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OUR JUNE MORNING SEMINAR

We will not be having a morning seminar in August.

OUR JUNE LUNCH MEETING – August 5, 2016 at 12:00 PM

WHAT YOU SHOULD KNOW ABOUT ACTIVE SHOOTER

CSSSP is pleased to welcome our August speaker Mr. Michael Vanags. Mr. Vanags has over 20 years of law enforcement experience. This experience includes working as a school resource officer, police officer, and detective conducting extensive investigations into crimes ranging from petty thefts to homicides. He has a passion for working with non-law enforcement personnel to help them understand that without preparation, response attempts can be futile. He is a graduate of Whittier College and the Orange County Sheriff's Academy. He is an instructor of the Drug Enforcement Administration's EPIC Operations Jetway School, holds a California Advanced P.O.S.T. Certificate, and is a licensed Private Investigator and Private Patrol Officer.

We hope you can join us at:

Lakewood Country Club
3101 E. Carson Street
Lakewood, CA 90712

Our August menu will include:

- Caesar Salad
- Warm Rolls and Butter
- Lemon Caper Citrus Beurre Blanc Chicken
- Mashed Potatoes
- Chef's Choice Vegetables
- Cheesecake Brownie

Lunch payment may be made via the “Member Meeting Tickets” PayPal link on our chapter’s website at www.csssp.org/CSSSPTickets.html or you can pay by cash, check, or credit card at the meeting. Dan Leiner will be notified by PayPal if you make your purchase online, **otherwise RSVP to Dan Leiner at danleiner@aol.com or 323-215-7025 by Tuesday, August 2, 2016** to ensure we have enough food.

PRESIDENT’S MESSAGE

I’d like to thank our June guest speaker, Charles Geraci, Business Protection Manager for the Pfizer Incorporated’s San Diego Research & Development facility, who provided us with an excellent presentation on Pfizer’s Emergency Response & Crisis Management Program. He provided an overview of the importance of being prepared for emergency response, crisis management, and business continuity programs and how to transition from one program into the other during a crisis event.

It seems that active shooter events are becoming an all-to-frequent event throughout the United States and the world. Our August speaker, Michael Vanags, will provide us with an overview of what we should know about active shooter events. I am hoping by the end of the year that we can hold a full morning seminar where we can delve deeper into this timely topic.

Annual dues notices were sent out in early May and we did not get a very good response. Our organization is volunteer based and membership dues help defray the cost of services we provide such as our free morning seminars and maintaining our website. Without dues, we could not continue to offer these free services. I’d like to encourage past members to become reacquainted with our organization by attending our seminars and lunch meetings and renew their membership. The cost of membership remains at a relatively low cost of \$50.00 per year which can be paid via PayPal on the Chapter’s website (www.csssp.org), by US Mail, or in person when you attend a meeting.

As always, we love member participation in the CSSSP. Please let me know if you have any interest in getting more involved with the CSSSP by recommending (or being) a lunch or seminar speaker or by becoming a Board Member in the future. As always, we can always use donations for our raffles; we’ll even provide you with a receipt for a tax deduction.

I hope you can join us at our August meeting.

Dan Leiner
Chapter President

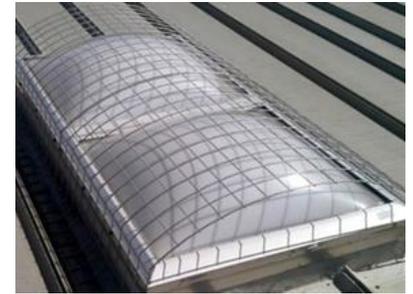
SAFETY & HEALTH HIGHLIGHT - SKYLIGHTS



Cal/OSHA recently updated its skylight regulation, Title 8, California Code of Regulations, Section 3212, *Floor Openings, Floor Holes, Skylights and Roofs*, subsection (e) which may be reviewed at www.dir.ca.gov/title8/3212.html. These updates went into effect on July 1, 2016. Skylights are inherently dangerous because they are often not guarded and are not designed to withstand the force of someone falling into the skylight. In addition, many skylights were installed years or decades ago and may have

become extremely brittle under the Southern California sun. Falls through skylights often results in very serious injuries or fatalities. The following is a summary of the recent regulatory changes when any employee approaching within 6 feet of any skylight shall be protected from falling through the skylight or skylight opening by any one of the following methods:

