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## ***President's Message***

Greetings,

The Summer of 2001 is in full swing and so is the planning for our Training Institute. We are looking for your ideas for specific courses to satisfy the needs of our membership. If you have suggestions, will you notify Carl Cronin at (310) 652 - 2921.

Membership certificates and CSSP's will be mailed upon full payment so if you have not mailed in your membership payment, please make the effort soon.

I am pleased to appoint Kelly Cross as Student Representative to our Board. Kelly will serve as liaison for Student needs and issues.

The National Safety Congress will be Atlanta in September. Make your reservations if you are planning on participating. September will be here before you know it. You can visit <http://www.appcluster05.com/nsc2001splash.cfm> for the more information.

Our August Speaker will be Victor Kennedy from the UCLA Medical Center. He will be speaking about the complexities of Safety and Security of a research and medical facility.

I hope to see you at the meeting.

Vincent Takas

## **Labor Department Plans Ergonomics Hearings**

(From Occupational Hazards – July 2001)

In a significant policy shift, Secretary of Labor Elaine Chao announced there will be three national public hearings on ergonomics beginning. The hearings will help to determine whether to regulate – or not regulate – occupational hazards that cause repetitive motion injuries.

In addition, Chao set herself a September deadline to identify the final course of action on the issue. Until the June 7 announcement, Chao had stoutly defended the administration's view that it is premature to consider new ergonomics rulemaking and that deadlines on the controversial issue are counter-productive.

Chao's options include new rulemaking, voluntary guidelines, technical assistance to companies, partnerships, or some combination of these possibilities.

The first hearing was held in Washington, D.C. on July 16, Illinois on July 20, and California on July 24. Chao and senior DOL officials will participate in portions of the forums, along with other stakeholder groups.

"Defining the best approach for ergonomics injuries is not a simple process and we need everyone's voice heard in the process," Chao said.

There are three big unanswered questions left over from the old rule that needs to be discussed.

1. Definition: how to define an ergonomics injury and determine if it is work-related.
2. Trigger: when should a company install an ergonomics program?
3. Should there be an ergonomics standard at all?

Chao's approach to the issue will be based on science and the need for prevention, incentives, flexibility, and clarity.

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## ***June Speaker***

Ms. Joannette Alpert, MS, PT, CIE, CPE, Vice President and CFO, Woodward-Alpert & Associates, Inc. was our guest speaker. She spoke on the status of the Ergonomic Standard and what we need to do in order to implement a program that will prevent ergonomic related injuries at our workplace.

## **Attention All Members**

In our continuing effort to minimize our cost for the newsletter, we are making every effort to send the newsletter out via e-mail. If you currently receive this in the mail, please send your e-mail address to: [petergin@earthlink.net](mailto:petergin@earthlink.net). Thank you for your consideration to help our organization save postage expenses.

## **New Members**

Jamis A. Bickel	Dave T. Leuer
Victor J. Urena	Joann M. Blayney
Lynn Allen	Kellie C. Cross

## **Tips for Summer Maintenance**

Summer months, when temperatures can climb above 100 degrees, may require additional maintenance for your vehicles to combat the heat. The following six maintenance tips can help your vehicle up-to-speed.

1. Increase the frequency of your coolant system inspections during the hot months. Steam cleaning the radiator will get rid of clogged dirt that can trap heat in. Regularly check the coolant level to ensure your engine won't overheat.
2. Choose a lubricant with the appropriate viscosity grade for the summer months. Unless you live in a very cold climate, 15W40 (motor oil) can be used year-round. It is designed to remain thicker when the temperatures are hot and thinner when it's cold outside.
3. Perform regular inspections on your equipment's air filter. Since the summer months are dry and dusty, it's important to keep cool air circulating throughout your vehicle. Using a restriction gauge and checking it regularly is a very good practice.
4. Step up general equipment cleaning during the summer months. Dirt and grease build up will trap heat in. During cleaning operations, look for leaks and repair as needed.
5. Use correct concentrate of antifreeze is equally important in the summer as it is in the winter. Too much antifreeze lowers the heat-removal property of water. Too little antifreeze in the summer may not provide essential corrosion protection. Fifty percent water and 50% antifreeze concentration is still the golden rule.
6. The air-conditioning system is key for the summer months. Keep them maintained and check for system leaks within the AC circuit.

