



AMERICAN SOCIETY OF
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Greater Baton Rouge Chapter

January Newsletter

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The Greater Baton Rouge Chapter of the American Society of Safety Professionals Announces the 2025/2026 Executive Board Nominees

Pursuant to Chapter Bylaws, Section IV, the following members have been nominated for the Executive Board for the 2025/2026 Chapter Year, July 1-June 30.

President: Tyler Traweek, MBA, MS, CSP

Tyler Traweek serves as the HSE Director for Conco Services, LLC. Traweek holds a Bachelor of Science Degree in Kinesiology Health Promotion and Wellness from the University of Louisiana at Lafayette, a Master of Science in Occupational Safety and Health and a Master of Business of Administration from Columbia Southern University, and a Post Baccalaureate Certificate in Construction Management from Louisiana State University. Traweek is a Certified Safety Professional (CSP) through the Board of Certified Safety Professionals. Traweek also served in the Army National Guard for 6 years as a 15B Helicopter Powerplant Repairer. Currently, Traweek serves as the Chapter Vice President for the current Chapter year and previously held a role as Secretary.

Vice President: Erin McAlister, MBA, MS, GSP

Erin McAlister is a Risk Services Consultant for the State of Louisiana with Sedgwick in Denham Springs, LA. She serves as the 2024-2025 Treasurer for the Greater Baton Rouge Chapter of the American Society of Safety Professionals (ASSP) and previously held the role of Programs Chair. Erin holds a Bachelor of Science in Occupational Safety, Health, and Environment from Southeastern Louisiana University, a Master of Science in Occupational Safety and Health, and an MBA from Columbia Southern University, where she is also pursuing an MBA in Finance. She has earned the Graduate Safety Practitioner designation, the Advanced Safety Certificate from the National Safety Council, and is a Graduate Industrial Hygiene Specialist. While at Southeastern, she served as an officer for the ASSP student section, growing its membership and helping it nearly earn the National Student Section of the Year award.

Treasurer: Laremy Stilley, CSP

Laremy Stilley serves as the Environmental, Health, and Safety Director at Process Service Specialists, LLC. Stilley holds a Bachelor of Science in General Studies with a concentration in Leadership Development from Louisiana State University and will soon begin his pursuit of a Master's in Business Administration for Data Analytics at Louisiana State University Shreveport. Stilley is a Certified Safety Professional (CSP) through the Board of Certified Safety Professionals. Stilley serves as the Chapter Secretary for the current year. Stilley previously held the role of Community Outreach Chair with a focus on promoting the safety profession to students in our area at events such as the "Build Your Future" event hosted by ABC Pelican Chapter. Additionally, Stilley serves as a commissioner with a local youth athletic association encouraging healthy, active lifestyles in the community youth and safe athletic practices.

Secretary: Thomas Cagle, CSP, CSHM

Thomas Cagle serves as the Vice President of HSSE and Training at Associated Terminals/Turn Services. Cagle holds a Bachelor of Arts in Sociology from Louisiana State University. Cagle is a Certified Safety and Health Manager (CSHM) through the Institute of Hazardous Material Management and is a Certified Safety Professional through the Board of Certified Safety Professionals. Additionally, Cagle serves as a speaker for RiverWorks Discovery, educating children and their families about commerce, culture, conservation, and river safety.

Past-President: Emma Bataineh, CSP

Emma Bataineh serves as a Safety Specialist for Georgia Pacific. Bataineh holds a Bachelor of Science in Occupational Safety, Health, and Environment from Southeastern Louisiana University. Bataineh is a Certified Safety Professional (CSP) through the Board of Certified Safety Professionals. Bataineh serves as the Chapter President for the current Chapter year. Bataineh has also served as the GBR Chapter Vice President and Community Outreach Committee Chair for several years, leading Chapter activities to promote practical, hands-on safety learning to local high school students enrolled in craft training through the JumpStart Program.

Advisory Group Member: Justin Barksdale, CSP

Justin Barksdale serves as the Chief Steward and Principal Consultant for Barksdale Safety Solutions, LLC, and Barksdale Leadership Solutions. Barksdale holds a Bachelor of Science in Occupational Safety, Health, and Environment from Southeastern Louisiana University. He is a Certified Safety Professional (CSP) through the Board of Certified Safety Professionals and a certified Maxwell Leadership Coach, Trainer, and Speaker. Barksdale serves as the Youth Pastor of his local church.

Member-at-Large: Sarah Broussard

Sarah Broussard is a Business Development Manager for E3 Environmental. She has a Bachelor's of Science in Psychology from Judson College, where she was a dual college athlete. She is an enthusiastic sales professional with more than 10 years of experience in the HSE industry. As an account executive, she is truly passionate about meeting people, understanding their needs, and helping solve their current issues. Sarah is currently serving as the community outreach chair for the GBR ASSP chapter.

Nominations and Elections Committee: Chris McGlynn (chairman), Hunter Pinion, Karen Saurage, Teddy Young, and Thai Tran.