- **Skylight screens installed above the skylight.**
- **Skylight screens installed below the skylight.** Existing screens (i.e. burglar bars) may be considered a method of fall protection if they meet the following requirements (if they will be relied upon for fall protection):



- Screens installed at the same level or higher than the walking/working surface shall meet strength requirements.
- Screens installed within 2 feet of the walking/working surface shall meet strength requirements with increased strength based on the fall distance below the walking/working surface as determined by a qualified person. In no case shall the strength of the screen below the skylight be less than the strength requirements this section. A screen more than 2 feet below the walking/working surface shall not serve as fall protection.
- A screen shall not be used for fall protection if the broken skylight glazing will pose an impalement hazard to a worker who has fallen through the skylight and is lying on top of the screen. Skylights containing tempered,



laminated, or plastic glazing, or similar materials shall not be considered to impose an impalement hazard.

- The screen construction shall be of grillwork, with openings less than 12 inches in the least horizontal dimension.

- **Guardrails** meeting the requirements of Section 3209.

- The use of a **Personal Fall Protection System** meeting the requirements of Section 1670 of the Construction Safety Orders.



- **Covers, including the skylight itself** installed over the skylights, or skylight openings. Where the skylight itself serves as a cover, the skylight shall be required to meet only the strength requirements. Further, for skylights serving as covers, the employer shall obtain documentation from the manufacturer that the skylight will meet the strength requirements of subsection (b) for the dates that work will be performed in the vicinity of the skylight. Such documentation shall be obtained prior to the start of work and shall be made available upon request.

- **Skylight nets.**

Note there is an EXCEPTION to subsection (e) when the work is of short duration and limited exposure such as measuring, roof inspection, electrical/mechanical equipment inspection, etc., and the time involved in rigging and installing the safety devices required equal or exceed the performance of the designated tasks of measuring, roof inspection, electrical/mechanical equipment inspection, etc., these provisions may be temporarily suspended provided that adequate risk control is recognized and maintained.

SECURITY HIGHLIGHT – MOBILE DEVICES

Many of use our smart phones and tablets for both work and personal use. Stay Safe Online (<https://staysafeonline.org/>) has some great tips for keeping your information safe (<https://staysafeonline.org/stay-safe-online/mobile-and-on-the-go/mobile-devices>). Your mobile devices need to be protected. Take the following security precautions and enjoy the conveniences of technology with peace of mind while you are on the go.

Keep a Clean Machine

- **Keep security software current on all devices that connect to the Internet:** Having the most up-to-date mobile security software, web browser, operating system and apps is the best defense against viruses, malware and other online threats.
- **Delete when done:** Many of us download apps for specific purposes, such as planning a vacation, and no longer need them afterwards, or we may have previously downloaded apps that are longer useful or interesting to us. It's a good security practice to delete all apps you no longer use.

Protect Your Personal (and Work) Information

- **Secure your devices:** Use strong passwords, passcodes or other features such as touch identification to lock your devices. Securing your device can help protect your information if your device is lost or stolen and keep prying eyes out.
- **Personal information is like money – Value it. Protect it.:** Information about you, such as the games you like to play, what you search for online and where you shop and live, has value – just like money. Be thoughtful about who gets that information and how it's collected through apps and websites.
- **Own your online presence:** Use security and privacy settings on websites and apps to manage what is shared about you and who sees it.
- **Now you see me, now you don't:** Some stores and other locations look for devices with WiFi or Bluetooth turned on to track your movements while you are within range. Disable WiFi and Bluetooth when not in use.

Connect with Care

- **Get savvy about WiFi hotspots:** Public wireless networks and hotspots are not secure, which means that anyone could potentially see what you are doing on your laptop or smartphone while you are connected to them. Limit what you do on public WiFi, and avoid logging in to key accounts like email and financial services. Consider using a virtual private network (VPN) or a personal/mobile hotspot if you need a more secure connection.
- **When in doubt, don't respond:** Fraudulent text messages, calls and voicemails are on the rise. Just as with email, mobile requests for personal data or immediate action are almost always scams.

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