



## St. Louis Chapter Newsletter



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### [Professional Development Conference - March 6](#)

**Request!** If you are attending the PDC on March 6th, please take [this survey](#) from Tony Taylor. In addition to helping him better understand the audience, you'll be entered in to win some prizes!  
<https://form.jotform.com/230290978581061>



# Professional Development Conference



LIUNA Event Center

4532 S Lindbergh Blvd  
St. Louis, MO 63127

MONDAY

MARCH 6th, 2023  
7:30 am to 5 pm

# Tony Taylor

KEY NOTE SPEAKER

*Leadership*  
Authentic  
motivational

TO BE A  
SPONSOR, VENDOR  
OR ATTENDEE



[tonytaylorinspires.com](https://tonytaylorinspires.com)

Mark your calendar and sign up today to attend the 2023 Professional Development Conference!

**What: PDC 2023**

**When: Monday, March 6th, 2023, all day**

**Where: LIUNA Event Center, 4532 S. Lindbergh Blvd, St. Louis, MO 63127**

<https://stl.assp.org/events/2023-professional-development-conference/>

Find out more about **Keynote Speaker Tony Taylor** here:  
<https://www.tonytaylorinspires.com/>

**Registration is closed.**

 <b>PDC AGENDA</b> LIGNA Event Center March 6th, 2023 4532 S Lindbergh Blvd, St. Louis, MO 63127		 <b>PDC AGENDA</b> LIGNA Event Center Monday 4532 S Lindbergh Blvd, St. Louis, MO 63127 March 6th, 2023	
7:30 am to 8:15 am	<b>REGISTRATION</b>	<b>BREAKFAST BUFFET</b>	<b>NETWORKING</b>
8:15 am to 8:30 am	<b>Welcome! ~ ANNOUNCEMENTS ~</b>  Donn Cahill  Dennis Pivin		2:15 pm to 2:30 pm <b>BREAK W/VENDORS AND SPONSORS</b>
8:30 am to 9:30 am	<b>JOINT ROOM</b>  <b>Tony Taylor</b> <b>KEYNOTE SPEAKER!</b> Top Leadership Speaker and Self Development Coach <i>Authentic Motivational Leadership</i>		2:30 pm to 3:30 pm <b>ROOM A</b> <b>Sharpening the Human Tool</b> The Importance of employee wellness.  Sanda Szajnowicz-Gunn, MA Vice President of Operations Vista Counseling, LLC
9:30 am to 10:00 am	<b>BREAK W/VENDORS AND SPONSORS</b>		<b>ROOM B</b> <b>How to be an Effective Lobbyist</b> In this session we will discuss best practices for leadership, communications, influence, and government relations.  Mark Ames Government Relations, AIHA
10:00 am to 11 am	<b>ROOM A</b> <b>Hand Safety</b> Pinch Points Lacerations Injury Prevention  Steve Williams Director of Industrial Supply & Safety	<b>ROOM B</b> <b>LEAD</b> <b>Combining Changes in Regulations</b> Join us as John guides us through navigating the new (Pb) regulations coming in the near future.  John Malone, CSP, CIH AT&T	3:30 pm to 3:45 pm <b>BREAK W/VENDORS AND SPONSORS</b>
11 am to 11:15 am	<b>BREAK W/VENDORS &amp; SPONSORS</b>		3:45 pm to 4:45 pm <b>Regulatory Update – OSHA &amp; EPA</b>  William McDonald OSHA Area Director
11:15 am to 12:15 pm	<b>JOINT ROOM</b> <b>"Inclusive Safety Leadership"</b> Learning Objectives: 1. Gain a better understanding of their role and the fundamentals of Safety Leadership. 2. Apply Safety Leadership concepts unilaterally. 3. Gain a clearer understanding of expectations and effective leadership style for a cultural transition in OHS driving for Safety for a Core Value. 4. Be equipped with the tools to gain buy-in and motivate employees towards individual ownership for Safety.  Chris Hicks, CSP Consultant		<b>THANK YOU TO OUR SPONSORS!!!</b> <b>Platinum Sponsor</b>  <b>Silver Sponsor</b>  <b>Bronze Sponsors</b>   
12:15 pm to 1:15 pm	<b>BUFFET LUNCH – W/VENDORS &amp; SPONSORS</b>		<b>THANK YOU TO OUR VENDORS!</b>  
1:15 pm to 2:15 pm	<b>ROOM A</b> <b>"THE Most Dangerous thing your employees can do.... Drive A Vehicle"</b> * Work-related crash data - We'll look at the statistics that driving is the most dangerous thing employees do. * Basic principles of an incident / injury prevention program that actual works for based on statistics on crashes and facts. Compliance will not be discussed. This is only discussing "drives and beyond" activities that focus on people.  Mark Woodward Senior Safety & Risk Trainer MEM	<b>ROOM B</b> <b>Disruptive Technology and Cloud Based Instrumentation</b> This session will review some of the newest developments in technology that work to break traditional paradigms in EHS instrumentation, including: real-time silica monitoring, optical gas sensing technologies and connected worker analytics.  Tony Coca Owner, Archview Services	

