



# THE SAFETY EXPRESS

Central Florida ASSP Quarterly Newsletter

2nd Quarter 2019

## UNDER NEW MANAGEMENT

Effective July 1, 2019



### President

Emily Schoonover

Assoc. Safety  
Professional  
Disney

3 Years

Personally  
impacted by a  
significant  
workplace injury.

Growth and  
develop  
professionally and  
personally.



### Vice President

Josh Densberger

Corporate Safety  
Manager - MSE  
Group

17 Years

Passionate about  
achieving  
workplace  
excellence,  
including safety.

Enjoys  
collaboration with  
peers to share and  
implement best  
practices.



### Treasurer

Todd McDowell

President  
AOTC

15 Years

Enjoys engaging  
others across  
various companies  
and industries to  
work safely.

Networking with  
peers and  
continuing  
education  
opportunities.



### Secretary

John Lucarelli

Operations  
Manager - AOTC

30 Years

A lot of overlap  
between  
environmental and  
safety.

Always happy to  
serve and takes  
satisfaction in  
helping the chapter  
be successful.



### Delegate

Susan Tobin

President - Task  
Environmental

40 Years

Exposed to safety  
early on during  
RCRA and  
Superfund sites.

Access to a  
diverse group of  
safety profession-  
als and keeping up  
on current trends.



### Delegate

Heather Earl

Manager, Safety  
Disney

24 Years

Passionate about  
helping people live  
their best, most  
productive, and  
happy lives.

Camaraderie and  
networking with  
like minds while  
being able to hone  
leadership and  
technical skills.



As quickly as the '18/'19 ASSP year started, the Chapter was in need of a President due to unexpected job related conflicts. Thank you Susan Tobin for stepping in/up and leading the Chapter this past year.

**"To give anything less than your best, is to sacrifice the gift." ~Steve Prefontaine**

# SAFETY=2019

Did you know that Safety 2020 will be in Orlando? We did, and that's why Emily (middle) and Josh (left) were hard at work in their new roles, see page 1, at Safety 2019 in New Orleans.

This photo was taken at the annual Chapter Recognition Luncheon where we received the Platinum Level Chapter Recognition Award (held by Emily) and the WISE Chapter Distinction - Gold Award (not pictured).

Also pictured is Andrea Ball, Region IV Regional Vice President and Central Florida member. Andrea was also presented with the President's Award from ASSP President, Rixio Medina, at the House of Delegates meeting.

In the little time that our Chapter was not being recognized for being awesome, Emily and Josh were busy promoting and recruiting for Safety 2020. Planning for next years PDC will begin soon, so please let us know if you can provide any assistance.



JUNE 9-12, 2019  
NEW ORLEANS, LA



**"For safety is not a gadget, but a state of mind" ~Eleanor Everet**

The Board is excited to provide our 350+ members an array of safety discussions and presentations for the upcoming ASSP year (July - June).

#### Annual Board Planning Meeting

The annual Chapter planning meeting will take place in July as the newly elected officers and board members map out the upcoming year.

Interested in helping out? Whether planning a meeting, providing behind the scenes resources or assisting with Safety 2020, every little bit helps. Contact Emily at [emily.p.schoonover@disney.com](mailto:emily.p.schoonover@disney.com) to get involved.

#### Chapter Meetings

Regular chapter meetings will resume in August. As of now, the meetings will continue to be held on the first Monday of the month (except holidays) through November.

Keep updated regarding the meeting topics as they become available on the Chapter's website after the July planning meeting.

As mentioned to the right, the meeting location has temporarily changed. Please let us know if you or your business has the potential to offer a more permanent solution for our regular gatherings.



## Upcoming Events

- July 17 - Annual Board Planning Meeting

#### Chapter Meetings

- August 5
- September 9
- October 7
- November 4

The chapter meetings above will be held at Dubsdread Golf Course - 549 W. Par Street, 32804. To find out more info or sign up, visit:

<https://centralfl.assp.org/event/>



Kudos to Heather Earl for pushing our Chapter to be more than just Safety! Heather worked behind the scenes recently and allowed us to give back to the community.

#### Fight for Air Climb - March 23, 2019

Central Florida ChapterWISE Members and their families raised more than \$2,400 for the American Lung Association and then raced up 25 flights (512 steps) to the top of the Bank of America Building.

#### Habitat for Humanity - April 19, 2019

ASSP volunteers laid 8 pallets of sod, interior demolition, and finishing work. A large storm brewing did not deter this team from giving their all to Habitat to help families build strength, stability, and self-reliance through shelter.



*"The smallest act of kindness is worth more than the grandest intention." ~Oscar Wilde*

## Don't Drive While Intoxicated

As safety professionals, hopefully aware of the consequences of distracted driving. Those consequences, at least in Florida, are about to become more severe.

Texting will become a primary offense beginning July 1, 2019, meaning that you can be pulled over if a law enforcement officer observes you texting on your phone while the vehicle is in motion. Enhanced penalties are in place for school or work zones.

The National Safety Council has emphasized distracted driving and offers many resources to educate and promote safe driving. A cell phone policy kit can be found here: <https://safety.nsc.org/cellphonekit>.



## Firefighter Cancer Bill

Running into a building is inherently dangerous for many reasons. Some of those hazards aren't visible and take years of exposure to develop.

Governor DeSanis signed the Firefighter Cancer Bill that guarantees health benefits to firefighters diagnosed with certain types of cancer, including a one-time lump sum payout of \$25,000.

The International Association of Fire Fighters reports that cancer is responsible for 61% of line-of-duty deaths. NIOSH has found firefighters to have a 9% higher risk of diagnosis and are 14% more likely to die from cancer.



# MEMORY LN

## March

The Alliance for Central Florida Safety held their annual Safety Day on March 27 to allow networking with fellow safety professionals, education sessions, and access to the latest and greatest safety products from vendors. A save the date has already been posted for March 25, 2020.

ASSP members John Lucarelli, left, is the ACFS treasurer and the ASSP/ACFS liaison while Lee Claycomb, right, volunteers behind the scenes to help assist with topics/speakers, as well as handles the event photos and videos.



## April

Chapter members from the Walt Disney World Safety Services Team hosted Embry Riddle Aeronautical University (ERAU) Student Section members for an opportunity to participate in Disney Horticulture and Distribution Services operations technical tour.

## May

Mike McCleary of the Florida Municipal Power Association facilitated the May meeting when he discussed the topic of "Deadline or Dead: Efficiency WITH Safety." His theme throughout was that it's not "safety first," but rather "safely always."



## June

The Central Florida and Space Coast chapter's had a chance to network with each other on a tech tour of the exploration tower at Cape Canaveral.

## Treasury Report

At the close of each fiscal year the chapter treasurer completes and submits the annual financial report and financial checklist. Prior to this submission, an independent third party audit is performed on the chapter financial records. This audit includes the review of the financial statements and supporting documents, the treasurer's reports, the working financial spreadsheet, and selected bank statements.

The Chapter's financial records are in good order and are ready to submit.



In between jobs or looking for something different?

Have a job to post?

Email Mike Bloom at [mbloom@ocalafl.org](mailto:mbloom@ocalafl.org) to have your item uploaded to the Chapter's website.



Resume and Job Postings can be found on the Chapter's Website - <https://centralfl.assp.org/>