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## PRESIDENTS/CHAPTER MESSAGE

Happy New Year, Rocky Mountain Chapter!

I hope that you were able to make time to reflect on and celebrate the past year.

Our Leadership Team is moving ahead with great plans to wrap up this 2024-2025 Chapter Year - continuing our Member Meetings on the second Thursday of each month. And stay tuned as we announce a fantastic Technical Tour planned for June!

Many thanks to Region 2 leadership for supporting this month's Super Meeting with Natalie Rolle, OT and Sleep Health Expert. Hopefully everyone who attended found key take-aways not only to support their clients and organizations, but to kick-off the New Year with a clear plan for better sleep!

As always, I encourage everyone to join-in our Leadership Team meetings held virtually on the third Friday of each month from 3pm-4:15pm. It's a great way to learn more about what we do behind the scenes, and also a great way to get in front of us if you have ideas that you would like to share about how we can better support our membership.

Please email me if you'd like to chat more, or to connect with other leaders.



Stay Safe and Well,

Dona Leonard OT MS CEASII / President

[president@rockymountain.assp.org](mailto:president@rockymountain.assp.org)



## Who are We? – ASSP Rocky Mountain Chapter (RMC)

The Chapter obtained its Charter in July 2012 and connects over 380 members in Colorado, Wyoming and Utah.

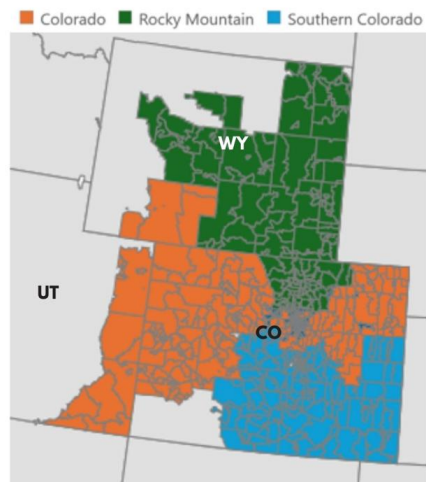
The RMC is dedicated to promoting the environmental, health and safety profession through increased public awareness and providing opportunities for networking and professional growth.

We are a [Platinum Chapter](#) which meets rigorous standards of excellence and are strong role models for other chapters.

We are a chapter with an [OSHA Alliance](#), an accomplishment that recognizes the value of a collaborative relationship to improve American workplaces.

We are a chapter with a [Student Section](#) who collaborates with [Colorado State University](#).

We are a chapter with valued [Sponsors](#) and many [volunteers](#) who give their time, talent and resources to make membership great. Let us know if would you like to [get involved](#) this year!



Connecting Safety Professionals Across 3 States



Christopher Clasen, MS CSP  
Communications Chair

# CHAPTER EVENTS



AMERICAN SOCIETY OF  
SAFETY PROFESSIONALS

Rocky Mountain Chapter

FEBRUARY – APRIL 2025

## CHAPTER EVENTS CALENDAR

13  
FEB

### FEBRUARY MEMBER MEETING

– Understanding NFPA 70E

21  
FEB

### FEBRUARY LEADERSHIP MEETING

– Virtual – All Members Welcome!



13  
MARCH

### MARCH MEMBER MEETING

– Implementing NFPA 70E

21  
MARCH

### MARCH LEADERSHIP MEETING

– Virtual – All Members Welcome!



10  
APRIL

### APRIL MEMBER MEETING

– Building a Safer Workplace w.  
Connected Safety Solutions

18  
APRIL

### APRIL LEADERSHIP MEETING

– Virtual – All Members Welcome!



This schedule is updated on a monthly basis.

Stay up-to-date with our events by visiting the  
Rocky Mountain Chapter website!

