



gulf coast safety & training group

newsletter

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

from the president

Dear GCSTG Members and Friends,

Wow . . . I can't believe we are already almost halfway through 2016! I hope you were able to make it to our March 11, 2016 GCSTG meeting. At the conclusion of the May 20th meeting, I will be halfway through my third term as President of GCSTG. It's been a pleasure and an honor to work with everyone. Please think about stepping up and volunteering for the various elected and appointed roles for our organization. It is only with everyone's support that we can continue to thrive as an organization. In order to help support our members during the current petroleum industry economic downturn, the GCSTG Officers and Executive Committee has reduced the GCSTG meeting fees from \$30 to \$15 through March of 2017. We sincerely hope this helps everyone to continue participating in the GCSTG meetings during these trying times.

Our first guest speaker at the March 11th meeting, Dr. Tina Stefanski with the Louisiana Department of Health and Hospitals, did a great presentation to the group on the "Zika Virus Update." It is really interesting that the Zika Virus has received so much press since our meeting and her update was definitely timely for the group. Our second guest speaker, Ms. Dorinda Folse, the OSHA-Baton Rouge Area Director, gave the group a very wide-ranging "OSHA Update." Her presentations are a great way to gain insight into pending regulatory action and programs that OSHA intends to place an emphasis on. Our GCSTG is fortunate to have speakers of their caliber present to the group and we appreciate their taking the time to do so.

Before the speaker presentations began, I asked the group about the President's message that is produced for the GCSTG newsletter. My main question was really simple, "Can any of you tell me what was in this month's newsletter?" Even though I was armed with some pretty cool tokens of appreciation to hand out, I wound up keeping them since no one read the article. What I did decide to do was resurrect an excerpt from my President's Message published in the May 10, 2013, newsletter. It was

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notice of meeting

When: Friday, May 20, 2016
Where: Petroleum Club of Lafayette
111 Heymann Blvd.
Lafayette, LA
Meeting Fees: \$15 for members & sponsored guests
\$30 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 Thursday, May 19th at 11:00 a.m.
You must RSVP to attend!
Email RSVP to genebarf@bellsouth.net

meeting agenda

07:30 - 08:00 Registration, Continental Breakfast
08:00 - 08:30 Welcome & Self Introductions
08:30 - 09:00 Committee Reports
09:00 - 09:15 Networking / Break
09:15 - 10:00 Topics 1: **"2016-7 Hurricane Season Status"**
Speaker: **Nelson Robinson**
Company: **Alert Weather Service, Inc.**
10:00 - 10:15 Networking / Break
10:15 - 11:00 Topics 2: **"After the Fall -The Importance of Having a Fall Rescue Plan."**
Speaker: **Michelle Shirley**
Company: **VERSA Integrity Group, Inc.**
11:00 - 11:15 Networking / Break
11:15 - Until Round Table Discussion (Members seek solutions to safety concerns and share experiences)

Door Prize Drawing

Lunch and Continued Networking or Adjourn

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meeting minutes

The meeting was called to order on March 11, 2016 at 8:00 AM by Gordon Ganaway, President 2016. Gordon reminded everyone of the locations of the emergency exits. The pledge of allegiance was conducted and was followed by a moment of silence. Committee Reports were presented then everyone introduced themselves.

Gordon reminded everyone that this is a safety group and no sales/marketing solicitation allowed.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Membership, Gene Barfield

We now have 200 members. We lost 109 members that did not pay annual dues for 2016. Please spread the word to former members and encourage them to return to GCS&TG.

Science Fair 2015, Leonard Nederveld

Lafayette Science Fair is tomorrow (March 12th). Volunteers are still needed. Please see Danny Viator for more information. There will be a full report of winners at the next meeting.

GCS&TG Science Fair Committee Report May 20, 2016

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.

