

August/September 2006

# The Beanpot



Newsletter of the American Society of Safety Engineers  
Greater Boston Massachusetts Chapter

## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

By Remi Fleurette

During a recent family trip, my daughter expressed her desire to ride on the roller coaster. I explained to her that once the bar was down, we were on for the entire ride and that we could not stop the coaster until we got to the end. My daughter thought for a moment, looked at the long, blue curving track that lay on the hill above us, and watched as the cars roared by us on their way to the finishing house. A wry smile appeared on her face and then she said "I want to do this".

My experience with my daughter got me to thinking about my upcoming year as President of the Greater Boston Chapter. The bar was brought down across my lap when I was elected President. I took the slow ride up the first hill as I served as President Elect always aware of the steep descent awaiting me. Many people traveled the track before me and shared their experiences; but, all of them informed me that I could never really appreciate the surprises on the ride until I took the trip myself. Well, I am certainly hearing the roar of the wheels screaming down the track, feeling my stomach coming up into my throat, and noticing how my heart is racing as I head for the first turn leading to other exhilarating turns and twists to experience.

The first part of the year is underway as the Board of Directors met to conduct our annual officer orientation. The theme of the meeting was "Getting Back to Basics" based upon my vision of a year dedicated to doing the simple things well, encouraging membership participation, and ultimately making the GBC national Large Chapter of the Year once again! As with riding a roller coaster, it is always more fun riding with other friends, and I find it comforting looking around and seeing the current BOD members who are

along for the ride, hopefully with their arms up in the air and not with their hands covering their eyes!

Looking ahead at the first turn I see the 7th annual Beanpot Open Scholarship Golf Open, more affectionately known as BOSGO. The BOSGO is scheduled for September 21, 2006 at the New England Country Club in Bellingham, MA. Currently we are seeking hole and contest sponsors, donations for the raffle, and most importantly PLAYERS! Anyone who has participated in the past knows that the BOSGO offers a spectacular day for both golfers and non-golfers alike. Players range from those who have never played who come for the camaraderie and try golf, to those that only play at the BOSGO, and finally those who play consistently and come to win. No matter why you are playing, you are guaranteed to have a great day at NECC. Anyone interested in participating should go to the website [assebos-ton.com](http://assebos-ton.com) to complete a registration form. I look forward to seeing you there.

Our first technical meeting is just over the next rise. On October 19<sup>th</sup> we will be holding a technical meeting "Benefits of Electrical System Preventative Maintenance and NFPA 70E Overview. Many of our members are dealing with the challenges of implementing the requirements of NFPA 70E, and hopefully people will come away from this meeting with some ideas to bring back to their workplace. In addition to this, it is an opportunity to reconnect with old friends and the Chapter.

There is a long year ahead of us, but as with everything else in life the ride will most likely seem to race past. As the year passes, there will be screams, laughs and breathless moments. The ride will be the experience, but the fun will be sharing it and recounting every twist, turn, rise and fall. Let's enjoy the ride!

*The Greater Boston Chapter of the  
American Society of Safety Engineers  
presents...*



## BOSGO VII

*(BEANPOT OPEN SCHOLARSHIP GOLF OUTING)*

THURSDAY SEPTEMBER 21, 2006  
Begins at 8:30 AM ~ Scramble Format

Join us for a day of golfing, camaraderie, and fun at our Seventh Annual BOSGO!

**WHERE:** The New England Country Club (NECC) Bellingham, Massachusetts - a beautiful location, easily accessible from Rte 495. The scenic NECC is one of the best-conditioned public courses in New England. This award winning Hale Irwin designed course has been the site of the qualifying tournaments such as the Senior PGA Tour, US Junior Amateur, US Amateur, US Senior Open and over 100 Tournaments each year.

**INCLUDED IN THE PACKAGE:** Three ball sleeve of golf balls, 18 holes of golf and cart equipped with GPS yardage system, lunch (banquet to follow), and prizes for the top three teams. The event provides a great opportunity to enjoy a round of golf at a top club with your safety colleagues.

Event limited to the maximum 144 golfers  
(First registered & paid)

Registration Fee *Until* August 25 2006:  
• \$135.00 for individuals, \$500.00 for foursomes

Registration Fee *After* August 26, 2006:  
• \$150.00 for individuals, \$600.00 for foursomes

Please make checks payable to "Greater Boston Chapter ASSE"

Tourney Sponsorships Now Available!

*Net proceeds will benefit the Greater Boston Chapter ASSE scholarship fund.*



## GBC Recognized as Chapter of the Year

The Society presented the ASSE Chapter of the Year Award to one chapter representing each of three categories: small, medium and large. The 2004-05 recipients are [South Carolina Chapter](#) (small); [Triad Chapter](#) (medium); and [Greater Boston Chapter](#) (large). The annual award recognizes the chapter's efforts to promote a safe workplace and environment for its members and the community. Awards were presented at Safety 2006 in Seattle, WA.