## **February 13th<sup>th</sup> – Member Meeting**

Speaker: Andrew Troccoli, Anfeald LLC

Topic: Understanding NFPA 70E®, Standard for Electrical Safety in the Workplace®

Meeting Format: Hybrid

Time: 11:30 am – 1:00 pm

Location: "High Country Beverage"

Address: 4200 Ronald Reagan Blvd, Johnstown, CO,  
80534



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

## **March 13th<sup>th</sup> – Member Meeting**

Speaker: Andrew Troccoli, Anfeald LLC

Topic: Implementing NFPA 70E®, Standard for Electrical Safety in the Workplace®

Meeting Format: Hybrid

Time: 11:30 am – 1:00 pm

Location: "High Country Beverage"

Address: 4200 Ronald Reagan Blvd, Johnstown, CO,  
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# SAFETY MATTERS

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT CONFERENCE

# 2025

## REGION II



## ASSP PDC

MARCH 4-5, 2025

THE PALACE STATION HOTEL & CASINO  
LAS VEGAS, NV



Pam Walaski, CSP, FASSP   Tim Page-Bottorff, CSP, CIT   Trish Ennis, CSP, ARM, CIT, CRIS

- \* Two-Day Event with 3 Keynote Speakers
- \* 21 Breakout Sessions with 3 Concurrent Tracks
- \* Exhibition of Over 30 Sponsors & Exhibitors

**DISCUSSIONS  
AND INSIGHTS**



SAFETY & HEALTH



INDUSTRIAL HYGIENE  
& ENVIRONMENTAL  
ISSUES



4TH & 5TH  
**MARCH**



**INFO & REGISTRATION**



[WWW.REGIONTWOPDC.COM](http://WWW.REGIONTWOPDC.COM)

For More Info: click [here](http://WWW.REGIONTWOPDC.COM)

# CALL FOR OFFICER NOMINATION

2025 - 2026



It is time to nominate potential officer candidates for our next Chapter year, which begins on July 1st, 2025.

Please nominate yourself or a colleague until February 28th for one of the following positions: Vice President, Secretary or Treasurer.

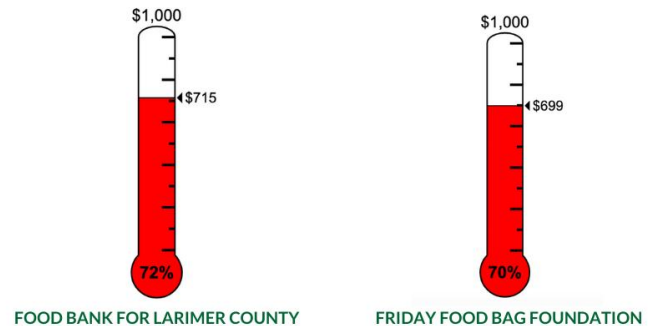
**For More Info:** email the Nominations & Elections Chair

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## Community Outreach



## THANKS TO EVERYONE'S SUPPORT IN 2024, WE'VE RAISED:



Your generosity is making a real difference!

We're over halfway to our goal for this Chapter year, and we couldn't be more grateful for your support.

Let's continue this great momentum as we work toward our goal into the summer!

## Construction Industry – Focus Four Training

The Construction Focus Four Training from OSHA consists of lesson plans on each of the Focus Four Hazards. Each lesson plan was developed based on specific learning objectives. Trainers can use these learning objectives when planning the training, and follow the participatory training model when conducting the training.

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



## Mountain West Training Catalogue

As one of 26 official OSHA Training Institute Educations Centers, the Mountain West Training Catalogue of courses is available online.

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





## 50 Years of OSHA Whistleblower Protection

- Explore [50 years of protecting whistleblowers from retaliation](#).
- If you had actions taken against you for speaking up, [file a complaint](#).

**Their Side of the Story:  
A Whistleblower**

## Voluntary Protection Program (VPP) – Application Process

On July 2, 1982, OSHA launched the Voluntary Protection Program (VPP), to recognize employers and workers in the private industry and federal agencies who have implemented effective safety and health management systems for the safest worksites in America.

To participate, employers must submit an [application](#) to OSHA and undergo a rigorous onsite evaluation by a team of safety and health professionals. To learn about the .

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



## SOCIAL MEDIA & SPONSORSHIP



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Rocky Mountain Chapter



**Welcome!**

To learn more about what we are doing, please visit our Website, Join Us on Social Media, or [Contact Us](#) to see how you can get involved.







