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## PRESIDENTS/CHAPTER MESSAGE



AMERICAN SOCIETY OF  
SAFETY PROFESSIONALS  
Rocky Mountain Chapter

# CONGRATULATIONS, 2024/2025 ELECTED OFFICERS!



**VICE PRESIDENT**  
Nathan Zdunich



**TREASURER**  
Dave Tolbert, CSP



**SECRETARY**  
Tyranny Bergin, OHST

Greetings, Rocky Mountain Chapter!

I am pleased to Congratulate our re-elected Officers – Tyranny Bergin/Secretary, and Dave Tolbert/Treasurer – and add a resounding Rocky Mountain Chapter WELCOME to Nathan Zdunich/Vice President-President Elect!

Tyranny Bergin and I had the opportunity last month to represent our Chapter at the Region 2 Spring ROC (Regional Operating Committee.) Geri Golonka and Pam Walaski from Society shared important findings from the ASSP Corporate Listening Tour.

The findings are key to our understanding of the role Safety Professionals can play in responding to trends identified by business leaders as most crucial to their future success in the marketplace. Please see the *Key Challenges Facing Today's Safety Leaders* Presentation on our [Website](#) for a copy of the full report.

May and June will find us starting to plan our 2024-2025 calendar of events! Please reach out to me directly if you have an interest in volunteer opportunities – from larger commitments such as a Chair position, to small-and-mighty 'micro-volunteer' opportunities!

We hope you will share how YOU would like to participate next year and we welcome your ideas about how to foster continuous improvement in your Member Experience.

Be Safe and See You Soon!

Dona Leonard OT MS CEASII / President



## CHAPTER EVENTS

**JUNE 13, 2024**

**11:00 AM – 1:00 PM**

### **High Country Beverage**

*4200 Ronald Reagan Blvd, Johnstown, Colorado,  
80534, United States*



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# **JUNE MEMBER MEETING**

*In-Person & Virtual*

## **TOPIC**

### **Fall Protection & ANSI Standard Updates: How the New Standard Changes Requirements for Self-Retracting Lanyards (SRLs)**

*Join us and Matt Schmidt from Shur-Sales for a discussion on the ANSI standard update followed by an outdoor fall protection demonstration.*



**Exhibit:** Shur-Sales Fall Protection Demonstration Truck

**Meeting Format:** Picnic and Exhibit (in Person), Presentation (Hybrid)

Registration and More Info: click [here](#)

## SAFETY MATTERS



### Safety 2024: Local Chapter Support

#### Seeking Chapter Volunteers!

Join your Rocky Mountain Chapter (RMC) and other Colorado chapter members alike to help with hosting the annual ASSP 2024 Conference + Expo in Denver.

Society has put together a SignUp Genius page with over 60 'slots' for volunteers. Sign up for one or more of the time slots and roles that work for you for the following opportunities:

**Day 1 Opening Way-finder:** direct attendees from the opening general session to their first concurrent session to kick off their conference.

**Chapter Booth in the Expo Hall:** Help attendees learn about the benefits and how-to's of getting connected to their local chapter. Note: sign up times are for expo only hours, but you are welcome to extend your time there while the expo is open.

**Mile-High Mixer Way-finder:** Help attendees find their way to the party!

**Mile-High Mixer Greeter:** Create a welcoming vibe by saying hello to attendees and helping connect them to each other.

All volunteers will receive an ASSP Leader T-shirt to wear during their shift(s).

**Signup and More Info:** click [here](#)

Thanks for your support in helping attendees at Safety 2024 have a great experience!



## 2024 Safety Professional of the Year (SPY) Nominations

Nominations are now open for the ASSP Rocky Mountain Chapter!

The Chapter Safety Professional of the Year (SPY) Award is a long-established annual award, intended to recognize a deserving Rocky Mountain Chapter member for outstanding leadership and service in the Safety Profession. You can nominate a member, yourself or have a friend nominate you for this prestigious award.

Nominations are open through June 14, 2024. Please email your submissions to: [g.petri@saundersheath.com](mailto:g.petri@saundersheath.com).

**The SPY Nomination Form:** click [here](#) (can be found under Chapter Documents)

## Community Outreach

### 100 Squares FUNdraiser Winner!

Please help your chapter congratulate Ronald Cole who won the Ebike drawing on May 9 with his lucky number 19.

Thank you all for participating and donating to our charity outreach!



## ASSP Safety 2024

The Annual Safety Conference + Expo is Coming to Denver!

August 4-6, Pre-Conference Courses  
August 7-9, Conference + Expo

**Flagship Video** (2 minutes): click [here](#)

**Registration and More Info:** click [here](#)



Register Now! August 7-9

**Safety 2024  
Denver**

## Safe + Sound Week

Save the Date

Mark your calendars! Safe + Sound Week is August 12-18, 2024. Join businesses across the nation in recognizing and recommitting to safety and health in the workplace.

Take a Challenge

**Take a Challenge**

Challenge your colleagues, suppliers, and partner organizations to be #SafeAndSoundAtWork.

**For More Info:** click [here](#)

**SAVE THE DATE**

**SAFE +  
SOUND  
WEEK 2024**

**AUGUST 12-18, 2024**



#SafeAndSoundAtWork

Pledge to improve your workplace safety and health program.