The following are the names of the winners as well as the names of those who assisted in the judging:

| Region | Chair | Judges | Winners |
|----------------------|-----------------------------------|---|--|
| Houma/ Thibodeaux | Bill Womack | Jim Lina, Ronald Washington & Bill Womack | John Patterson – Coefficient of Kinetic Friction at Constant Velocity. Makenna – Foggy Perception Caroline Genius - Bayou to Bottle Kaylie Bourg – Cooking with Cell Phones |
| Lafayette | Danny Viator | Scotty Boudreaux, Dusty Hulin, Buddy White, Ryan Lasseigne & Danny Viator | Reily Gorse – What Is Sunlight’s Effect on Color? Matthew Fangue – Repelling What Bugs You Sadie Hebert – OMG! Bacteria Cynthia Romero & Emily Garcia – Super Fruits 2 |
| Houston | Chuck Praznik | Blake Carter, Gary Resniscec, Angela Praznik, & Chuck Praznik | Evan Rosenthal – Distracted Driving Daniel Augustine – Adding Flame Retardant to Paint Alena Tas & Angela Diep – Effects of Distractions/ Noise on Learning |
| New Orleans | Kent Bordelon & Colette McClellon | Bob Stout & Kent Bordelon | Andrew Pitari – Which Has a Greater Ignitability: Synthetic or Natural Fabrics? Madison Pierce – What Factors Are Most Influential in Determining Success of Post-operative Physical Therapy? |

All of the winners have received their medals and an invitation to attend a future meeting.

This year was one of our best yet. We had 100% participation and judged some excellent projects.

Thanks to the Regional Chairs and to all of the judges that gave of their time. Job well done!

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Safe Gulf, Edie Tranchina

Safegulf Committee now meets quarterly with the next meeting in April. (More details on pages 4 and 5.)

Regulatory Affairs

Report posted on webpage (www.gcstg.com) and will not be emailed; on the webpage click on regulatory affairs then click on a word document. Once the document is opened, the internet link can be found in the far right column.

Quality Committee, Nick McCormick

ASQ Meeting scheduled for April 14th. Future Training / Seminars:

- Cost of Nonconformance
- ISO 9001:2015 Path Forward & Risk Management (2 day)

Scholarship Activities, Gene Barfield / Tiffany Hebert

Currently there is \$2800.00 in the Scholarship Fund Account. Once the scholarship fund is depleted, there will be no more scholarships until funds are donated again.

Nominations & Elections, Pete Goodman

Gordon introduced Pete Goodman as interim President Elect.

1st Guest Speaker – Dr. Tina Stefanski, Department of Health and Hospitals, “Zika Virus Update.”

- Prior to 2015, Zika virus outbreaks in Africa, S.E. Asia, & Pacific Islands.
- Late 2015 first case confirmed in Brazil.
- In U.S., no local transmission presently. 193 reported cases in U.S. – all travel related.
- 2 cases in LA.
- Transmitted to people through the bite of an infected *Aedes* species mosquito.
- Spread of virus through blood transfusion and sexual contact has been reported.
- Majority of people infected with Zika Virus are asymptomatic.
- Clinical illness usually mild, lasting several days to weeks.
- Sudden onset of fever, red flat rash, joint pain, and red itchy eyes.
- Major risk is to the developing fetus of pregnant women, causing miscarriage and birth defects (microcephaly).
- No commercially available test for Zika Virus.
- Testing performed at CDC.
- No specific antiviral treatment is available generally supportive treatments including rest, fluids, pain relievers and fever reducers.

2nd Guest Speaker – Dorinda Folse, OSHA Area Director “OSHA Update”

- 13 workers are fatally injured each day in the U.S.
- In LA “struck by” is most common
- Other areas most common is “falls”
- FY 2016 there are currently 18 fatalities in LA
- HAZCOM full implementation by June 2016.

- Current emphasis on workplace violence, ergonomics, and chemical exposure.
- There will be an increase in base monetary penalties.
- OSHA Oil & Gas Conf will be November 29 & 30 in Houston.

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.

- Gene presented Gordon with President Elect plaque for last years’ service to GCS&TG.
- Gordon let all know that the meeting fees will be reduced from \$30 to \$15 through March of 2017.
- Ken Wells spoke on Well Control and BOP Rule.
- Discussed SEMS for contractors and bridging documents.

