



AMERICAN SOCIETY OF
SAFETY PROFESSIONALS

Permian Basin Chapter

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PRESIDENT'S LETTER

ASSP Permian Basin Chapter – Welcome to the 2026–2027 Chapter Year

As we begin a new ASSP chapter year, I am honored to continue serving alongside such a dedicated community of safety professionals. On behalf of the ASSP Permian Basin Chapter leadership team, welcome to what promises to be another year of learning, networking, professional growth, and advancing our shared mission of creating safer workplaces throughout the Permian Basin and beyond.

The start of a new chapter year is an opportunity to reflect on our accomplishments while looking ahead to new possibilities. Safety is more than a profession, it is a commitment to protecting people, strengthening organizations, and positively impacting our communities. Every day, our members influence the lives of workers, families, and businesses through their dedication to occupational health and safety excellence.

This year, our focus will be centered on three key priorities:

Professional Development

We will continue providing valuable educational opportunities through monthly meetings, technical presentations, and professional development events. Whether you are a seasoned safety leader or new to the profession, our goal is to deliver relevant content that helps you grow your knowledge, strengthen your leadership abilities, and stay current with emerging industry trends.

Member Engagement

The strength of our chapter comes from its members. We encourage everyone to become involved by attending meetings, participating in chapter activities, volunteering on committees, and sharing expertise with fellow professionals. Meaningful connections often lead to new ideas, mentorship opportunities, career growth, and stronger safety outcomes across our region.

Community Impact

As safety professionals, we have a unique opportunity to influence not only our workplaces but also our communities. Throughout the year, we will look for ways to support workforce development, promote safety awareness, and encourage the next generation of safety leaders. By working together, we can help cultivate a stronger culture of safety throughout the Permian Basin.

I would also like to extend a sincere thank you to our board members, volunteers, sponsors, and chapter supporters. Your commitment and service make it possible for our chapter to thrive. Your willingness to share time, resources, and expertise directly impacts the value we provide to our members.

As we move forward into this new chapter year, I encourage each of you to challenge yourself to learn something new, build new professional relationships, and actively contribute to our chapter's success. The safety profession continues to evolve, and together we can lead that transformation by fostering collaboration, innovation, and continuous improvement.

I look forward to seeing each of you at our upcoming chapter meetings and events. Thank you for your continued support of the ASSP Permian Basin Chapter and for the work you do every day to keep people safe.

Together, we are advancing the safety profession and making a difference where it matters most.

Stay safe and stay engaged,

Heather Ferrell, CSP

President, ASSP Permian Basin Chapter

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MEMBERSHIP UPDATES

New Members

- John Appleton, GSP
- Gage Wood
- Justin Duncan, STS

Long Service Recognition of Chapter Members

- Franklin Anderson, 25 years
- Rolando Cedillo, 25 years
- Leonard Tartalone, 25 years
- Jeffery Cupples, 40 years
- Delbert Holland, 40 years
- Jerry Smith, 40 years

UPCOMING EVENTS

July Social Happy Hour

Thursday, July 23rd from 4:00 PM – 8:00 PM, Tall City Brewing Co., 3303 W. Golf Course Rd., Midland, TX 79703

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

We are always looking to network and find out if there are job openings. The jobs must be in an Environment, Health and Safety function. For example: Fleet Safety Manager, Director of Environmental, Health and Safety, Risk Manager, etc.

We will post the jobs to our website at permianbasin.assp.org. This is done currently at no charge, but the chapter is always accepting donations to help establish our scholarship fund. Your contribution is appreciated.

[Visit the ASSP Permian Basin Chapter Jobs Website Page](#)

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