

Bay Area Environmental Safety Group

Essentials of Implementing Emergency Response Teams January 21 meeting

Inside this issue:

Michael Sheehan and Randy White, of Life Safety Associates, will discuss the Essentials of Implementing Emergency Response Teams in Industry.

Specific issues to be addressed include:

Quick overview of an effective ERT infrastructure,

ERT member selection process, (there are other options than volunteers),

How many ERT members are enough,

On training, when's enough, enough—OSHA and your ERT—training requirements, what's real and what's not,

ERT steering committee, - plus and minus

ERT retention, setting the bar high or not at all

ERT Maintenance, recordkeeping and management

Getting mid-managers buy-in to have their employees part of an ERT

Meeting Times and Location: 11:30-1:00pm Embassy Suites, 2885 Lakeview Dr, Santa Clara, ca 95054, 408-496-6400. The hotel is highly visible from US 101 north and southbound. Exit Great America Parkway/Bowers Ave and go south. Turn right on Augustine Dr and right on Lakeview Dr. The hotel is on the right. Be sure to **RSVP**.

Reservations can be made by clicking on the following link or send an email to BAESGreservation@aol.com

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President's Corner by Scott Norman

2004 PDC Planning Committee

A kick-off meeting for the 2004 PDC planning committee

will be held Thursday, January 15, 2004, El Toritos on Lakeview Drive in Santa Clara. (Just around the

corner from the Embassy Suites). We will meet at

5:30pm in the Cantina for appetizers and drinks.

This initial meeting will be to organize the planning committee and elect a chair to lead the

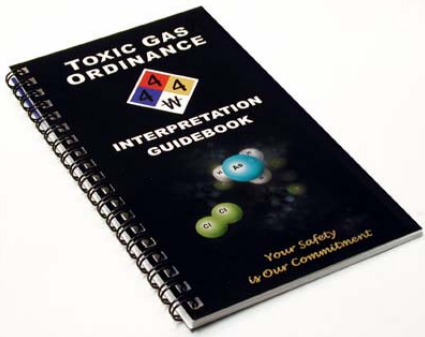
group. If you want to participate but cannot attend this meeting, please contact Scott Norman, at 408 822-8109 or normans@eorm.com.

Menu Choices

- ↓ Mexican Buffet:
- ↓ Fresh Salad Greens,
- ↓ Bean and Corn Salad,
- ↓ Chicken Enchiladas,
- ↓ Cheese Enchiladas,
- ↓ Beef Fajitas,
- ↓ Spanish Rice,
- ↓ Whole Pinto Bacon Beans,
- ↓ Warm Flour Tortillas,
- ↓ Salsa and Guacamole,
- ↓ Mexican Flan Dessert,
- ↓ Cinnamon Churros

Toxic Gas Ordinance Interpretive Guidebook

Copies of the new Toxic Gas Ordinance Interpretive Guidebook will be raffled off to about 10% of those attending the January meeting. This guidebook, a \$25 value, is offered courtesy of TGO Solutions.



New ANSI Standard for Industrial Head Protection

For the first time, a U.S. standard includes specifications for industrial helmets designed to offer protection from a lateral impact.

The standard, ANSI Z87.1-1997 retains the performance requirements for helmets offering top impact protection. This gives employers and users the flexibility to specify the helmet that best meets the needs of their specific workplace.

Industrial head protective helmets meeting the requirements of this standard are classified by both type and class differently than in the past. The old designations Type 1 (hats) and Type 2 (caps) are no longer used. Performance requirements for the new Type I helmet are equivalent to those specified in the 1986 revision. Thus, any helmets meeting the requirements of ANSI Z89.1-1986 should meet the requirements for Type I in this revision.

President's Corner—Continued

Call for Presentations: The BAESG Board has tentatively scheduled the second annual PDC in September 2004 at Mission College. If you are interested in presenting at the 2004 PDC, please provide your name, contact information, and proposed topic below.

Call for Volunteers: The success of next year's PDC depends on a team of volunteers. If you would like to participate on the 2004 PDC plan-

ning committee, please provide your name and contact information below.

Call for Sponsors: If your organization would like to sponsor the PDC and a scholarship next year, please provide your name and contact information below.

BAESG kick-off meeting for 2004 PDC January 15, 2004 El Toritos on Lakeview in Santa Clara 5:30pm contact Scott Norman 408-822-8109 or Normans@eorm.com

Please include me in the 2004 BAESG Professional Development Conference in the following capacity.

Check one:

2004 PDC presenter () topic _____

2004 PDC planning committee ()

2004 PDC & scholarship sponsor ()

Name: _____ email: _____

Company name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Time to renew your BAESG membership!

It's time for your annual BAESG membership renewal, at a low price that's unchanged since 1993! Everybody who enrolled or renewed as a member before September 1, 2003 needs to renew in order to enjoy the benefits of membership in 2004, including the annual membership directory, the monthly newsletter, and a 20% member's discount on our superb series of monthly meetings. Please fill out the attached application today and return to:

Membership Director

BASEG
PO Box 60363
Sunnyvale, Ca 94088-0363

Along with your check for just \$25 (\$12.50 for students and retirees).

Application on last page

BAESG is having a membership Contest!

Anybody who sponsors three or more new members wins a free one year membership!

The sponsor of the most new members (4 member minimum) will earn a free one year membership plus free admission to our February 2004 meeting!

To get credit for a sponsorship, your name must appear in the "sponsor" section of the a new member's application.

A "new member" is one who hasn't been a paid BAESG member since 2002.