Registration opens July 2024!

[osha.gov/safeandsoundweek](https://osha.gov/safeandsoundweek)

## VPPPA Safety+ Symposium 2024

For the first time in OSHA Region VIII Mountain West VPP history, we will be hosting the VPPPA National Safety + Conference and Symposium.

Sunday, August 25, 2024 - Wednesday, August 28, 2024

Gaylord Rockies Resort & Convention Center, Aurora, CO 80019

**For More Info:** click [here](#)



## 2024 Trench Safety Stand Down

What is a Safety Stand Down?

A Safety Stand Down presents the opportunity for employers to talk directly to employees and others about safety. These Stand Downs will focus on trench & excavation hazards and reinforce the importance

June 17-23, 2024

**For More Info:** click [here](#)



## 2025 Region II PDC - Registration Open

Registration is Now Open for the 2025 ASSP Region II PDC on March 4-5, 2025, at The Palace Station Hotel & Casino located at 2411 West Sahara Avenue, Las Vegas, Nevada.

The 2025 PDC is currently looking for speakers.

Register Early and Save

**For More Info:** click [here](#)





# MOUNTAIN WEST OSHA COURSES

Front Range Community College  
Westminster



**Register here.**

## June 2024

- **OSHA 7215:** Silica in Construction and General Industries  
*June 17, 2024*
- **OSHA 500:** Trainer Course in Occupational Safety and Health Standards for the Construction Industry  
*June 24-27, 2024*
- **OSHA 7115:** Lockout/Tagout  
*June 28, 2024*

## July 2024

- **OSHA 3015:** Excavation, Trenching, and Soil Mechanics  
*July 1-3, 2024*
- **OSHA 7410:** Managing Excavation and Trenching Operations  
*July 8, 2024*
- **OSHA 511:** Occupational Safety and Health Standards for General Industry  
*July 16-19, 2024*
- **OSHA 2225:** Respiratory Protection  
*July 22-25, 2024*

## ADDITIONAL CLASSES BEING OFFERED IN 2024

- **OSHA 501:** Trainer Course in Occupational Safety and Health Standards for General Industry
- **OSHA 502:** Update for Construction Industry Outreach Trainers
- **OSHA 503:** Update for General Industry Outreach Trainers
- **OSHA 510:** Occupational Safety and Health Standards for the Construction Industry
- **OSHA 521:** OSHA Guide to Industrial Hygiene
- **OSHA 2055:** Cranes in Construction
- **OSHA 2264:** Permit-Required Confined Space Entry
- **OSHA 3095:** Electrical Standards
- **OSHA 3115:** Fall Protection
- **OSHA 6005:** Collateral Duty Course for Other Federal Agencies
- **OSHA 7100:** Introduction to Machinery and Machine Safeguarding
- **OSHA 7205:** Health Hazard Awareness
- **OSHA 7300:** Understanding OSHA's Permit-Required Confined Space Standard
- **OSHA 7505:** Introduction to Incident [Accident] Investigation

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## SOCIAL MEDIA



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<https://rockymountain.assp.org/>

**Welcome!**

To find out about current activities and how you can get involved, please use the [Contact Us page](#) to email the chapter leadership team.



Click [here](#) to  
add RMC on LinkedIn.



Click [here](#) to  
add RMC on Facebook.

## GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS

### EPA Per- and Polyfluoroalkyl Substances (PFAS)

EPA Takes Action to Protect People from PFAS that Leach from Plastic Containers into Pesticides and Other Products.

On April 19, 2024, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) took another step in its efforts to protect people from the health risks posed by exposure to “forever chemicals” in communities across the country. Exposure to per-and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS) has been linked to cancers, impacts to the liver and heart, and immune and developmental damage to infants and children.

**For More Info:** click [here](#)



## **OSHA Restructuring**

On May 8, 2024, the Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) announced strategic changes to the structure of its regional operations designed to direct its resources effectively and make the agency more resilient.

The changes include the creation of a new OSHA regional office in Birmingham, Alabama and will merge Regions 9 and 10 into a new San Francisco, California.

**For More Info:** click [here](#)

## **Regional Enforcement**

Finger Amputation – ALJ upholds citations after Ranch Foods failed to guard a meat grinder and failed to report a work-related in-patient hospitalization following a finger amputation.

**For More Info:** click [here](#)

Fatal Trench Collapse – Owner of Vail construction company gets sentenced to jail following a guilty plea of felony manslaughter after failing to protect employees in 2021 fatal trench collapse

**For More Info:** click [here](#)



## MEMBERSHIP

### Rocky Mountain Chapter Membership

No Membership Updates this Month



#### Member Accomplishments

##### We love to celebrate our Members!

Have you, your company, or someone you know been recently recognized (award, publication, certification, or degree)?

[Let us know](#) so we can spotlight you or your company in an upcoming newsletter!

#### Get a New Member!

For every member you recruit to our "Rocky Mountain Chapter" you receive a \$10 gift card, so [let us know](#).

Get two (2) or more members for bigger rewards. **More info:** click [here](#)

#### MEMBER *get a* MEMBER



## CAREER OPPORTUNITIES



#### Job Openings

[Commercial Lines Account Executive](#)

**Working together for a safer, stronger future**



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