# ASSE Western PA Chapter Events Calendar

Can also be viewed on the Chapter website by clicking here.

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<td>Date: TBD</td>
<td><strong>Development Quarterly Meeting</strong></td>
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<td>Time: TBD</td>
<td><strong>Date:</strong> Thursday, September 22, 2016</td>
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<td>Location: TBD</td>
<td><strong>Time:</strong> Registration/Social 5:15-5:45pm, dinner served at 6:00 pm and the Presentation thereafter</td>
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<td><strong>Location:</strong> Doubletree Meadowlands, Washington PA</td>
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<td><strong>Dinner Cost:</strong> $30.00 per person</td>
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<td><strong>Topic:</strong> Pipeline Safety &amp; PHMSA</td>
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<td>Date: TBD</td>
<td>Slippery Rock University Smith Student Center</td>
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<td><a href="#">Brochure &amp; Registration</a></td>
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## Event Registration

You can register for the event(s) using one of two (2) ways:

1. Register through the ASSE WPA website and pay at the door; OR
2. Call the hotline at 412-281-1885, leave your name, the number of people attending and a phone number where we can call you back in case of questions.
### Future Program Ideas

It’s never too late to think about topics for future programs - please give it some thought and let us know what you’re interested in hearing about. Forward any ideas on speakers or topics to Andrew Longacre, President at alongacre@acraneusa.com or westernpaasse@gmail.com or any of our other Executive Board Volunteers listed at the end of the Newsletter.

### Calendar of Other Events

#### PSA 2017

**“International Topical Meeting on Probabilistic Safety Assessment and Analysis”**

*Save the Date!*

Sponsored by the American Nuclear Society  
September 24-28, 2017  
Pittsburgh, PA  
Website: [www.PSA2017.org](http://www.PSA2017.org)  
Review the brochure: [PSA2017 flyer](#)

#### 4th Annual Western PA ASSE Joint PDC – Save the Date!

Tuesday, November 1, 2016  
Slippery Rock University Smith Student Center

The Western PA ASSE Chapter, in conjunction with the student sections of the American Society of Safety Engineers (ASSE) at Indiana University of PA and Slippery Rock University are hosting a joint Professional Development Conference at the Smith Student Center at Slippery Rock University.  
**Register on the ASSE WPA website or by using the brochure.** [Brochure & Registration Form 2016](#)

### Chapter News

(This section will be to summarize the news relating to Chapter Events, Technical Meetings, PDC, & Members)

### Safety 2017 in Denver Co

ASSE will be having their annual Professional Development Conference, Safety 2017, on June 19-22, 2017 in Denver CO. Mark your calendars and plan to attend!

### Student Sections

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<td>[Advisor Tracey Cekada, D.Sc, CHSP, CSP, Assistant Professor, Safety Sciences Department, IUP]</td>
<td>[Advisor Angela Mattis Bernardo, Ph.D., CSP, Assistant Professor, Department of Health and Safety, SRU]</td>
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Students enrolled in Safety Sciences are the future of our profession. The Executive Committee and Chairs are continuing the effort to develop linkages and outreach with the two Student Sections at IUP and Slippery Rock. The current policy is to allow Student Section members from either school attend our monthly technical meetings for free. The chapter absorbs this cost in our operating budget. You can help the chapter by sponsoring a student or two and pay their meeting fee. If you or your company would be willing to do this, please get in touch with Pam Walaski, CSP, CHMM – P.Walaski@gaiconsultants.com or Jackie Kuntz, ASHM – jackie@rjrsafety.com.

Opportunities to Assist Students
As many of you know, our Professional Chapter sponsors two Student Sections at Indiana University and Slippery Rock University. For this Program Year, Jackie Kuntz and I have taken on the role of Student Section Liaisons and have been working with the faculty sponsors to identify how we can best work together. We have developed several goals for this year, one of which involves Professional members providing opportunities to assist students to prepare for graduation and professional work. This can be done through a variety of activities, including work-shadowing and internships; small group tours of member worksites; research projects; mock interviews; and resume practice.