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## Future Chapter Meeting

Monday, April 10, 2023 (attend the PDC in lieu of a March Chapter Meeting)

**Topic: Building a Safety Culture - Getting the "Buy-In"**  
**Speaker: Sharida Mitchell**

*Sharida is the Territory Account Manager for Mallory Safety & Supply*

**Where:** Syberg's, 2430 Old Dorsett Rd, Maryland Heights, MO 63043

**When:** Registration @11, Lunch @11:30, Presentation @12

**Register for Meeting:** <https://stl.asp.org/events/april-lunch-meeting/>

## Calendar of Events

Take a look at what's coming up! Mark your calendar now.

# ASSP ST. LOUIS CHAPTER EVENTS 2023

Sybergs on Dorsett (unless otherwise stated)  
Networking: 11:00-11:30 - Lunch: 11:30-12:00  
Announcements & Speaker: 12:00-1:00



**NO MEETING in January, 2023**  
Happy New Year! See you in February!



Membership Appreciation Night!  
Members are FREE - Please register in advance!  
**February 9th, 5:00 pm till 7:00 pm**  
Bristol Seafood Grill, 11801 Olive Blvd., Creve Coeur, MO 63141



Brad Thontlin  
Director of Training, Falltech  
**February 13th, 2023 - 11:00 am to 1 pm**  
Informational topic of the critical changes of Fall Protection ANSI Z359.14 - 2021 SRD Standard that takes effect on February 1st, 2023



**PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT CONFERENCE**  
**March 6, 2023 - 7:30 am to 5:00 pm**  
**Tony Taylor - KEY NOTE SPEAKER!**  
LIUNA Event Center, 4532 S. Lindbergh, St. Louis, MO 63127



Sharida Mitchell - Territory Account Manager  
Mallory Safety & Supply  
**Monthly Meeting - April 10th, 2023 11:00 am to 1 pm**  
Building a Safety Culture - Getting the "Buy-In"



Dr. Hobbs, (L) St. Louis Orthopedic and Sports Medicine  
Dr. Minges (R) Orthopedic Spine Surgery - Joint Presentation  
**Monthly Meeting - May 8th, 11:00 am to 1 pm**  
"Neck/Shoulder Syndrome in the Workplace"



**Annual Golf Tournament - June 9th, 2023 - 7 am to 3 pm**  
St. Peters Golf Club, 200 Salt Lick Rd, Saint Peters, Missouri 63376



Chris Archer, Attorney at Law - Archer & Lassa, LLC.  
**Monthly Meeting - July 10th, 2023 - 11:00 am to 1 pm**  
"Is this compensable?" Test your knowledge and judgement on real fact patterns decided recently by the courts.



**AB Tour!!! – No Meeting! – August 10th , 2023 – 3 PM to 5 PM**  
**Happy Hour w/Food & Beer – 5 PM to 7 PM**  
**Must Register – \$20.00/person (non-refundable)**



Stacie Zellin, Community Education Coordinator  
 Prevent+Ed  
**Monthly Meeting – September 11th, 2023 – 11:00 am to 1 pm**  
**"Navigating Conversations around Substance Use"**

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**Monthly Meeting – October 9th, 2023 – 11:00 am to 1 pm**  
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**Monthly Meeting – November 13th, 2023 – 11:00 am to 1 pm**  
 TBD



Maryanne Heuer Martin, CSP. Compliance Assistance Specialist (L)  
 Bill McDonald, Area Director, OSHA – St. Louis Area Office (R)  
**Monthly Meeting – December 11th, 2023 – 11:00 am to 1 pm**  
 Annual OSHA Update



<https://stl.assp.org/event/>



Always find the latest events at <https://stl.assp.org/>

## Mid-Missouri Section

**The Mid Missouri section provides networking and training opportunities for the professionals working in and around Jefferson City and Columbia.**

Mid-Mo has a lot of exciting meetings planned for this year, to be held at D. Rowe's Restaurant in Columbia, MO:

- March 22nd, **Unrolling Marijuana:** Best Practices and Trends
- April 19th, **OSHA Updates:** Presented by Maryanne Heuer Martin, MS CSP CHST, Compliance Assistance Specialist, OSHA - St. Louis Area Office. There will also be a short segment on the topic of **Workers' Compensation Fraud & Noncompliance:** Presented by Anthony Ferrell, Chief Administrator of the Missouri Dept of Labor & Industrial Relations
- May 17th, **Suicide Prevention & Mental Health** Presented by Matt Cowell, Director of Safety at Emery Sapp & Sons, Inc (Rescheduled from January)