Door Prizes

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

Next Meeting & Crawfish Boil:

Next Meeting is Friday, May 20, 2016 at the Lafayette Petroleum Club.

Annual Crawfish Boil is May 19 – 6:00 at Crawfish Town USA. Invitation for crawfish boil will be emailed to each member.

Quality Committee – Nic McCormick

Next ASQ meeting will be held June 9th at 6:00-7:30 p.m., Location: Frank’s International 425 Industrial Parkway, Speaker TBA

Welcome New Members

LANE BONSALE
ENERGY TRANSFER

DANNY FAULKNER
SAFETY, TRAINING, AND CONSULTING

JT LEE
CHEVRON NA E&P COMPANY

WREN LEMMON, ASP, OHST
DANOS

THOMAS NELSON
QUALITY ENERGY SERVICES

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an article I liked that I thought had some good information in it. If you weren't a member at that time or have not read the full message, just send me an email and I'll forward it to you. Well, enough suspense . . . here's the excerpt and I hope you find it interesting:

. . . Well, it was a great meeting [3/8/13] and later on at my home office I sat down, numerous times I may add, to try to write another article for the newsletter. "What do I want to write about?" is always the hardest part. Has some new regulatory legislation been promulgated that the GCSTG members may want to hear my take on? Has anything been in the news that people with safety careers may find interesting? This newsletter really had me concerned because what if everybody read this article and was disappointed? I mean, I did call attention to the past article at the 3/8/13 meeting and even rewarded people that knew the answer. This dilemma really had me putting a lot of thought into this article because people may actually read this one.

Just when all seemed hopelessly futile, I experienced my eureka moment and realized I could write about unintended consequences! That was it! Unintended consequences! How many times has someone resolved a safety issue only to have some unintended consequence surface that basically negated the solution? So many things we do at our jobs require us, as safety professionals, to delve a little deeper and see what needs to be done for our personnel to safely and efficiently accomplish their tasks.

To deal with unintended consequences, industry has developed such methods as HazOp (Hazard and Operability Study). The HazOp method helps to identify the consequences associated with deviating from the normal process conditions. These "consequences of deviation" are identified and studied to determine if there are any "unintended consequences" that need to be addressed. By identifying the unintended consequences, recommendations to improve the process and/or the procedure can be made.

Another unintended consequence is initiating a safety action where the people become comfortable with the safety action, feel safer, and then engage in a behavior that puts the new safety step to a test. For example, when people are required to wear the lifting back supports, they may be more likely to overexert themselves than if they were not wearing the support. The support can give them a false sense of confidence of their lifting capabilities. Another example might be bike helmets. Are you riding closer to traffic because you have a bike helmet on? Are you traveling a little faster than necessary on your bike because of your bike helmet and protective pads?

One thing I learned is that Economists and Risk Managers refer to this increased risk taking as the "Peltzman Effect"—the tendency of individuals to respond to safety regulations by engaging in more dangerous behavior. Mr. Sam

Peltzman was a University of Chicago economist and wrote numerous papers, including a 1975 paper titled "The effects of automobile safety regulation." This paper used statistical analyses to review Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standards (FMVSS). While the findings led to some pretty animated discussions among the risk management community, there were some pretty interesting thoughts on how safety is traded as an economic good that we treat as any other good to be traded.

The complete article "Risky business: safety regulations, risk compensation, and individual behavior" by Dr. James Hedlund can be found on the Injury Prevention website at "<http://injuryprevention.bmj.com/content/6/2/82.long>." If you get the time, I highly recommend you review it.

So what do we do about unintended consequences? In my opinion, it still comes down to training your personnel to think through their processes and get the personnel involved in doing a proper job of their JSAs (Job Safety Analysis), JSEAs (Job Safety & Environmental Analysis), Process Hazard Analysis (PHA), etc. It is critical that your personnel are encouraged to fully think through the process they are about to undertake and what may cause an unintended consequence. . . .

I look forward to seeing everyone at the May 19th crawfish boil and everyone have a safe trip to our May 20th GCSTG meeting. Also, think about bringing a co-worker and do what you can to be an ambassador for GCSTG. New faces and active current members keep GCSTG a vibrant and relevant organization.

