



gulf coast safety & training group

newsletter

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

notice of meeting

When: Friday, March 10, 2017

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 cash or checks. We are NOT
set up for credit cards.)*

RSVP Required by Thursday, March 9th, at 11:00 a.m.
You must RSVP to attend!
Email RSVP to genebarf@lusfiber.net

meeting agenda

07:30 - 08:00 Registration, Continental Breakfast
08:00 - 08:30 Welcome & Self Introductions
08:30 - 08:45 Committee Reports – Science Fair Winners
Presentations
08:45 - 09:00 Networking / Break
09:00 - 09:45 **Topic 1: “How Telemedicine Can Be Used to
Enhance Employee Wellness”**
Speaker: Thomas J. Falterman MD (See Bio below)
Company: Pharma-Safe Companies

09:45 - 10:00 Networking / Break
10:00 - 10:45 **Topic 2: “3rd Leading Cause of Deaths in the US -
Stroke Prevention”**
Speaker: Michelle Shirley, ASP (See Bio below)
Company: Versa Integrity Group, Inc.

10:45 - 11:00 Networking / Break
11:00 - Until Round Table Discussion - Members seek solutions
to safety concerns and share experiences
Door Prize Drawing
Lunch and Continued Networking or Adjourn

Thomas J. Falterman MD

Thomas J. Falterman MD of Jeanerette, LA is a 1994 graduate of LSU Baton Rouge with a BS in Zoology. Dr. Falterman attended LSU School of Medicine in New Orleans from 1996 to 2000. He completed a 5 year combined residency in Emergency and Internal Medicine in 2005 at LSU Health Sciences Center in New Orleans. Dr. Falterman has been the Medical Director of the Emergency Department at L.J. Chabert Medical center in Houma, Louisiana to present. He is a part time ER physician at Iberia Medical Center in New Iberia, Louisiana and Franklin Foundation Hospital in Franklin, Louisiana. Dr. Falterman has been Medical Director of the Louisiana division of Priority 1 Air Rescue from 2010- present. He current program manager of Worldwide Telemedicine, LLC, based out of Houma, LA.

Michelle Shirley, ASP

Michelle joined the US Navy in 1987 as a Construction Electrician with the Navy Seabees. She got her introduction to the safety field while stationed at Pearl Harbor, Hawaii, as a facility safety inspector. She received an Associate of Science degree in Occupational Safety & Health Administration in 1999. Michelle has worked with the Metropolitan Safety Council as a Safety Assistant, then as the Safety Coordinator for CP Louisiana, Inc., a local manufacturer of 55-gallon steel drums, where she managed the Safety, HazMat & RCRA Programs. She has also worked as a Disaster Housing Inspector for FEMA. In 2007, she returned to the New Orleans area and worked as the Gulf West Area Safety Representative and then as Corporate Safety Coordinator with Ameri-Force, Inc., a temporary employment agency providing skilled labor for the maritime and shipyard industries. During her 6 years with Ameri-Force, she became one of the first OSHA Authorized Maritime Outreach Instructors and achieved certification as an NCCER Master Trainer. For the past 4 years, she has worked as the SH & E Compliance Representative for Versa Integrity Group, who provide Non-Destructive Testing in the Oil & Gas Industry. During this time, she has also achieved her ASP Certification. Michelle has developed several training presentations, including “After the Fall, the importance of Fall Rescue Plans” and “Stroke Recognition and Prevention”, which have been presented in several venues, including Safety Forums for Client jobsites, Delta Safety Society, American Society of Safety Engineers – ASSE chapter meetings and for local Occupational Safety & Health Administration staff. During her career, she has maintained memberships in and served in leadership positions in several safety organizations, including serving as President of the Delta Safety Society, as an advisory member of the National Safety Council, and as Secretary, Vice President & President for the New Orleans and California Arrowhead Chapters of the American Society of Safety Engineers - A.S.S.E.

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The meeting was called to order on January 13, 2017 at 8:08 a.m. 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 for our US Military. Committee Reports were presented then everyone introduced themselves.

Gordon reminded everyone that this is a safety group and no sales/marketing solicitation allowed. Gordon also reminded the group that GCS&T is always looking for volunteers and officers 2017.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Membership / Crawfish Boil Report, Gene Barfield

- 213 members currently
- Attendance is up from last meeting.
- February is the deadline to pay dues.
- Meeting fees will be going back up next meeting.
- Crawfish Boil will be May 11, 2017 at Crawfish Time USA.

