



AMERICAN SOCIETY OF
SAFETY PROFESSIONALS

Permian Basin Chapter

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PRESIDENT'S LETTER

Happy March All!

A lot has happened so far in 2021, including an unprecedented & prolonged February ice storm that resulted in a major disaster declaration by Governor Greg Abbott, forcing most Texans to shelter in place and take refuge from the brutal, single digit weather. Already diminished from 12 months of Covid restrictions, our utility members were the most severely impacted with wide-spread water distribution and collection system failures, frozen gas processing & delivery equipment, and overwhelmed electric generation plants and downed power lines resulting in widespread power outages. Utility providers worked nonstop, rising to the occasion in the face of adversity and restoring many of the delivery systems the same week. I pray that you and yours were safe, warm, and healthy during those times and now.

I have to confess, if you had asked me last year, would we still be in the midst of a pandemic and all that comes with that a year later, I would have guessed no. One thing I did know, and it still holds true today is that our industry is

resilient. Our industry has not only remained active, but we have also remained committed to all aspects of safety.

I thank you for being you and for doing what you do. Stay Strong. Stay Safe and Stay Healthy.

Sincerely,

Ketha Molina

Permian Basin Chapter President



UPCOMING EVENTS

March Permian Basin Virtual Meeting

Topic: Communication and the Media

Guest Speaker: James "Skipper" Kendrick, CSP, CIT, FASSP

President, Kendrick Global Enterprises, LLC

Wednesday, May 17th, from 12 pm - 1 pm (CST)

Please join the meeting from your computer, tablet or smartphone.

<https://www.gotomeet.me/KethaMolina/permian-basin-general-meeting>

You can also dial in using your phone.

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Access Code: 959-463-093

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Speaker Bio:

Named by Occupational Hazards magazine as one of the most influential safety leaders and as a member of Industrial Safety and Hygiene News Power 101, James "Skipper" Kendrick, CSP has vast experience in the disciplines of management, safety, education and training. Skipper is President of Kendrick Global Enterprises, LLC, founded with the mission of helping organizations achieve continual improvement through utilization of solid principles, processes and systems.

He is a Professional Member of the American Society of Safety Professionals (ASSP), a Certified Safety Professional (CSP) and a Certified Instructional Trainer (CIT).

Skipper is the recipient of ASSP's highest award, that of Society Fellow (FASSP) as well as Safety Professional of the Year Award at the Society, Regional and Chapter levels. Further recognition includes that of being named National Safety Trainer of the Year.

April Permian Basin Virtual Meeting April is National Safe Digging Month!

Speaker: Ruben D' Mendez

Wednesday, April 21st, from 12 pm - 1 pm (CST)

May Permian Basin Virtual Meeting

Topic: Depression and Mental Health Impact to the Organization

Speaker: Matt Clarke, CSHM, CHST, SMS, CSHO, CRIS, SSH

Wednesday, May 19th, from 12 pm - 1 pm (CST)

Missed a meeting? Our virtual meetings are recorded and posted on the [ASSP Permian Basin Chapter site under Files](#)

Our regular general chapter meeting is on the 3rd Wednesday of each month. Like and follow our page for upcoming events and links for the virtual general meetings.

SOCIETY NEWS

Get Answers To All Your Safety Training Questions!

Free webinar on Friday, March 19th at 11 am CT.

Looking for new ideas to improve your safety training? Join experts Abby Ferri, Regina McMichael, Tim Page-Bottorff, Daniel Snyder and Linda Tapp. You'll hear topics about your material, timing, tone and delivery; gather insights for conducting a needs assessment; and participate in a lively Q&A.

[Register Now!](#)

[Safety News You Need: OSHA Top 10](#)

This week's Safety News You Need highlights OSHA's Top 10 citations for FY 2020; how advancements in respirator technology are improving worker health; and more.

EDUCATION OPPORTUNITIES

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0.10 CEU

March 18, 2021

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0.70 CEU

April 27, 2021

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Live Virtual Classroom: ASP Exam Prep

2.10 CEU

April 28, 2021 - April 30, 2021

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