



California Society of Safety & Security Professionals

April 5, 2019

NO Morning Seminar

Lunch Meeting - 11:30 am - 1 pm

Lakewood Country Club

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Morning Seminar

There is NO morning seminar for April, 2019.



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Morning Session Speaker

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Luncheon Speaker

Our luncheon speaker will be our very own, Ms. Jennifer Press. She will talk about How to Build a Safety Culture. Come and hear how you can enhance your efforts to make your workplace a safety environment and get employees engaged to work safely.

Lunch Menu

Caesar Salad
Caramelized Green Beans
Roasted Garlic Baby Reds
Roasted Lemon Caper Chicken
Chunky Chocolate Cake

April is Distracted Driving Awareness Month

Every day, at least nine Americans die and 100 are injured in distracted driving crashes. Cell phones, dashboard touch screens, voice commands and other in-vehicle technologies pose a threat to our safety. The consequences of those distractions are not worth the convenience they offer. Ignore the distractions and #just drive to keep us all safer on the roads.

During Distracted Driving Awareness Month, let's all do our part in a united effort to recognize the dangers of and eliminate preventable deaths from distracted driving. Will you do your part? Tell your co-workers and family members to put these distractions aside when driving. This practice and active reminders can help save lives.

Turning off your cell phone or putting your cell phone in the trunk can save a life.

President's Message

Spring Forward! Daylight savings allows us an extra hour to achieve our new year fitness goals, right? Let us all take the time to plan for a rewarding and expectant Spring. Here are a few recommendations to get us started:

- Breathe! Make a list of items that need your immediate attention or can wait for now
- Change the batteries in the smoke alarms and Carbon Monoxide monitors at work and home
- Review your calendar and find spaces to fill in a weekend getaway or a weeklong vacation
- Send a couple of appreciation emails to anyone who went out of their way to help you achieve your Q1 goals.
- Cleaning out the medicine cabinet - monitor expiration dates
- Replenish supplies or purchase a first aid kit for home use
- Clean out closets and garage to make an annual donation to a location

Appreciations to our February lunch speaker, Dan Leiner - Cal OSHA Consultation for keeping us informed with an OSHA update.

If you have any articles to share in our newsletter and organization, please send them to: petergin@earthlink.net

Jennifer Press
Co-President

Blood Is Thicker than Water

If you have workers who are exposed to blood or other bodily fluids either regularly or in emergency first-aid situations, they need to be trained on how to stay safe in these situations.

Hepatitis C is the most common bloodborne infection. There are several hepatitis viruses, but the hepatitis C virus is one of the most common found in humans and has also been shown to be easily transmitted from one person to another. Millions of Americans have been infected with hepatitis C. While hepatitis C continues to be a common chronic bloodborne infection in the United States, in recent years there has been a considerable decline in new cases.

It can be years before symptoms are recognized. People who are infected with hepatitis C may not even be aware of it because they may not feel or show signs of illness. In fact, as many as 80 percent of victims have no symptoms. It can sometimes take decades before symptoms appear.

Hepatitis C can cause chronic liver disease and death. Liver disease occurs in approximately 70 percent of infected people and claims thousands of lives each year.

Symptoms are similar to hepatitis B. Symptoms, when they do appear, are similar to hepatitis B—fatigue, loss of appetite, nausea and vomiting, abdominal pain, and jaundice.

There is no vaccine. Although there are some drugs for treating hepatitis C that are quite effective, there is no vaccine as there is for hepatitis B.

Despite the dangers of BBPs, every year when OSHA announces the standards that have the most frequent violations, the BBP standard is right up there on its list. Employers that fail to follow through with annual BBP training may find themselves subject to heavy fines.

BBP training must be given to all employees with a reasonably anticipated risk of occupational exposure to blood. Here is a non-exhaustive list of job classifications or tasks that qualify as occupational exposure to blood or other potentially infectious materials and are therefore covered under the BBP standard:

- **Employees trained and designated to render first aid**, including employees who administer first aid as a collateral duty to their routine work assignments
- **Employees whose job includes cleaning or decontaminating areas or surfaces contaminated with blood**
- **Employees trained to provide medical, healthcare, and medical research services**, including doctors, dentists, nurses, dental and other healthcare aides, laboratory technicians, and phlebotomists
- **Housekeepers and janitors at healthcare facilities**

Note that an employee who is not designated or trained as a first-aid or healthcare provider and who voluntarily performs a "Good Samaritan act" at work is not covered under the standard because such an act is not considered a reasonably anticipated occupational exposure.

OSHA requires that training must be provided at the time of initial assignment to tasks where occupational exposure may take place and at least annually thereafter. Training requirements apply to full-time employees and also to part-time and temporary employees.

Are You Ready for a Workplace Fire?

Because of advance planning and a quick response, the fire was controlled, and there was no damage to the reactor. Are you that well prepared for a fire at your facility?

Life, Property, Community

When fire strikes, you need to have measures in place to protect three things:

Life. The lives of workers inside the building are the most immediate concern when fire breaks out. Make sure they are protected by:

- Installing *smoke alarms* in all areas of the facility
- Placing and marking *fire extinguishers* at appropriate intervals, and training workers to use them
- Establishing an *emergency evacuation plan* and practicing it regularly

Property. The next concern is for property, not only for the economic losses it represents but also for the potential impact outside the property itself. Protect your property by:

- *Installing sprinklers.* Sprinklers save lives and minimize property damage caused both by fire and fire suppressants.
- *Careful housekeeping.* Poor housekeeping—especially the accumulation of flammable garbage—can cause fires and make them worse once they have started.

If you are located in an area at risk of wildfires, make sure to clean up outdoor areas, too.

- Coordinating with your *fire department*. Does your alarm system automatically notify the fire department? Have you invited them to your facility for a tour so that they can quickly reach different areas and protect potential trouble spots?

Community. Many fires affect areas outside the building or facility where they start. Fires can coat a town in toxic smoke, release hazardous chemicals into waterways, and spread to nearby structures. Protect your community by:

- *Diking hazardous materials enclosures and storage areas* so that if liquid hazardous chemicals are released, they are contained.
- Having a *response plan* in place to notify your neighbors if a disaster in your facility might affect them and to facilitate ongoing communication during cleanup.

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