



# gulf coast safety & training group

# newsletter

ORGANIZED TO PROMOTE THE ADVANCEMENT OF SAFETY & TRAINING IN THE OIL AND GAS INDUSTRY

## from the presidency

Dear GCSTG Members and Friends,

Over 100 safety professionals attended the May 2014 meeting. There were as many at the annual crawfish get together at Crawfish Town USA. It was a pleasure seeing all of you there enjoying the crawfish and fellowship amongst each other.

Unfortunately we had to cancel the annual GCSTG Golf Tournament due to a lack of teams required to hold the tournament. A hearty thanks to OPITO and Shell for their donations which will allow for scholarships again this year. Don't forget to get those applications in to Tiffany Hebert ASAP.

Topics discussed last meeting were different yet provided good information for all of us to use. Professional Code of Conduct is something all safety professionals should adhere to at all times. It is a tenet that I feel is inherent to the safety profession. Thank you Mr. Dennis Hudson with ASSE.

David Krause and David Dykes discussed Chevron's GOM Field Verification Process. They seemed to get everyone in the audience involved and thinking regarding competency of our personnel in the field.

The July meeting topics are:

- "Overview of International Maritime Contractors Association"
- "Update: Center for Offshore Safety"
- "Proposed Training Modules for SafeGulf"

The next scheduled Quality Group meeting is scheduled for July 9, 2014 at the South Regional Library, 6101 Johnson St., Lafayette, LA. This chapter is growing but has room for more. Contact information is as follows: Erik Reutling at 337-412-8147 or reutling@lusfiber.net

We have entered into the 2014 Hurricane Season. This six month season requires us to insure that proper planning is in place at all times. Our weather services give us, for the most part, adequate time to set the plan in motion and insure that our personnel are not in "harm's way." This goes for personnel working offshore and personnel who work on land operations. Review your company's plan with your personnel!

I hope to see all of you at the July 2014 meeting.

Have a great day!

Pat Beihl, CSP  
President, GCSTG

## notice of meeting

When: **Friday, July 11, 2014**

Where: Petroleum Club of Lafayette  
111 Heymann Blvd.  
Lafayette, LA

Meeting Fees: \$30 for members & sponsored guests  
\$40 for non-members and members not sending an RSVP  
*(We accept pre-paid meeting fee cards, cash or checks. We are NOT set up for credit cards.)*

**RSVP Required by Wednesday, July 9th at 11:00 a.m.**

You must RSVP to attend!

Email RSVP to [genebarf@bellsouth.net](mailto:genebarf@bellsouth.net)

## meeting agenda

07:30 - 08:00 Registration, Continental Breakfast

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08:00 - 08:30 Welcome & Self Introductions

08:30 - 09:00 Committee Reports  
Science Fair Winners Presentations

09:00 - 09:15 Networking / Break

09:15 - 10:00 **Topic 1: "Overview of International Marine Contractors Association"**  
**Speaker: Chris Charman, Chief Executive**  
**Company: International Marine Contractors Association**

10:00 - 10:15 Networking / Break

10:15 - 11:00 **Topic 2: "Proposed Training Modules for SafeGulf"**  
**Speaker: Alexis D. Vitone**  
**Company: SAFEGULF Chairwoman**

11:00 - 11:15 Networking / Break

11:15 - 12:00 **Topic 3: "Update: Center for Offshore Safety"**  
**Speakers: Eric Roan, Program Manager**  
**Company: Center for Offshore Safety**

12:00 - 12:15 Door Prize Drawing

12:15 - Until Lunch and Continued Networking or Adjourn

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## meeting minutes . . . .

The meeting was called to order on May 16, 2014 at 8:00 am by Pat Beihl, President. Pat reminded everyone of the locations of the emergency exits. The pledge of allegiance was conducted and was followed by a moment of silence.

### Membership Chair, Gene Barfield

Currently the GCSTG membership is 357, by the end of year membership should be back to 400.

### Crawfish Boil Chair, Gene Barfield

Gene Barfield announced that the GCSTG Crawfish Boil was held on May 15, 2014 at Crawfish Town USA. The crawfish boil was a success.

### GCSTG Golf Tournament, Tiffany Hebert

The 2014 Crawfish Classic Golf Tournament was cancelled due to lack of teams participating. OPITO donated \$4,000 and Shell donated \$1,500 towards the GCSTG Scholarship Fund and also some of the teams that registered donated their registration fee to the GCSTG Scholarship Fund. Tiffany suggested that we may consider another type of event to generate money for the scholarship fund. We will still accept scholarship applications; Gene Barfield will email the scholarship applications next week.

### Scholarship Chair, Tiffany Hebert

Tiffany Hebert announced that the 2014 GCSTG Scholarship Application forms will be mailed in May to the membership. Once the Scholarship Application forms are filled out by applicants and submitted to the GCSTG Scholarship Committee, then the GCSTG Scholarship committee reviews the forms and distributes monetary awards to the applicants.