Chapters are categorized by the number of members in each chapter or section; large have more than 350 members, medium have 201 to 349 members and small have fewer than 200 members. Winning chapters receive a \$1,000 chapter contribution and a commemorative statuette.

The Greater Boston Chapter held several technical meetings on topics such as fire investigation, ethics, mold remediation, and safety and security. The chapter also formed two new sections: the Ocean State Section and the University of Massachusetts Lowell Student Section. Furthering the student focus, the chapter encouraged its members to work with high-school teachers and students via the Massachusetts Office of Technical Assistance school mentoring program. In addition, the chapter's Beanpot Open Scholarship Golf Outing raised nearly \$4,500 for the chapter's scholarship program. David Crowley served as the 2004-05 chapter president.



## GBC Technical Meeting Announcement

**Topic:** Benefits of Electrical System Preventive Maintenance and NFPA 70E Overview

Details to come!

Visit our website for the latest information:  
[www.asseboston.com](http://www.asseboston.com)



## NATIONAL ASSE WORKSHOPS

Providence, RI

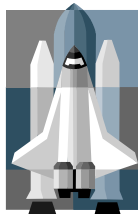
ASP August 14 - 16      CSP August 17 - 19

Cost: \$675 member/\$725 non-member.

AIHA + CHMM members get \$25 off the non-member price.

Instructors are nationally recognized Langlois, Weigand & Associates.

Visit [www.asse.org](http://www.asse.org) for more information.



## Solutions to Safety through Technology

Symposium and Mini-Expo

November 16-17, 2006  
 Scottsdale, AZ

Join ASSE in Scottsdale where the focus will be on current and emerging technology for faster, better and more-effective safety and health management.

Featuring hands-on workshops, demonstrations of innovative solutions to safety issues, leading authorities delivering general and concurrent sessions and a mini-expo of technology products and services for safety this is the event to help you solve safety issues with the help of the latest developments in the technology field.

You will learn to:

- Implement technological solutions to improve safety in your workplace
- Use new, innovative and cost-effective ways to solve the most difficult problems in safety
- Identify successful use of technology in other disciplines that have the potential for application in safety
- Operate software solutions to assist you in demonstrating the effectiveness of your safety effort
- Recognize the influence of technological innovations on safe human performance
- Reduce losses through software applications, safety process controls, human performance improvement technology, engineering applications, training and business integration technology
- Build safety into the processes in your organization that use technology

For more details please visit:

<http://www.asse.org/techsymposium/>



## Salute to Award Winners from ASSE's Greater Boston Chapter!

**PLEASE HELP TO FILL IN THE BLANKS!**

Please send any updates to this list to David Paine at [dpaine@amgen.com](mailto:dpaine@amgen.com)

### National/Division/Practice Specialty SPY Awards

Norm LaMontagne 1988-1989  
 Edgar Monsanto/McQueeney SPY Award

Phil Goldsmith 1989-1990  
 Edgar Monsanto/McQueeney SPY Award

Gary Slep 1991-1992  
 Edgar Monsanto/McQueeney SPY Award

Phil Goldsmith 1994-1995 SPY Award for the Risk Management/Insurance Division

Marcella Thompson 1998-1999 SPY Award for All Divisions Achievement Award

Marcella Thompson 1998-1999 Outstanding Service Award for the Council on Practices and Standards

John "Jack" Popp 1998-1999 Achievement Award for the International Division

John "Jack" Popp 2000-2001 SPY Award for the International Practice Specialty

David Crowley 2001-2002 SPY Award for the Management Practice Specialty

#### Regional SPY Recipients for the GBC

Richard Chutoransky	1986
Phil Goldsmith	1985
Gary Slep	1991
Bob Varnerin	1992
John Spath	2001
John "Jack" Popp	2002

#### New England Area SPY Recipients for the GBC

Adam Sotirakopoulos	2005
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#### Recipients of the GBC President's Cup

Phil Goldsmith	1979-1980
Gary Slep	1983-1984
	1984-1985
	1985-1986
	1986-1987
Bob Varnerin	1986-1987
Bob Varnerin	1987-1988
	1988-1989
	1989-1990
John "Jack" Popp	1990-1991
Christine Efstathiou	1991-1992
	1992-1993
	1993-1994
Roger Foster	1994-1995
	1995-1996
Kristin Hoffman	1996-1997
	1997-1998
	1998-1999
	1999-2000
Michael Murray	2000-2001
John Lysy	2001-2002
Michael Murray	2002-2003
Bryan Murray	2003-2004
Ed Dorgan	2004-2005
Senator Brian Joyce	2005-2006