We understand many of you perform these types of tasks as part of the organization you work for or because you are alumni of one of the schools. We are looking to expand this process and are looking for volunteers who are interested in engaging with a student(s) in some way. As safety professionals, we all understand the need to give back to our profession and to reach back and pull along the next generation who will continue the good work we do every day.

We know there are many demands on your time and we promise to make the commitment as minimal as possible and to work within your scheduling constraints. Please give this your best consideration and let Jackie or I know if you think you can help.

Thanks in advance!
Pam Walaski, CSP, CHMM – P.Walaski@gaiconsultants.com
Jackie Barkus, ASHM – safetyjackie@yahoo.com

Welcome to New Members!!!
(Information on new members should be sent to Carl Heinlein, Membership Chairperson.)

Welcome to the recent New Members!

ASSE has two membership programs:
Refer a Member Program
http://www.asse.org/membership/refer/

Member get a Member Program
http://www.asse.org/membership/mgam-intro/

A quick reminder of the ASSE Member Tools
- Nexsteps Career Center: http://www.nexsteps.org/
- Update Your Membership Information: http://www.asse.org/about/addresschange.php
**Social Media:** [http://www.asse.org/connect/](http://www.asse.org/connect/)

**New Membership:** [http://www.asse.org/membership/newmember.php](http://www.asse.org/membership/newmember.php)

### Benefits When You Join ASSE

- **Read the Best** – Our top ranked member benefit, Professional Safety: [http://www.asse.org/professional-safety/](http://www.asse.org/professional-safety/)
- **Enhance Your Skills** – Explore discounted educational opportunities: [http://www.asse.org/education/](http://www.asse.org/education/)
- **Connect with Peers** – Reach out to 37,000 fellow professionals with ASSE social sites: [http://www.asse.org/connect/](http://www.asse.org/connect/)
- **Access members only resources** - Such as free webinars: [https://learn.asse.org/free-to-members/](https://learn.asse.org/free-to-members/) &
- **Body of Knowledge**: [http://www.safetybok.org/](http://www.safetybok.org/)

### Career Opportunities

#### Local Chapter Website ([http://wpa-asse.com](http://wpa-asse.com))
If you’re looking for a change in scenery, please take the time to check out our chapter website under the ‘Jobs’ tab. If you have job openings you would like to post on the chapter website, please contact our website administrator Wayne Vanderhoof at wayne@rjrsafety.com.

#### ASSE Career Opportunity Website ([www.nexsteps.org](http://www.nexsteps.org))
Whether you are seeking a job in the safety profession, or an employer looking for that perfect candidate to fill your safety related positions, Nexsteps is the website for you! As you might expect, the opportunities for careers in safety are virtually limitless. With just a few clicks of the mouse, job seekers can easily post their resume on Nexsteps for employers to view, and receive automated notifications when jobs are available that match your interests. There is no cost to post your resume or search available positions. Employers can post listings for available positions, search resumes online and setup a resume agent to alert you when new resumes are posted that match your criteria. Job posting prices vary - details can be found at [www.nexsteps.org](http://www.nexsteps.org).
# 2016-2017 ASSE Western PA Chapter Executive Board

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Feel free to contact any member of the Executive Board with ideas, questions, comments and concerns.

**Single Email Address**

A single email address has been established to contact the Western PA ASSE chapter in which all Chapter-related business and meeting RSVPs will be accepted.

The new email address is: westernpaasse@gmail.com.

The Officers and Chairpersons may still be emailed at the addresses listed in the Newsletter and on the website.

**Editorial Note:** The monthly newsletter will be published electronically – posted on the chapter website – during the third week of each month. Therefore, all material to be placed in the newsletter for the month needs to be in the email mailbox of this editor at wayne@rirsafety.com by the 15th of each month, if not earlier.

Thank you,
Wayne Vanderhoof, CSP