The contest deadline is January 31, 2004

Dr. Strangejob or: How I Learned to Stop Worrying and Love the Layoff

This is the time of year we typically reflect on the past year and look to the future. For me, the big events in 2003 were getting laid off and then having to find a new job. Although I was fortunate and was able to find a job fairly quickly. It wasn't an easy time. I did go through a process similar to the "12 steps of grieving" and want to briefly share my experience.

For me, the two most important issues during this time were: the ability to sustain a positive outlook; and the tremendous support that I received from others.

Losing my job definitely triggered feelings of disappointment and insecurity. It would have been easy to feel sorry for myself, which would be a big distraction. Maintaining a positive attitude was instru-

mental to my being able to focus during this time. Resources, such as outplacement workshops, and career guide-books/websites also helped (see <http://www.martynemko.com>).

The support that I received from others was a big factor in sustaining a positive mind-set. The backing from friends and family provided an emotional uplift, but it was the outpouring of support from colleagues that helped me persevere my confidence and optimism. This came from coworkers and the network of EHS professionals that I've fostered thus far in my career. This network is not centered on job searching, but rather on information sharing. The benefits of this participation succeed best when it involves giving, not just accepting. Lastly, but most importantly, this network did not ap-

pear overnight. It took time to grow and was assisted via involvement in professional organizations such as BAESG.

So, as you reflect on 2003 and deliberate your resolutions for 2004, I have a recommendation: increase your participation in BAESG (and other sister organizations). You'll receive dividends, whether help in finding/changing jobs, or in seeing another's perspective on finding solutions to workplace safety issues-but only if you take an active role.

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The Bay Area Environmental Safety Group is a business league with the interest of serving the professional working in Silicon Valley and the Greater San Francisco Bay Area.

The BAESG was established in the early 1980's to fill a void that other safety-related associations were unable to satisfy.

Officers of the BAESG are committed to meeting the needs of environmental protection, occupational and public health, emergency preparedness, and safety professionals.

Each month, luncheon meetings are planned featuring speakers who have something to offer the EH&S professionals and the companies and organizations for which they serve.

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New Web Portal Launched for Environmental Technology Opportunities

To promote governmental and private programs that provide incentives for developing cost-effective environmental technologies (Energy Star, Green Chemistry, Design for Living), EPA recently launched the Environmental Technology Opportunities Portal (ETOP). The ETOP network has a single portal page and associated tools, including central database searches, notifications of new funding opportunities and updates from the ETOP list serve.

The Environmental Technology Opportunities Portal (ETOP) links you to programs that help fund development of new environmental technologies and offers information on existing environmental technologies.

EPA offers several programs to assist the public and private sectors in developing and commercial-

izing new environmental technologies. This is done through financial, testing and verification support, and by promoting use and acceptance of a technology through collaborative, incentive, partnership and advocacy, and information programs

For more information visit <http://www.epa.gov/etop/>

BAESG MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Please complete this form and attach membership dues. Annual membership dues are \$25.00. (\$12.50 for full-time students and retired EH&S professionals). Make your check payable to **BAESG** and return with this application to:

Membership Director
Bay Area Environmental Safety Group
P. O. Box 60363
Sunnyvale, CA 94088-0363

Personal Information and Company Address (to be listed in the Membership Directory)

Name: _____

Full-time Student? Yes ___ No ___

Certifications (such as CIH, CSP) _____

Job Title (or field of study): _____

Company (or College/University): _____

Address: _____

City, State, and ZIP CODE: _____

Daytime Phone (with area code): _____ FAX: _____

Email address: _____

Sponsor: _____

Monthly newsletters will be sent to the above email address.

Areas of Interest:

Please indicate any areas of special interest that you would like to see covered during the monthly meetings, or topics that you would be interested in presenting.

TOPIC: _____

PRESENTING? Yes ___ No ___

Job Opportunities

Univ. of North Carolina	Ergonomist	(919) 962-2991 or http://www.jobs.unc.edu
Emilcott Associates Chatham, New Jersey	EHS Professionals	Attn: HR Coordinator 466 Southern Blvd Chatham, NJ 07928 Fax: 973-765-0994 info@emilcott.com
Univ. of Ca—Santa Cruz	Safety Program Manager	Http://jobs.ucsc.edu/jobpostings/index.cfm?fuseaction=description&ID=651&Job_Number=03-11-38
Eaton Corporation Eden Prairie MN Hire Diversity	EHS Engineer	Http://email.hbinc.com/n.asp?=715929
Eaton Corp Galesburg MI Hire Diversity	EHS Professional	Http://email.hbinc.com/n.asp?=715930
Eaton Corp Cleveland, OH Hire Diversity	EHS & Security Group Mgr	Http://email.hbinc.com/n.asp?=715898
Eaton Corp Mountain Home AR Hire Diversity	Wrapper	Http://email.hbinc.com/n.asp?=716030
United Rentals Chicago, Ill Hire Diversity	Branch Manger	Http://email.hbinc.com/n.asp?=719205
United Rentals Las Vegas, NV Hire Diversity	Branch Manager	Http://email.hbinc.com/n.asp?=715737
United Rentals Hesperia, Ca Hire Diversity	Branch Manager	Http://email.hbinc.com/n.asp?=715736
John Deere Ottumwa, IA Hire Dirversity	Supervisor Production	Http://email.hbinc.com/n.asp?=719652
Federal Aviation Administration Juneau or Anchorage AK Hire Diversity	Aviation Safety Inspector	Http://email.hbinc.com/n.asp?=717173
Weyerhaeuser New Bern, NC Hire Diversity	Green End Day Shift Coordinator	Http://email.hbinc.com/n.asp?=719495