Science Fair 2016, Leonard Nederveld

Getting ready for the Science Fair in 2017. There was one presentation on "Sunlight's Effects on Color."

Safe Gulf, Edie Tranchina (Michelle Shirley)

Next Safe Gulf Board meeting is scheduled for January 22nd at Shell Roberts. Topics to be discussed are; Guidance Documents and SafeGulf Accreditation. Operators are encouraged to attend.

Regulatory Affairs, David Dykes

David was not present however Gordon advised that the Regulatory Affairs Report is 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, Nic McCormic

ASQ is looking for a Risk Management Speaker for the February 9th Meeting.

Scholarship Activities, Gene Barfield / Tiffany Hebert

The scholarship fund has been deactivated.

Nominations & Elections, Gordon Ganaway

Officer nomination will be June/July.

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1st Guest Speaker – H. “Butch” Browning, La. State Fire Marshall, “Overview of Louisiana Fire Marshall Office and The Agency’s Interaction with Industry.”

- In 1965 the NFPA code was developed and the Fire Marshall selected to enforce the law.
- In 1967 ADA was added to the code.
- Louisiana has a statewide standardized code.
- NFPA codes are written for the world to use.
- Louisiana has streamlined their technology and resource since Butch started office.

2nd Guest Speaker – Chuck Simpson, CSP - WorkSafe International “OSHA Recordkeeping” & “Hazard Recognition and the Limits of Human Perception.”

- 2016 Reporting Requirements
- Rapid Response Investigations
- 2016 Recordkeeping Changes
- Compliance Schedule
- Anti-retaliation protections
- Common Errors

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GCST&G Science Fair Committee Report March 10, 2017

The Science Fairs for New Orleans, Houma/Thibodaux and Lafayette have all been judged. Thanks to the chairs and all those that volunteered to judge.

Unfortunately we did not participate in the Houston Regional Fair this year due to a lack of volunteers to judge. This is the second year that we have a lack of interest in judging this fair and if there is not any interest next year we may discontinue judging for Houston.

The information for the fairs we judged is given below.

Region	Chair(s)	Judges	Winners
New Orleans	Kent Bordelon	TBA	Anthony Rhodes: Within Arms Reach Marc Graffeo: How Your Mind Reacts Kylee Olsen: Are we secretly Drinking Toxins Reagan Peters-Roussell: Gender and Short Term Memory Micah Baamonde: Can the Peak Force of a Ball Impacting the Ground Be Predicted Andrew Pitari: Does Fireproofing Industrial Protective Clothing Reduce the Ignitability Time Megan Kihnel: Helping the Handicapped Become More Handy Garret Wallow: How Safe Is the Water You Drink
Lafayette	Danny Viator	Ryan Lasseigne, Scotty Boudreaux, Buddy White, and Leonard Nederveld. Danny Viator	Gracie Mouton: Can You Hear Now? Are we killing our ears? Gracie Matt: The Pampered House Hannah Evans: Electrolyte Challenge: Sports Drinks vs. Orange Juice Michael Simon and Kaden Allemond: School Drinking Water: Is it Safe?
Houma-Thibodaux	Bill Womack and Jim Lina	TBA	Shaina Williams: The effect of Microwave Exposure on Different Organisms Claudia Martenez and Anna Kruz: Sleepy Need 22's Brandon Alleyne: Antibiotics and Resistance to Overuse Norelle Frank: Silent Killer Cardiology Disease
Houston	Chuck Praznik	None	Cancelled

At the present time Micah Baamonde and Anthony Rhodes from New Orleans and Shaina Williams from Houma Thibodaux plan to attend the March meeting.

Reagan Peters-Roussell and Andrew Pitari from New Orleans plan to attend the May meeting.

Leonard Nederveld
Science Fair Committee Chair

Round Table, Gordon Ganaway

- Reminder that the round table should be used to share and learn.
- Operators being more involved in investigations since the inception of SEMS.
- Regardless of the operator, if an incident/ink were to happen the contractor will have to use many resources for the investigation.
- Data collection websites should not take the place of auditing suppliers.
- The SEMS regulation is currently under revision.