If you are interested in participating in these meetings or joining the Mid-MO mailing list, please reach out to [Paul Krewson](mailto:Paul.Krewson@assp.org) or opt-in here: <https://mailchi.mp/b33f8ed3f931/assp-midmo>

## Widely Believed OSHA Myths (Part I)

~Bill Kincaid, P.E., CSP, CIT

Although nowhere near as exciting as tales of Bigfoot or ancient aliens who enjoyed building pyramids in their spare time, there are some persistent OSHA-related myths which are just as untrue. There are so many there's not room enough in one column for them all, so we're just covering a sample. Here are some of those myths, plus one item which is completely true. Try to guess which one before you get to the answers which follow.

- Myth #1: Once a hazardous chemical is no longer in use, the safety data sheet must be kept on file for at least thirty years.
- Myth #2: Needlesticks must all be recorded on the OSHA 300 log.
- Myth #3: OSHA's important rules on Chemical Hazard Communication, Lockout and Permit Required Confined Spaces all require initial training for employees, and annual refresher training thereafter.
- Myth #4: Having in-house janitorial staff in an industrial plant or having an employee cut themselves once in a while makes it necessary to implement a Bloodborne Pathogens Exposure Control Program.
- Myth #5: Forklift retraining is required for all operators every three years.
- Myth #6: If your permit-required confined space rescue plan is to call the local fire department, you have to make sure they're trained and equipped, make sure they can get there in time, inform them of the hazards they may encounter at the site, and allow them access to your facilities for practice runs in the space.

#### Answers:

**Myth #1: Busted!** A record of any incident involving a hazardous substance must remain on file for 30 years and there must be some form of exposure record, such as an inventory list of the chemicals on site. An SDS not associated with a specific exposure incident would not need to be retained. – see 1910.1020(c)(5)(iv) for more details.

**Myth #2: Busted - partially!** Although we must record all sticks from used, potentially contaminated sharps, if the needle is sterile, it doesn't have to be recorded unless one of the usual recording criteria are met, such as medical treatment or days away from work. See 1904.8(a) for more details. We must record all contaminated sharps injuries on a separate needlestick log as well as on the OSHA 300, by the way.

**Myth #3: Busted!** Although some rules require annual refreshers, Chemical Hazard Communication, Lockout and Permit Required Confined Spaces don't require annual retraining. See 1910.1200(h)(1), 1910.147(c)(7)(iii)(A) and 1910.146(g)(2) for details.

**Myth #4: Busted!** OSHA has stated they don't generally expect janitors in non-clinical settings to have the "reasonably anticipated" exposure to blood or OPIM which triggers Bloodborne Pathogens compliance. The same applies for the occasional cut finger, which could happen anywhere.

Oddly, OSHA seems to have forgotten to say much about janitors in industrial workplaces, a far more common situation than the hospitals, clinics and labs which this rule was mainly written for. You should have a few people trained and equipped for BBP who can clean up blood, and my clients go overboard and train their employees on awareness. See 1910.1030(b), and its many letters of interpretation, for details. Expect to see a lot of statements like "it's ultimately up to the employer to determine..." avoiding a hard and fast answer.

**Myth #5: Busted!** An operator evaluation is required every three years. If the evaluation shows no safety deficiencies, no retraining is needed. We do need retraining if there are safety deficiencies, if the type of truck is changed, if the operator was in a near-miss accident, if workplace conditions are changed in ways that would affect safety or if there are various other triggers. See 1910.178(l)(4)(i) for details.

**Myth #6: All quite true.** I have been on site during at least one confined space rescue where everything which could have gone wrong went wrong, and it was all because the employer put zero effort into planning rescue. Why? They thought the local FD could do it. A life-or-death rescue event is the worst possible way to find out you're not ready for a rescue. See 1910.146(k)(1) for details.

~Bill

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## **Buckle Up, Phone Down Business Showdown**

Want to do your part to make Missouri roads safer **and win cash prizes?**

**The Buckle Up Phone Down (BUPD) Business Showdown runs from January 9 to March 31, 2023 and is open to all Missouri employers with five or more employees.**

Learn more and register here: <https://savemolives.com/mcrs/buckle-phone-down-business-showdown>

To be eligible for the Business Showdown, businesses must do the following:

- Have five or more employees;
- Register for the Showdown (link below);
- Adopt a safe driving policy (a sample policy is provided along with other communication and educational materials); and
- Ask employees to complete an online distracted driving training video and submit an online Buckle Up Phone Down pledge.

