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2008 Governor's Pacific Rim Safety and Health Conference updates

The 10th biennial Governor's Pacific Rim Safety and Health Conference will be held May 19-21, 2008 at the Hawaii Convention Center. The Hawaii Prince Hotel is the designated conference hotel that is located about a 5-10 minute walk from the Hawaii Convention Center.

Pac-Rim Program Information

The Governors Pacific-Rim Safety and Health Conference is the premier safety and health conference in Hawaii, attracting speakers and attendees from all over the pacific region. It is a nationally recognized conference that is world class in breadth and quality.

The planning committee has been working diligently to provide a wide variety of speakers. So far there are speakers from Alaska, Arkansas, Arizona, California, Hawaii, Illinois, Missouri, Oregon, Pennsylvania, Texas, and Washington State who expressed an interest in presenting at the conference.

In addition, the international speakers being considered are from Guam, Canada, and England.

The committee is also working on a new Industrial Hygiene speaker track and also targeting the Risk Insurance and Management industry.

The Excellence In Safety Awards Committee is also hard at work and reports that there are 22 companies that are participating in the program. The advocates have met with their assigned companies and are in the process of completing the evaluation forms to present to the committee.



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February 7, 2008 Luncheon

We were fortunate to have Melanie Javens from Complete Equity Markets, Inc. speak to us about insurance coverage for Safety Consultants. She represents the company that advertises on the inside of the last page of the Safety Journal and specializes in liability coverage.

They provide coverage for Safety Consultants Professional Liability, Safety Consultants Commercial General Liability, Limited Practice Safety Consultants Liability and In-House Safety Professionals Professional Liability which is underwritten by Lloyds of London.

The coverage cost in the neighborhood of \$2,500 for a full time consultant to about \$1,500 for a part-time consultant. See the advertisement in Safety Professional for additional information.

Castle & Cooke Homes Hawaii, Inc. earns Two Safety Awards from the National Association of Home Builders

Mililani, HI (Feb. 14, 2008) – Castle & Cooke Homes Hawaii, Inc. earned the distinction of being named a 2007 Safety Award For Excellence (SAFE) winner by the National Association of Home Builders (NAHB).

The company won in two categories: Greater than 100 but less than 1000 home starts per year, and Home Builder Safety Professional of the Year recognizing the work of Mary Silva, safety manager for Castle & Cooke Homes Hawaii, Inc. These honors, awarded by a panel of industry experts, recognized Castle & Cooke's leadership and commitment to improve construction safety in the home building industry.



Mary Silva

“We are extremely proud to earn these awards for the hard work and effort we put into construction and workplace safety,” said Castle & Cooke Hawaii President Harry Saunders. “We are fortunate to have the expertise and experience of Mary Silva in achieving this distinction. I am thrilled that her professionalism and commitment to safety is being honored by her peers.”

Silva has been with Castle & Cooke Homes Hawaii, Inc. since 2002 and is responsible for the implementation and enforcement of company occupational health and safety programs. She held similar positions with Verizon Hawaii, Fireman's Fund Insurance Company and BHP Hawaii. Silva, who earned a degree in chemical engineering and pre-medicine, graduated from the University of Oklahoma.

“I feel very honored. There are many members of NAHB who are outstanding professionals,” said Silva. “To be named their Safety Professional of the Year is overwhelming – I am so happy that they recognize the hard work we put into our safety program.”



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Silva is especially proud of the teamwork she sees on the construction side of her company. Both the site engineering and vertical construction teams work together to make safety a priority. Her philosophy of “catching people doing something good” also contributes to reducing accidents and injury at job sites. Site superintendents and trade-contractor partners embrace safety protocols because of the positive feedback and recognition.

The goal of the NAHB awards program is to recognize the achievements of home builders and trade contractors who have developed and implemented high quality construction safety programs as well as honor other individuals and organizations who have made successful efforts to advance safety in the home building industry.

Honorees were recognized at the NAHB Safety Award For Excellence Awards Banquet on February 13, 2008. The awards were presented during the 2008 International Builder's Show in Orlando, Florida. Honorees received an engraved award as well as coverage in NAHB's Nation's Building News Online.

Doug Pearson, Castle & Cooke Homes Hawaii, Inc. Vice President of Construction – Hawaii, attended the event on behalf of the company. He said it was a wonderful opportunity to interact and learn from other industry experts as well as a privilege to represent the company.

If any of your companies have received similar honors and would like to share it with the other ASSE Hawaii members, please submit the relevant information to the newsletter editor.

Membership Update

HAPPY YEAR OF THE RAT TO ALL –

The following are the new members of our Chapter....WELCOME ABOARD!!:

NOVEMBER 2007

Zaldeen (Leihua) Augustiro, First Insurance Company of Hawaii

Jerome Mester, Company not listed

Drew Nagai, First Insurance Company of Hawaii

Francine Wong, First Insurance Company of Hawaii

DECEMBER 2007

Tristan Aldeguer, Dick Pacific Construction

Fred Hollenbeck, Goodfellow Brothers, Inc.

JANUARY 2008

Michael Nahoopii, Pacific American Foundation

Jimmy Sawyer, Company not listed



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Congratulations to our new members! As is our usual tradition, these individuals will have a free lunch at the first Chapter Membership Meeting attended after becoming a Member. Also, thanks to the following Chapter Members who sponsored these new additions to our membership: Fred Nakamura, John Ramos, and Craig Shoji. Others are also encouraged to recruit at least one new member this year.

OTHER MEMBERSHIP STATS & INFO: Presently, we have an official tally of 167 members in our Chapter. Transfers-out for 2007: 9, Transfers-in: 6 for a net of +3. A transfer indicates an existing ASSE Member transferring from or to our Chapter. For your information, ASSE has an on-going member recruitment program where a “recruiter” can be included in a periodic drawing and be eligible for prizes. Check the ASSE Website for more details.

By the way, all Members should review their membership profile information online and provide updates to their phone numbers, e-mails, company names, and etc. No one else can or should do it for you. You can also call or e-mail National directly. To access the Website, all you need is your Membership Number which printed on your membership card and your last name.

FUTURE LUCHEON SPEAKERS

| Date | Speaker | Company | Subject |
|-----------------------|----------------|------------------|--|
| March 20, 2008 | Scott Williams | Lex Brodie | Safety is the key to how Lex Brodie arrived at great customer service, and he’ll tell his story about how that came to be. |
| April 17, 2008 | Jim Newberry | Island Insurance | Achieving optimal safety results by managing change with interpersonal skills |
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The meetings will be held at Hale Ikena in Fort Shafter from 11:00am to 1:00pm. The cost of attending including lunch is \$15.00.

If you have any suggestions for speakers, please call Danielle Plimpton, our VP & Program Chair @ 527.7497