Door Prizes

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

Next Meeting & Crawfish Boil:

Friday, May 12, 2017

Quality Report-17-03

No Report at press time.

treasurer's report	
<i>Treasurer – Gene Barfield, CSP</i>	
November 2016	
General Fund	\$78,842.81
Scholarship Fund	\$ 0.00
TOTAL: \$78,842.81	

Welcome New Members

CULLEN BROUSSARD
BAYOU COMPANIES, LLC

H. "BUTCH" BROWNING
LA STATE FIRE MARSHALL

J.B. GLASS, MBA, CET, CHST
AQUEOS CORPORATION

PETE MORENO
PHARMA-SAFE INDUSTRIAL SERVICES

WILLIAM MUELLER
PHARMA-SAFE INDUSTRIAL SERVICES

SafeGulf Report for March 10 Meeting:

The last SafeGulf meet at Shell's Robert Training Center. In addition to the development of an audit Protocol Spreadsheet, Guidance Document updates include:

- General membership, which means that GSC&TG will be classified as an *Industry Organizations – An entity, such as non-profits and learning organizations, that supports the offshore oil and gas activities to promote HSSE.*
- *A quorum must be met for voting. [Chairperson, Laurie Knape] suggests identifying voting quorum as 2/3's of the membership with at least 50% of voting Operators must be present.*

Membership Document updates include:

- *[Chairperson, Laurie Knape] suggests limiting our [Membership] classifications two classifications: Executive Board (Voting) and Non-voting members (participating visitors).*
- *Executive Committee (voting members) – The committee shall have a maximum of 15 members. Membership shall be amassed of operators, accrediting bodies, contractors and industry organizations.*
 - o 6 Operators
 - o 3 Accrediting bodies
 - o 3 Contractors
 - o 3 Industry Organizations
- *Term of Office – Officers shall hold office for a term of two (2) years beginning in January or until their successors are elected. Individuals shall not serve in the same office position for more than two consecutive terms.*

Next meeting is April 27th and the location has not been determined.



membership report

Category	Count
Air Service Companies	1
Associations	2
Contractor Production Operators	11
Diving Service Companies.....	3
Drilling Companies.....	1
Governmental Services.....	27
Independent Safety Consultants.....	13
Industrial Medical Services	9
Insurance Companies	1
Marine Service Companies	2
Oil/Gas Production Companies	27
Safety Equipment Suppliers	1
Safety/Training Services Companies	17
Service Companies.....	60
Support Services.....	3
Universities-Safety Training	2
Total	180

2017 Meeting Schedule

Friday, March 10, 2017
 Friday, May 12, 2017
 Friday, July 14, 2017
 Friday, September 8, 2017
 Friday, November 10, 2017

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, March 9th at 11:00am,
 to: genebarf@lusfiber.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).

from the president

Dear GCSTG members and friends,

I want to thank our membership for allowing me to serve as an officer of the Gulf Coast Safety and Training Group again. I consider this a privilege when you look back at the dedicated individuals who have served as officers in the past. It's an opportunity to contribute to an organization that has done so much for me in the past. When I joined the GCSTG in 1989, I had just become the HSE Director for an offshore/onshore construction company and was overwhelmed by the task at hand. The GCSTG was one of the organizations that provided me with the resources and networking contacts I needed to meet the challenge. Although I realize that in this internet driven age, information is readily available online, I also believe that it does not replace the value of face to face networking that groups like ours provide.

One of my goals this year will be to get more of our membership involved. The benefits derived from serving on a committee or as an officer far exceed the work involved. Along those lines, I would like to recognize our two newest officers who I hope will be instrumental in leading our group in the years to come. Edie Tranchina, has done an exceptional job as our representative to the Safe Gulf Advisory Group and in addition is now serving as our President Elect. Edie has been working diligently on our speaker slate for the coming year. Nic McCormick has done an exceptional job in reviving and leading our Quality committee in recent years. In addition, Nic is currently also serving as our Secretary this year. Tiffany Hebert continues to serve as our Treasurer and also serves as our Scholarship chairperson. Her efforts are greatly appreciated. Finally, I would like to recognize and thank Gene Barfield who serves as our Administrator. Over the years, Gene has done so much for this group. His guidance and efforts over the years are truly the foundation that the GCSTG is built upon.

In our continuing efforts to meet membership needs, the executive committee plans to bring you quality speakers who can address current issues. Some of the topics that will be presented this year are:

OSHA as related to the Trump Administration
 SEMS
 JSA BEST Practices - Panel to include Operators

In closing, if I can assist you in any way, please do not hesitate to contact me.

L. J. "Jim" Gunter, CSP
 JG Safety & Training Specialists
 GCSTG President