For questions, please contact Chris McGlynn at cmcglynn@rocorescue.com



Upcoming Events



September

Chapter Meeting - September 17
 Location - Sno's
 Time - 11am - 1pm
 Topic - The Insurance Ecosystem:
 Enhancing Workplace Safety
 Speaker - Placito Miceli CMIP



October

Chapter Meeting - October 15
 Location - RPCC
 Time - 7:30am - 10am
 Topic - DISCover Your Blind Spots:
 Grow Your Leadership *TOUR PET PLANT
 Speaker - Justin Barksdale, CSP



November

Chapter Meeting - November 19
 Location - ASC ETC
 Time - 11am - 1pm
 Topic - OSHA Update
 Speaker - Alex Novas, OSHA



December

Chapter Meeting - December
 Friday the 13th
 Location - Bin 77
 Time - 6pm - 9pm
 Christmas Social



January

Chapter Meeting - January 30
 Location - Sno's Seafood &
 Steakhouse
 Time - 6pm - 8pm
 Topic - TBD *Joint with AIHA*
 Speaker - Danny Forest



February

Chapter Meeting - February 18
 Location - LSU - Tiger Stadium
 Time - 11am - 1:30pm
 Topic - Ergonomics
 Speaker - Lori Frederic
 *Tour given after meeting.



March*

Chapter Meeting - March 11
 Location - Mike Anderson's
 Time - 5:00pm - 7:30pm
 Topic - TBD
 Speaker - Rightor Cobb COSS

April

Golf Tournament April 11th
 Time - 10am
 Location - The Island
 2025 - Region IV - ASSP - PDC
 Date - April 16th - 17th
 Location - Baton Rouge Hilton

May

Chapter Meeting - May 22
 Location - Parc 73
 Time - 6pm - 9pm
 Topic - Nomination, Awards,
 Honors, Financial Transparency





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*Joint Meeting with AIHA
January
Meeting



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Danny Forest

Director, Data Analytics,
Responsible Care

January 30, 2025

6PM-8PM

Sno's Seafood

Gonzales, LA



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5 PM Gnarly Barley Social

President Edward Dittman:

edward.dittman@selu.edu

Dr. Priyadarshini Dasgupta:

priyadarshini.dasgupta@selu.edu



When: Friday February 7th, 2025 @ 5 PM to 7 PM

Where: Gnarly Barley 1709 Corbin Rd, Hammond, LA 70403

Join us for an exciting social event with Southeastern's ASSP Student Section at the Gnarly Barley Brewery hosted by the ASSP Greater Baton Rouge Chapter! Connect with fellow students and local safety professionals in a relaxed and fun atmosphere. Mark your calendars and we'll see you there!

Snacks will be provided!

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Golf Tournament 2025



April 11th

10am

The Island



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It'll Be Here Before You Know It - Have you Registered?

2025 Region IV ASSP Professional Development Conference



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April 16-17, 2025
Hilton Capitol Center Downtown
Baton Rouge, Louisiana



Registration Options

Attendee Rate - \$349

(late registration is \$499, date
tbd)

Scan the QR code to register!



Member of the Month



Congratulations!

Teddy Young

Safety/Risk Manager - Delta Administrative Services



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Recognize excellence— nominate a colleague today!

The ASSP Greater Baton Rouge Chapter is seeking nominations for the 2023-2024 Safety Professional of the Year (SPY) Award. This award recognizes a member's dedication, leadership, and contributions to advancing safety and health.

Eligibility.

1. ASSP Member in good standing.
2. Engaged in the safety profession for at least three years.
3. Not a past recipient within the last five years.

Nominate here!



Complete the nomination form and provide required endorsements.

**Email materials to Alex Wright at
Alex.Wright@hoodcontainer.com.**

Deadline: Thursday, January 30, 2025.

Attention Students

Scholarship deadline is approaching!



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FOUNDATION

Scholarship Opportunity through ASSP Foundation

Program	Status	Deadline
2025 ASSP Foundation Academic Scholarship Program	Now Open	2/15/2025 11:59 PM

**Scan the QR
Code to Find
Out More Info!**





Winter Safety

1. Wrap your outdoor faucets and attic water pipes with shipping bubble wrap. Seal it with duct tape. Then, even if it rains or snows the layer of ice outside the bubble wrap acts as an additional layer of insulation.
2. Bring all your rechargeable tool batteries inside. They don't withstand freezing well. Once inside, let them warm up to room temperature before recharging. Then charge them all in case you need to use the tools (in my case, a chain saw) during or after the freeze.
3. Just to be on the safe side, fill a few gallon jugs with water. You probably won't need them, but even if you don't you can use them afterward to fill your water filter or to water your plants.
4. If you have a propane torch, locate it now. Even if your pipes don't freeze, your neighbors' might.
5. Fill the gas tank on your car/truck now. Gas may be hard to find if the power is down for an extended time. If you have some gas cans, fill those too.
6. If you have a BBQ pit, be sure it has fuel. Propane-powered cooking comes in handy during extended power outages.
7. If you have a portable generator, test it now to ensure that the motor runs.
8. If your generator is anywhere near your house, make sure you have a portable CO (Carbon Monoxide) detector with an alarm and keep it in your living areas.

Keep warm & safe!

- Glenn Young, CSP-Retired



In case you couldn't make it...





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