & Safety Field Coordinator  
Enable Midstream

**Next Chapter Meeting:**

**Friday, January 14, 2022 11:30 AM**

**Location:**

Moore Norman Technology Center-  
South Penn Campus  
(13301 S Pennsylvania OKC, OK 73170)



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## Sporting Clay Shoot

Friday, November 5, 2021 was our annual sporting clay shoot at Quail Ridge Sporting Clays. We had a great turnout and raised just under \$7,000 to contribute towards ASSP Foundation Scholarship and Grant Fund! Hiland Dairy provided drinks for breakfast and Ritz Safety provided an amazing lunch. Charles Huard with Wicked OSHA had a booth. Thank you to all who participated! A big thank you to Cody Vinyard and Mark Huddleston for organizing this event.



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## Announcements

### ASSP OKC Meetings

ASSP is looking for speakers for upcoming chapter meetings. If your company is interested in sponsoring an upcoming chapter meeting lunch or hosting tours of their facility please contact Shawn Helton ([president@okc.assp.org](mailto:president@okc.assp.org)) or Bill Young ([youngwc@oge.com](mailto:youngwc@oge.com)).

### ASSP Foundation Scholarship Applications Now Open

#### ASSP Foundation Academic Scholarship Program

Academic scholarships are available for students within the occupational safety and health field, preparing for their careers or looking to supplement their careers with additional college coursework.

Applications for ASSP Foundation academic scholarships are accepted October 15, 2021–**January 15, 2022**.

Programs of study must be either directly related to the occupational safety and health field or will be utilized to support the occupational safety and health field. This can include a variety of degrees. If your degree is not directly related to occupational safety and health, you will be asked to clarify how you will be using your degree to support the field of occupational safety and health.

Academic scholarships are announced on or around May 15, 2022.

#### ASSP Foundation Professional Education Grant Program

Professional education grants are available for individuals within the occupational safety and health field (either students or professionals) who need financial support for certification expenses, conference attendance, webinar attendance, workshop attendance, and similar professional development support.

College courses are not covered by the professional education grant program; applicants must use the scholarship application if requesting support for college courses.

Applications for ASSP Foundation professional education grants are accepted year-round, with awards made on a rolling basis, based on availability.

For more information, visit <https://foundation.assp.org/scholarships-and-grants/>

Questions? email us at [foundation@assp.org](mailto:foundation@assp.org)

### Member-Get-A-Member campaign

ASSP has a Member-Get-A-Member program established where people can gain rewards from society for referring new members (<https://www.assp.org/membership/member-get-a-member>).





## Announcements

### ASSP Hardship Program

This program offers a one-year complimentary membership to individuals that have lost their job.

[https://www.assp.org/docs/default-source/community-leader-resources/assp\\_hardshipform\\_2020.pdf?sfvrsn=58d4b447\\_0](https://www.assp.org/docs/default-source/community-leader-resources/assp_hardshipform_2020.pdf?sfvrsn=58d4b447_0)

### ASSP Safety Focus Conference

- In-Person February 21-25 in Phoenix, AZ
- Online course available February 21-March 4
- Unlike a traditional safety conference, where you get an overview of several important safety concepts, SafetyFOCUS instructors spend more time on each subject. It's a more focused way to learn what you need to know and get back to business.

### Free Resources for ASSP Members

#### The Case for Safety Podcast

The Case for Safety Podcast features conversations with safety experts sharing their ideas and insights you can use to help your organization improve worker safety and health.

Check out the latest episode in which author and safety professional Tricia Kagerer discusses challenges women face in safety and business, and shares insights to help you improve your organization.



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## Upcoming Events

### January Chapter Meeting

**Date:** Friday, January 14, 2022

**Time:** 11:30 AM

**Location:** Moore Norman Technology Center- South Penn Campus (13301 S Pennsylvania OKC, OK 73170)

### February Chapter Meeting

**Date:** Friday, February 11, 2022

**Time:** 11:30 AM

**Location:** Francis Tuttle Reno Campus

### March Chapter Meeting

**Date:** Friday, March 11, 2022

**Time:** 11:30 AM

**Location:** Francis Tuttle Reno Campus



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## United States Department of Labor Bulletin

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HELPING BUSINESSES IMPLEMENT SAFETY AND HEALTH PROGRAMS IN THE WORKPLACE

### Learn How to Conduct Self-Inspections

At the core of every effective safety and health program is a systematic process for finding and fixing workplace hazards. Self-inspections are a critical part of a safety and health management system. These inspections are important in identifying new or emerging hazards, and ensuring the safety and health of workers. View [Maryland Occupational Safety and Health \(MOSH\) Consultation Services' microlearning on conducting self-inspections](#).



### Encourage Workers to Participate

Workers often know the most about potential workplace hazards associated with their jobs, and they may be able to recommend simple, effective solutions. Managers should create an environment where workers feel encouraged to speak up and offer their input. Learn how to [include worker participation in your business' safety and health policy](#).

### US DOL Initiates Rulemaking to Protect Workers from Heat Hazards

Heat is the leading cause of death among all weather-related workplace hazards. On October 27, 2021, OSHA published an [Advance Notice of Proposed Rulemaking \(ANPRM\) for Heat Injury and Illness Prevention in Outdoor and Indoor Work Settings](#) in the Federal Register. With this publication, OSHA is beginning the rulemaking process to consider a heat-specific workplace standard that will more effectively protect workers from hazardous heat.

The publication of the ANPRM initiated a 60-day public comment period allowing OSHA to gather information, diverse perspectives, and technical expertise on issues that might be considered in developing a heat standard. OSHA encourages members of the public to review and submit comments on the ANPRM during the public comment period. You may submit comments and attachments, identified by Docket No. OSHA-2021-0009, electronically at [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov). The comment period will **close on Dec. 27, 2021**.



### ANPRM Fact Sheet

OSHA's notice-and-comment rulemaking process relies heavily on input from the public, including affected workers, the regulated community, and other stakeholders. Download the [ANPRM Fact Sheet](#) to learn how to participate, to submit materials or review materials submitted to OSHA, and to read about the topics OSHA is seeking information on.

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