### Safe Gulf, Jim Gunter

#### **GCSTG SGAG COMMITTEE REPORT, March 2014**

The Safe Gulf Advisory Group has been very active during the years. There will be a meeting on June 3, 2014. At the June meeting, the topic of discussion will be safety awareness training, some of the topics will be SEMS, HAZCOM, Marine Trash and Debris, Maritime security and Terrorism, JSA, Stop Work Authority, Tips to Traveling Offshore. If you have any comments to address at the meeting, please get with Jim Gunter. For additional information regarding SafeGulf, please see the website at <http://safegulf.com/>.

### Quality Group, Erik Reutling

#### **American Society for Quality - Acadiana Chapter, Erik Reutling**

Erik Reutling QHSSE Manager with IPT Global has recently been elected Chairman of the Acadiana Chapter of the American Society for Quality. The Acadiana ASQ Chapter, Section 1423, serves an area from Beaumont TX, to Baton Rouge LA. There are presently a total of 56 members in the chapter. We have established leadership roles and committees and are also in the process of forming a student section at the University of Louisiana at Lafayette in the Industrial Technology and Engineering departments. Our goal is to facilitate ASQ training in Acadiana to all who are interested. Our next meeting will be held Wednesday July 9th 2014, at the South Regional Library, 6101 Johnson Street, Lafayette, LA.

If you or someone you know would like to participate in the American Society for Quality (ASQ), or seeking quality type courses/certification such as Six Sigma, Root Cause Analysis, Internal Auditing we would love to speak with you. You may contact Erik Reutling 337-412-8147 or reutling@lusfiber.net.

### Regulatory Affairs Chair, Laurie Knape

The report is sent to all GCSTG members monthly by email and is also included in the newsletter. No report given at this time. Laurie Knape is Chair of Regulatory Affairs. David Dykes and Rick Keen will assist Laurie Knape.

### Speaker Arrangements Chair, Pete Goodman

Pete Goodman is currently seeking potential speakers for the 2014 GCSTG Membership meetings. Pete Goodman asked members if they have any guest speakers in mind for the upcoming meetings or any topics that would be of interest to contact him at or 337-804-2156.

### 1st Guest Speaker – Dennis Hudson, JD, Director of Professional Affairs, American Society of Safety Engineers, Chicago, IL, “Professional Code of Conduct: Key Issues for the OSH Professional”

Pete Goodman introduced the first guest speaker, Speaker: Dennis Hudson, JD, Director of Professional Affairs, American Society of Safety Engineers, Chicago, IL, to present “Professional Code of Conduct: Key Issues for the OSH Professional.” Topics included were:

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Why a Code of Conduct, Code of Conduct important to ASSE which sets expectations for behavior. Conflicts of Interests – Disclosure, Duty to Inform of unacceptable risks, confidentiality, Conflict between 2 obligations, Falsification of credentials, filing an ethics complaint at ASSE.

**2nd Guest Speakers – Dave Krause, David Dykes, Chevron Oil & Gas, CHESM Team, “Chevron GOM Field Verification Process”**

Pete Goodman introduced the second guest speakers, Dave Krause and David Dykes, with Chevron Oil & Gas, CHESM Team, to present “Chevron GOM Field Verification Process.” Topics included, Field Competency Coaches and the Field Verification Process. Field Verification Process is conducted at work locations to verify safe work practices with expectations of managing safe work. The leadership on location will lead the observation of high work activity. Field Competency Coaches assist to facilitate and document observations. The process flow: work flow preparation and work flow execution. The scope of field verification: review appropriate documentation and observe high risk activity. Setting up for success: connect, respect, verify.

**Round Table, Pete Goodman**

Pete Goodman opened the floor for the Round Table Discussion. The Round Table discussion is for members seeking solutions to safety concerns and share experiences.

**Topic:** SEMS II Proposed Rule, Contractor evaluation and field verification and competency, discussed by David Dykes.

**Topic:** Gene Barfield mentioned courses that will be available through ASSE and GCSTG for safety professional to become accredited, CSP course in Lafayette in either August or September, OHST course in November, H2S Instructor Developer Course, H2S Instructor Trainer, H2S Master Trainer in 1st Qtr. 2015.

**Topic:** Eric Reutling, discussed Prescription AED regulated by FDA.

**Topic:** Defensive Driving Program was discussed, good driving training for adults, Smith System, National Safety Council – Distracted Driver Training.

**Topic:** Alex Novas, OSHA, discussed the OSHA National Fall Prevention Safety Stand Down. The National Fall Prevention Safety Stand Down is to raise awareness of preventing fall hazards in construction. Fatalities caused by falls from elevation continue to be a leading cause of death for construction workers. What is a Safety Stand Down? A Safety Stand-Down is a voluntary event for employers to talk directly to employees about “Fall Hazards” and to reinforce the importance of “Fall Prevention.” Fall Protection is the number one citation, 8 citations in Louisiana. OSHA is currently initiating a “Heat Stress Campaign” to prevent Heat Illness in Outdoor Workers. For educational resources go to OSHA.gov. You can subscribe to OSHA’s “Quick Takes - Newsletter” at OSHA.gov, Quick Takes is a free e-newsletter delivered twice monthly and you will receive the latest news about OSHA initiatives and products to assist employers and workers in finding and preventing workplace hazards. The OSHA 2014 Oil & Gas Safety & Health - 2014 OSHA Oil & Gas Conference will held be on December 2-3, 2014 in Houston, TX at Hilton Americas, 1600 Lamar Street, Houston, TX. For additional information [www.oshasafetyconference.org](http://www.oshasafetyconference.org)

**Topic:** There is a website for military veterans, [www.battlefieldstoolfields.com](http://www.battlefieldstoolfields.com)

**Topic:** Shell is having a Shell Safety Day to focus on Hand Safety and Process Safety,

**Door Prizes**

Door prizes were drawn and distributed and the meeting closed at 12:00 noon for lunch.

