

# AMERICAN SOCIETY OF SAFETY PROFESSIONALS



## WELCOME

# Holiday Social

## Save the Date!

ASSP Gulf Coast Holiday Social  
Thursday, December 3, 2020  
4:00 - 7:00 PM CST

**Cadillac Bar**

1802 Shepherd Dr, Houston Texas 77007  
\*temps will be checked at the door

Come out and join us, RSVP Details coming soon!



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**Got Questions?  
Contact Us**

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## Professional Development

**Energy Corridor Section**Date: December 10<sup>th</sup>, 2020

Time: 11:30-12:30 pm

Location: Virtual Zoom Meeting

Speaker: Kendra Newton

Topic: Kendra Newton is an experienced Territory Manager who provides knowledge, expertise and tools you need to be compliant, product and safe. Over the last 19 years she has helped businesses stay ahead of industry trends, regulatory changes and has helped them achieve compliance with Lockout Tagout. She has demonstrated a history of working with a diverse range of clients including several Fortune 500 companies. Other critical Life-Saving safety objectives she can help with include Arc Flash, Confined Space, Hazard Communication, Slips, Trips & Falls and Facility Identification

**Gulf Coast Chapter**Date: December 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2020

Time: 11:30-12:30 pm

Location: Virtual Zoom Meeting

Speaker: Mark Hernandez

Topic: Mark. A Hernandez is passionate about equipping leaders who will Serve People & Accelerate Performance. Mark is the only person with over 20 years of experience, who worked for OSHA for 12 years and, an Independent Certified John Maxwell Speaker, Trainer, and Coach. Mark has been blessed to been equipped by the foremost experts in leadership, public speaking, and high performance and would love the opportunity to team up with your organization to create sustainable success. Mark will inform, challenge, and inspire your organization to create new level of performance.



## Lost your Job?

ASSP is here to help anyway that we can, please reach out!

### Support for Out of Work Members

- ASSP has a **hardship membership program** available to members who have lost their jobs
  - Members can contact ASSP Customer Service at [customerservice@assp.org](mailto:customerservice@assp.org) or +1-847-699-2929 to learn more
- Encourage members who have lost a job to continue to check the **ASSP Career Center** for job openings at [jobs.assp.org](http://jobs.assp.org)

## Professional Development

Houston Area Safety Council free webinars - <https://www.hasc.com/colvid-19/>

Free Safety Training Classes - <https://www.com.edu/gcsi/free-training>

**LOOKING TO ADVANCE YOUR CAREER?**

VISIT ASSP's JOB BOARD!  
<http://jobs.assp.org>



## Holiday Safety Tips

**For more information: go to [nsc.org](http://nsc.org)**

- Keep potentially poisonous plants – mistletoe, holly berries, Jerusalem cherry and amaryllis – away from children
- If using an artificial tree, check that it is labeled “fire resistant”
- If using a live tree, cut off about 2 inches of the trunk to expose fresh wood for better water absorption, remember to water it and remove it from your home when it is dry
- Place your tree at least 3 feet away from fireplaces, radiators and other heat sources, making certain not to block doorways
- Avoid placing breakable ornaments or ones with small, detachable parts on lower tree branches where small children can reach them
- Only use indoor lights indoors and outdoor lights outdoors, and choose the right ladder for the task when hanging lights
- Replace light sets that have broken or cracked sockets, frayed or bare wires, or loose connections
- Follow the package directions on the number of light sets that can be plugged into one socket
- Never nail, tack or stress wiring when hanging lights and keep plugs off the ground away from puddles and snow
- Turn off all lights and decorations when you go to bed or leave the house

**Use of candles and fireplaces, combined with an increase in the amount of combustible, seasonal decorations in many homes during the holidays, means more risk for fire**

- Place candles where they cannot be knocked down or blown over and out of reach of children.
- Keep matches and lighters up high and out of reach for children in a locked cabinet.
- Use flameless, rather than lighted, candles near flammable objects.
- Don't burn trees, wreaths or wrapping paper in the fireplace.
- Use a screen on the fireplace at all times when a fire is burning.
- Never leave candles or fireplaces burning unattended or when you are asleep.
- Check and clean the chimney and fireplace area at least once a year

**Gifts and toys should inspire joy, not cause injuries. More than a quarter of a million children were seriously injured in toy-related incidents in 2017.**

- Toys are age-rated for safety, not for children’s intellect and physical ability, so be sure to choose toys in the correct age range
- Choose toys for children under 3 that do not have small parts which could be choking hazards
- For children under 10, avoid toys that must be plugged into an electrical outlet
- Be cautious about toys that have button batteries or magnets, which can be harmful or fatal if swallowed
- When giving scooters and other riding toys, give the gift of appropriate safety gear, too; helmets should be worn at all times and they should be sized to fit

Stay safe this holiday season!