## CSUDH Courses

The following courses are available for the Certificate of Completion in Environmental Health and Safety.

### HEX 960 – 01 OSHA & Environmental Law

2.0 CEU CRN 47784  
Don Christian, JD, MA Loyola University

7 mtgs. Thur. Aug. 30 – Oct. 11  
6 – 9 pm CSUDH EE 1217 \$250.00

### HEX 946 – 01 Industrial Accident Investigation

2.0 CEU CRN 47783  
John O’Toole, Ph.D., RSSP, Health & Safety Consultant

7 mtgs. Tue. Sept. 4 – Oct. 16  
6 – 9 pm CSUDH EE 1217 \$250.00

### HEX 954 – 01 CAL/OSHA Citation Appeals

#### Procedures

1.5 CEU CRN 47779  
Don Christian, JD, MA Loyola University

2 mtgs. Sat. Oct. 13 & 20  
8am – 4 pm CSUDH EE 1209 \$180.00

### HEX 966 – 01 Basic Adult First Aid and CPR

1.5 CEU CRN 47782

Linda Hunter, ZEE Medical, Certified Phlebotomist

5 mtgs. Tue. Oct. 23 – Nov. 20  
6 – 9 pm CSUDH EE 1210 \$180.00

### HEX 956 – 01 Bloodborne Pathogens

1.5 CEU CRN 47781  
Linda Hunter, ZEE Medical, Certified Phlebotomist

5 mtgs. Thur. Nov. 1 – Dec. 6  
6 – 9 pm CSUDH EE 1217 \$180.00

### HEX 910 – 01 Safety & Health for the Construction Industry (Part A)

1.5 CEU CRN 48076

Charles A. Merriam, RSSP, New York University

5 mtgs. Wed. Oct. 17 – Nov. 14  
6 – 9 pm CSUDH EE 1205 \$180.00

### HEX 911 – 01 Safety & Health for the Construction Industry (Part B)

1.5 CEU CRN 48077

Charles A. Merriam, RSSP, New York University

5 mtgs. Mon. Nov. 19 – Dec. 17  
6 – 9 pm CSUDH EE 1206 \$180.00

The Greater Los Angeles Chapter National Safety Council Training Institute will be offering the following courses over the next two months. You can sign-up by calling (213) 385-6461.

Confined Space Entry – 7/26/01 – Anaheim  
Handling Hazardous Materials – 7/31/01 – Anaheim

Emergency Response – 8/1/01 – Burbank  
Employee Training – 8/2/01 – Burbank  
Forklift Operator Training – 8/7/01 – Anaheim

Basic CAL/OSHA – 8/7/01 – Burbank  
Basic Safety Leadership – 8/9/01 – Burbank  
Behavior Based Safety – 8/14/01 – Burbank

Accident Investigation – 8/15/01 – Burbank  
Restaurant Safety – 8/16/01 – Burbank  
Fire Safety – 8/21/01 – Burbank

Advanced Industrial Safety – 8/22/01 – Burbank  
Forklift Instructor Safety – 8/23/01 – Anaheim  
Essentials for A Safety Program – 8/23/01 – Burbank

Safety Committees – 8/28/01 – Burbank  
Risk Management – 8/29/01 – Burbank  
Fundamentals of CAL/OSHA – 8/30/01 – Burbank

Forklift Operator Safety – 9/11/01 – Burbank  
DDC-4 Instructor Course – 9/12-13/01 – Anaheim  
Ladder Safety & Scaffolding – 9/19/01 – Anaheim

Forklift Instructor Safety – 9/20/01 – Burbank  
CAL/OSHA Citation Appeals – 9/25/01 – Anaheim

Excavation Safety – 9/26/01 – Anaheim  
Forklift Operator Safety – 10/2/01 – Anaheim  
Workers Compensation – 10/2/01 – Burbank

Secrets of CAL/OSHA – 10/4/01 – Burbank