**Next Meeting**

Next Meeting is Friday, July 11, 2014 at the Lafayette Petroleum Club.

**Science Fairs Chair, Leonard Nederveld, Danny Viator, Kent Bordelon**

The Science Fair committee has been very active this year. This year we have judged Regional Science Fairs in every Region; Houston, Lafayette, New Orleans and Houma/Thibodeaux. Thanks to all those that volunteered to assist with the judging of the projects. All of the winners have received an invitation to attend a future meeting. Quincy Weary from New Orleans attended the May meeting, and we are expecting two students from Lafayette and one from Houston at the July meeting. This year appears to have had the best participation in quite a while. Thanks to the Regional Chairs for jobs well done!

Region	Chair	Judges	Winners
Houma/Thibodeaux	Bill Womack	Vernon Seymour, Ernest Richard, Gary Clifton, David Gautreaux, & Bill Womack	Matthew Lewis – Vitamin C on Human Health; Cade Mataya – Sounds of Silence; Noah Vicknair – Toilet Toothbrush; Lyrren Mwaghore – Apples to Apples
Lafayette	Danny Viator	Rick Keen, Gale Keen, James Shaheen, David Laughlin, & Patti Horn	Anna Uminaro – Can You Hear Me Now; Kevin Sinanan– Texting Distracts While Driving; Emily Garcia and Cynthia Romero – Super Fruits; Alexandra Guidry – Distracted Driving
Houston	Leonard Nederveld	Chuck Praznik; Jon Plakosh, Al Allong, & Leonard Nederveld	Ruhika Roy - HOPG Vibration Sensor; Caffeine and Daphnia; Maria Nava & Khoa Nguyen - Coke vs. Lemonade; Paul Tan, Shu-en Shen & Anastasia Chan - UV Blockage
New Orleans	Kent Bordelon & Colette McClellon	Lance Roux, Bob Stout, Denny Jenkins, Patti Proze, & Kent Bordelon	Quincy Weary – Electrolytes: Orange Juice vs. Sports Drinks; Hyoel Lee – The Silent Killers – MSG and Nicotine; Zowie Kemery – Effect of Environment Temperature on Human Cognitive Performance; Allison Olsonoski – Effectiveness of Homeopathic vs. Store-Bought Antacids on Acid Severity During Acid Reflux

Kent Bordelon and Colette Brignac introduced the Science Fair project winner from New Orleans, Quincy Weary, 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Student from Lake Forest Elementary Charter School. He presented his science fair project to the GCSTG members, “Electrolytes – PowerAde vs. Orange Juice. Chuck Praznik was one of the judges at the Houston Science Fair and stated that it is a big science fair and an amazing event and recommended that our members should participate in judging their local science fairs. Danny Viator mentioned that there will be two science fair presenters from the Louisiana Region VI Science and Engineering Fair at the July meeting.

# R.S.V.P.

In order to better plan for the meeting, we are asking all members to reserve their spot at the meeting. This will allow us to accurately report to the facility how many people will need to be fed, assuring that enough food is prepared, and avoiding overpayment for food that is not eaten.

**Email your RSVP  
by Wednesday, July 9th, to:  
genebarf@bellsouth.net**

Please include in your email:

The date you send it, your name (required), whether or not you are attending and how many guests you will bring with a list of their names (required) and company names (required).

## membership report

Category .....	Count
Air Service Companies.....	1
Associations.....	2
Attorneys at Law .....	2
Contractor Production Operators.....	15
Diving Service Companies .....	2
Drilling Companies .....	15
Drug Testing Companies .....	2
Environmental Services .....	1
Governmental Services .....	48
Independent Safety Consultants .....	23
Industrial Medical Services .....	12
Insurance Companies.....	1
Marine Service Companies.....	3
Oil/Gas Production Companies.....	78
Retired Members.....	3
Safety Equipment Suppliers.....	2
Safety/Training Services Companies.....	22
Service Companies .....	114
Support Services .....	4
Universities-Safety Training.....	3
<b>Total .....</b>	<b>353</b>

## 2014 meeting schedule

July 11, 2014.....Membership Meeting  
 September 12, 2014.....Membership Meeting  
 November 14, 2014.....Membership Meeting

## treasurer's report

Treasurer – Gene Barfield, CSP

March, 2014

General Fund .....	\$26,145.69
Scholarship Fund .....	\$15,072.27
Savings Account.....	\$82,045.89
<b>TOTAL.....</b>	<b>\$123,263.85</b>

# Welcome New Members

**STEPHEN BARBER**  
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