[Join Us](#) on LinkedIn.



[Join Us](#) on Facebook

### Interested in becoming a sponsor?

The RMC is always looking for reputable organizations to sponsor meetings. There are four sponsorship levels with corresponding benefits. **For More Info:** [click here](#)

 <b>BRONZE LEVEL</b>	<b>- \$400</b>	One Member Meeting (catering) <u>or</u> One Table at the Member Appreciation Event (portion of catering - 5 Tables available for sponsorship) - Brand placement at Event, Introduction at Event, and One-Month Sponsor Thank-You with Logo on our Sponsorship Page - same Month as event sponsored.
 <b>SILVER SPONSOR</b>	<b>- \$800</b>	OSHA 10-hour Certification for students (General Industry or Construction) and Two-Month Sponsor Thank-You with Logo on our Sponsorship Page.
 <b>GOLD LEVEL</b>	<b>- \$1,200</b>	Premium Placement at Member Appreciation Event and Three-Month Sponsor Thank-You with Logo on our Sponsorship Page
 <b>Platinum Level</b>	<b>- \$1,600</b>	<b>Sponsor of the Year-</b> Sponsor a Region 2 Super Meeting hosted by Rocky Mountain Chapter (Brand visibility throughout the Western US) and Twelve-Month Sponsor Thank-You with Logo on our Sponsorship Page

## GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS

### Non-Fatal Injuries – A 20 year Low

On December 19<sup>th</sup>, 2024, U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics' released its 2023 Census of Fatal Occupational Injuries and the U.S. Department of Labor's Assistant Secretary for Occupational Safety and Health released that the bureau reported a 20-year low in the rate of non-fatal worker injuries and illnesses in 2023, and we are further encouraged by the news that the number and rate of fatal worker injuries also dropped in 2023.

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



**U.S. BUREAU OF LABOR STATISTICS**



### Corporate Wide Ergonomic Program Settlement

On December 19<sup>th</sup>, 2024, the U.S. Department of Labor today announced that the Occupational Safety and Health Administration and Amazon have entered into a corporate-wide settlement to help better protect employees from hazardous working conditions leading to serious lower back and other musculoskeletal disorders at Amazon facilities. The settlement agreement resolves the department's multiple ergonomics cases against Amazon.com Services LLC, in the first major multi-site investigation brought by OSHA in over a decade.

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



### **PPE Must Properly Fit – Final Rule**

On December 11<sup>th</sup>, 2024, the U.S. Department of Labor announced that its Occupational Safety and Health Administration has finalized a revision to the personal protective equipment standard for construction. The final rule explicitly requires the equipment to properly fit any construction worker who needs it, improving protections from hazardous conditions.

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



### **Oil & Gas Sector Authorized Funding to Reduce Methane Pollution**

On December 23, 2024 the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and the U.S. Department of Energy announced approximately \$850 million for 43 projects, including seven projects in the EPA Region 8 states of Colorado and Wyoming, selected for negotiation that will help small oil and gas operators, Tribes, and other entities across the country to reduce, monitor, measure, and quantify methane emissions from the oil and gas sector as part of President Biden's Investing in America agenda.

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



## MEMBERSHIP

### Rocky Mountain Chapter Membership

***We are at 380 members and growing!***

#### Welcome New Members!

*Brittyn Choate, Westminster, CO  
Lexi Knight, Rock Springs, Wyoming  
Samantha Migalski, Denver, CO  
Rudy Bowling, Windsor, CO*

#### Membership Anniversaries

##### 5-years

*Levi Pitts, Cheyenne, WY*

##### 20-years

*Matthew Ogle, Denver, CO*



#### Member Spotlights

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

[Let us know](#) so we can spotlight someone in an upcoming newsletter!

#### Get a New Member!

For every member you recruit to our Chapter you receive an award; [Contact Us](#) to receive your gift.

For More info: click [here](#)

#### MEMBER get a MEMBER



## CAREER OPPORTUNITIES



#### Job Openings

[EHS Summer Internship](#)



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