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Utah Chapter

January 2022 Newsletter

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MESSAGE FROM THE BOARD

Happy New Year Everyone!

We accomplished so much in the past year. Our Utah Chapter moved from Gold to Platinum status. Several other highlights include:

- The annual Fall Conference, held online, was a great success with good speakers and a large turnout.
- The Coat Drive to benefit the homeless had numerous donations.
- The women's hygiene products donation drive, organized by our Women in Safety Excellence (WISE) group, went well.

We like serving the community and this would not have been possible without your support and generosity.

Looking forward for an exciting and collaborative year for 2022!

Suyanka Neupaney, Utah Chapter Board Member

MEMBERSHIP UPDATES

New Members

Please join us in welcoming the following new members to the Utah Chapter:

- Brandon J Hoehn
- David M Willard
- Matt Lechtenberg

UPCOMING EVENTS

January Chapter Meeting

Thursday, January 20 from 11:30 AM – 1:00 PM

Crane Safety Roundtable on 1/12

On January 12th at the Associated General Contractors office in SLC, there will be a crane roundtable. There will be some case studies of recent crane failures here in the Salt Lake valley and open time for Q&A. If you are a GC or specialty contractor that uses cranes this is a great opportunity to understand OSHA/ASME crane requirements and learn from crane failures on jobsites. Topics to be covered include crane setup and ground conditions, who is responsible for what, tilt up, and more. Cost is \$35 for members and \$45 for non-members. Click link below for more information and to register.

<https://www.agc-utah.org/events/details/agc-industry-safety-roundtable-crane-safety-01-12-22-14369>

WISE Networking Event

The Utah Chapter Women In Safety Excellence (WISE) group will be holding a coffee social/networking event on Saturday January 22, from 10:30-11:30. Details to be announce later.

Annual Silent Auction Scholarship fundraiser

February 17, from 6:00 PM – 8:00 PM

It is time once again for our Silent Auction Fundraising event. This year, the event will be held in a hybrid format. More details will be coming soon.

All Chapter members asked to donate at least one item and then bid on at least one item—even if you cannot attend.

Contact Doug Handy about donations.

<https://utah.assp.org/events/2021-silent-auction-scholarship-fundraiser/>

NEWS & ARTICLES

ASP/CSP Study Questions of the Month

Question 1

The liability insurance inspector in XYZ factory was nearing the main server room that controlled all operating equipment in the plant. He noticed that the manually operated EPO switch was blocked by a pallet of finished product. Why is this a problem?

- A. Environmental Protection Operations cannot function properly unless the switch is operated.
- B. Emergency Power shut off for the IT room cannot be done
- C. The switch is a production machine E-stop and is not associated with the server room.
- D. This is an emergency light and must be visible.

Question 2

Which style of communication best describes the phrase: “I feel frustrated when you leave a mess for the next shift to clean up.”

- A. Passive
- B. Assertive
- C. Passive - Aggressive
- D. Aggressive

Solutions to the questions are at the back of this newsletter.

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WISE Feminine Hygiene Products Drive

On December 6, the Utah Chapter Women In Safety Excellence (WISE) group donated boxes of hygiene products to Geraldine E. King Women Center. This was second successful year for the hygiene drive. We would like to thank our friends, colleagues, and WISE members for donating to this noble cause.

Coat Drive Results

The Utah Chapter's annual December coat drive to benefit the homeless at the Road Home shelter was a success. Several boxes of coats and other cold-weather apparel items were donated to the shelter this past December. Thank you to all those who donated.

Book Review

They Don't Teach Corporate in College by Alexandra Levit

If there is one book I wish I'd read as I started my professional safety career, this would be it.

The lessons discussed in "They Don't Teach Corporate in College" are not specific to careers in the safety profession. However, they are integral to the job or career of any safety professional; whether at a mom-and-pop organization or worldwide corporation.

Additionally, while the title might suggest otherwise, Alexandra Levit's book isn't just for college students or recent graduates. The target audience is certainly "twenty-something" professionals. Nevertheless, the topics in this book are also geared toward anyone aiming to be promoted, land a new job, or even change careers.

The first several chapters focus on getting the job you want and how to be successful in it. Here Alexandra discusses everything from resumes and interviews to transitioning and performing in a new organization.

Later in the book, the focus shifts to ongoing professional development and achieving promotions. There is also a chapter with guidance for someone who is being promoted to their first supervisory / manager position.

The final chapter, titled "Exit Stage Left", is a brief but thoughtful guide determining when it might be time to move on to a new job, organization, or career. The author provides plenty of helpful suggestions on how to successfully navigate your egress.

The organization of this book makes it a great read for anyone getting ready to enter the business world. It also provides enlightenment on how to remain positive in ever-changing work environments.

Review by Greg Rudowski, CSP

Career Opportunities

There are currently no job openings posted on the Utah ASSP website.

ASP-CSP Study Questions: Solutions

Solution for question 1:

Although there are some exceptions and exemptions, the NEC, National Electrical Code, NFPA 70, sets requirements for emergency shutdown of IT systems. An EPO (Emergency Power Off) switch should never be blocked from access.

The correct solution is B.

Solution for question 2:

Assertive communicators express their feelings, needs, and desires without being overbearing or blaming other people.

The correct solution is B.

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Ed Henkels, Newsletter Editor



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