Businesses with the highest percentage of employees completing the training and taking the Buckle Up Phone Down Pledge by March 31, 2023, can win cash prizes to use towards employee safety initiatives. A total of three (3) cash prizes will be awarded to the top three (3) businesses – 1st place: \$7,500, 2nd place: \$6,000 and 3rd place: \$5,000. The winning businesses will also be invited to the Missouri State Capitol for a recognition event on April 12, 2023.

Employees who complete the training video and take the pledge are also entered into a drawing for a chance to win a \$25 gift card.

Accept the challenge today and encourage your employees to [drive like it's their job](#), by buckling their seat belts and putting their phones down while driving!



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## **Improving Access to Period Supplies**

While speaking with members of Missouri Women in Trades (MOWIT) during a presentation they gave on Pelvic Health, the members of WISH discovered there is a need for better access to period supplies: not only at jobsites, but also at the Associated General Contractors Headquarters!

After meeting with Brandon Anderson, Vice President of Safety for AGC of St. Louis, the AGC team got down to work, and a period supply cart was provided at the AGC!

Additionally, Courtney Hobbie, Director of Safety Kozeny Wagner, knowing about the challenges getting supplies while in the field, has added period supplies to first aid kits and worked to ensure all employees that may need them know about their availability. She has also added these supplies to the list of what must be inspected in the first aid kits.

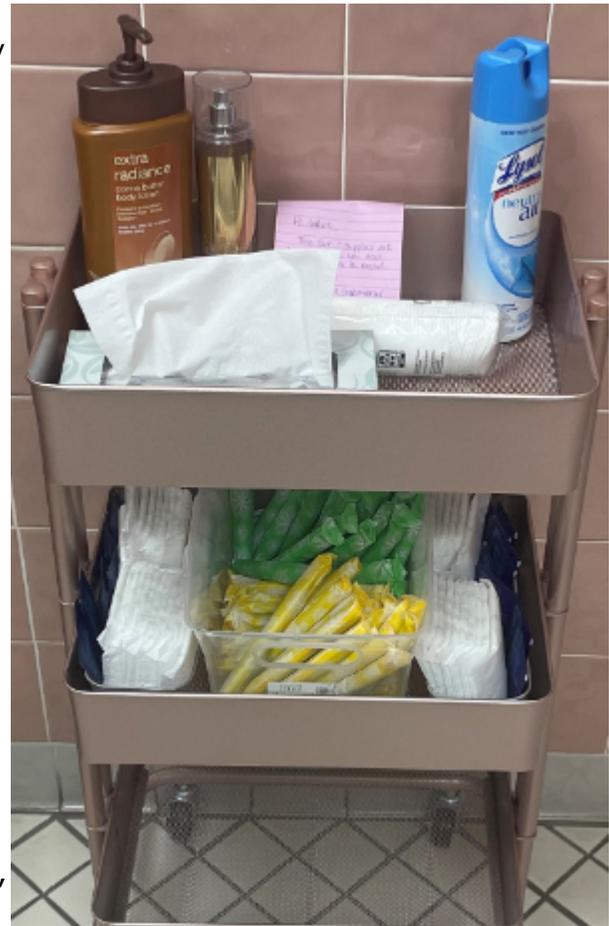
Kathi Dobson, Safety Director, Alberici, has also been working to improve hygiene at job sites. She has made period packs for Alberici employees and some have been distributed to MOWIT members.



She is also paying attention to general sanitation practices in the field to include providing access to sanitary products, disposal methods for these products, exploring “accessible” porta-potties for women as doffing work clothes in the tight quarters can be challenging.

All of these to make the job sites more inclusive, safe and inviting for tradeswomen.

Thanks all!



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### **Midwest Construction Safety Conference**

The Midwest Construction Safety Conference (MCSC) is committed to improving construction safety throughout the region with top-tier education from safety experts across the construction industry. The conference and expo will return March 9 and 10, 2023, at [Adams Pointe Conference Center](#) in Blue Springs, Missouri. Secure your spot for this annual favorite conference soon! [Vendor](#) and [sponsorship](#) opportunities are also available.



3/9/2023 7:30 AM - 3/10/2023 12:30 PM

Adams Pointe Conference Center 1400 NE Coronado Drive  
Blue Springs, MO 64104 UNITED STATES

<https://buildersassociation.com/iCore/Events/MCSC>

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*Plans the program time and needs for presentations & coordinates schedule*

**Social Media** – Open

*Maintains Face book & Twitter accounts promoting discussion with local membership*

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*Organizes the WISH events to promote the community of women in Safety & Health*

Please contact a board member or committee chair with comments or if you would like to participate in any of the chapter activities.

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