Gordon Ganaway, CSP
President, Gulf Coast Safety & Training Group

SafeGulf Report – Edie Tranchina

Hosted by IADC in Houston, TX

Prior Action Items

1. PEC provided documentation to prove they had purchased SafeGulf in 2006. They also hold trademark rights to SafeGulf logo. SafeGulf is not an entity.
2. PEC, IADC and OMSA are Program Accreditors for SafeGulf and are responsible for making sure trainers are using the refreshed program.
3. Notified COS to confirm SafeGulf organization is still viable. There was a rumor the SafeGulf was dismantled.
4. Meetings were changed from monthly to quarterly. Next meeting is July 28th. Location to be determined.
5. It was voted on "by operators" to change the name of SafeGulf and then address rewrite of "Board Operating Perimeters" posted online as "Guidance Documents." A committee was formed to address possibilities, marketing and branding specialists. Alexis agreed to chair. Alma with IADC agree to participate.

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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 Thursday, May 19th at 11:00am,
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 | 1 |
| Contractor Production Operators | 11 |
| Diving Service Companies..... | 2 |
| Drilling Companies..... | 2 |
| Governmental Services..... | 28 |
| Independent Safety Consultants..... | 14 |
| Industrial Medical Services | 10 |
| Insurance Companies | 1 |
| Marine Service Companies..... | 2 |
| Oil/Gas Production Companies | 38 |
| Safety Equipment Suppliers | 1 |
| Safety/Training Services Companies..... | 21 |
| Service Companies..... | 70 |
| Support Services..... | 3 |
| Universities-Safety Training | 2 |
| Total | 207 |

2016 Meeting Schedule

Thursday, May 19, 2016
ANNUAL CRAWFISH BOIL
CrawfishTown USA

Friday, May 20, 2016
General Membership Meeting

Friday, July 22, 2016
General Membership Meeting

Friday, Sept. 9, 2016
General Membership Meeting

Friday, Nov. 11, 2016
General Membership Meeting

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Operator Updates

Alexis will be leaving BP. Other operators gave updates to cut backs and lay off. (Apache, Cobalt, ExxonMobil . . .)

GCS&TG Update included:

- New lunch fees
- Crawfish boil date and location
- Next Meeting, May 20th

Operator Task Force (T-8)

Alexis reported that T-8 focus on safety training for offshore. (BP, Hess, Wood Group, Apache, Chevron, Anadarko, Shell, Stone, ENI) (Approximately 15 attended prior meeting.) ISN and COS attended. Beginning in June, Alexis agreed to API chair a Work Group. The group is using a matrix of commonality created by ISN. Hopefully API Work Group and T-8 Task Force will blend into one. Alexis distributed a

New Business

Laurie Knape with Apache wanted to remind Contractors to following SEMS 2 requirements concerning SWA. It is the UWA that it is the proper person to initiate restart of the job. Following an SWA situation, it is not the lead for Contractor, even if they were the one who stopped the job.

Houston Area Research Council – HARC has begun onshore and rig awareness level module. They received grant money and will be producing a module for offshore. They are requested Operator /Contractor input. Would also like Operator / Contractors to review for accuracy. Volunteers / Companies would be recognized in the credits. For more info contact: Andrew Wilcox at HARC.

Testing Out options were discussed. Agreed initial SafeGulf should not have a test out option. Considering electrical (CBT) training, provided it meets all expectations.

Action Items

Update website and put up the curriculum criteria, current board, minutes, and site analytics.

Seeking volunteers for working on website. Next meeting at IADC from 8 to 12. Web committee meeting after to ensure uploads. Edie with Versa Integrity agreed to sponsor lunch.

Edie also volunteered to be on committee for rewrite "Guidance Document."

treasurer's report

Treasurer – Gene Barfield, CSP

| | April 2016 |
|------------------------|--------------------|
| General Fund | \$12,410.78 |
| Scholarship Fund | \$ 2,597.27 |
| Savings Account..... | \$82,270.45 |
| TOTAL..... | \$97,278.50 |