#### GBC Chapter SPY Award Recipients

Frederick Stearns	1983-1984
Bob Varnerin	1991-1992
Dick Gordon	1992-1993
Tom Crupi	1993-1994
Joel Myerson	1994-1995
Don Olesen	1995-1996
	1996-1997
	1997-1998
John Spath	1999-2000
John "Jack" Popp	2000-2001
	2001-2002
	2002-2003
John Mroszczyk	2003-2004
Adam Sotirakopoulos	2004-2005
Eric Stager	2005-2006



### GBC By-Law Changes

Fellow Members,

Due to a motion at the Board of Directors meeting on July 26, 2006, a vote was taken to re-post the proposed By-Laws changes on the chapter website ([www.asseboston.com](http://www.asseboston.com)) to allow the membership time to review the proposed by-law changes. All members are invited to vote to approve or disapprove the proposed changes at the October Technical meeting. The recommended changes are:

Article IV, Section 5, Paragraph 3 originally stated:

Five (5) members of the Executive Committee -- at least one of whom shall be either the President, the President Elect, or the Vice President of Finance - present at a duly called meeting, shall constitute a quorum.

Article IV, Section 5, Paragraph 3 (proposed changes are underlined):

Five (5) members of the Executive Committee -- at least one of whom shall be either the President, the President Elect, or the Vice President of Finance - present (whether in person or on a conference call) at a duly called meeting, shall

constitute a quorum. Vice Presidents may identify an alternate person to represent them as long as the alternate is a member of the Board of Directors.

Thank You  
Bryan Murray  
Vice President of By-Laws/Long Rang Planning



## Alliance Creates Opportunities for CPR Instructors and Healthcare Professionals

*Submitted by David Hiltz  
Sr. Regional and Commercial Account Manager  
American Heart Association*

More and more, employers want to help their employees stay healthy, not only by maintaining work environments that are safe and prepared for medical emergencies, but also by encouraging employees to make positive lifestyle choices. Not only do the workers benefit, but so do employers who want to maximize workplace productivity.

In 2004, it was estimated that cost associated with lost productivity from death and disability due to cardiovascular disease in the United States equaled approximately \$141.7 billion. The alliance between the American Heart Association and the Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) as agreed upon in the Spring of 2004 is an excellent example of a first step toward reducing this cost. The agreement creates opportunities for CPR instructors and other healthcare professionals to build relationships with local employers while helping to spread lifesaving information and skills throughout the workforce.

"The Emergency Cardiovascular Care (ECC) programs at the American Heart Association received a great boost from this alliance," said Robin McCune, Director of National Accounts for American Heart Association ECC Programs. "The workplace is an excellent setting to disseminate our

lifesaving information and services. As this alliance grows, we hope our volunteers and affiliated CPR training centers will have many opportunities to help local employers create effective safety and health programs."

The Alliance grew out of a technical information bulletin that OSHA distributed to employers in December 2001, encouraging them to develop AED programs. OSHA approached the American Heart Association for information and training. The American Heart Association provided OSHA with AED information and materials to promote general awareness about risk prevention and reduction of heart disease.

## EDITOR'S SOAPBOX

Submitted By David Paine



## News and Notes

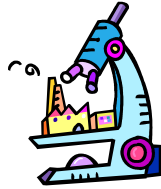
### KSU Develops Free Library of Safety Training Materials

*Submitted by Dave Crowley*

Kansas State University, with the help of the Susan Harwood Training Grant Program, has developed safety-training materials in cooperation with OSHA. They are suitable for self-study or traditional instructor led training. The material may be downloaded free of charge and reproduced as needed.

The completed training materials were originally done for the landscaping and horticultural services industry and they can be customized for any employer as needed. Among the titles available are "Mowing and Trimming Safety"; "Tractor Safety"; "tree Trimming Safety"; "Aerial Lift Safety" and "Chipper/Shredder Safety". Materials include student, supervisor and instructor information. The student work books and instruc-

tor guides are available as pdf files in English and Spanish at:  
[www.oznet.ksu.edu/agsafety/welcome.asp](http://www.oznet.ksu.edu/agsafety/welcome.asp).



### OSHA's Targeted Inspection Plan for 2006

About 4,250 high-hazard worksites are on tap for inspection under OSHA's [2006 Site-Specific Targeting Program](#), effective June 12. This year's program will initially target sites that reported 12 or more injuries or illnesses resulting in days away from work, restricted work activity, or job transfer for every 100 full-time workers (known as the DART rate). The list will also include sites that have a days away from work injury and illness (DAFWII) rate of 9 or higher. The program stems from the agency's Data Initiative for 2005, which surveyed approximately 80,000 employers to attain their injury and illness numbers for 2004.



### OSHA Administrator Delivers Keynote Address at ASSE Conference and Exposition

Calling the American Society of Safety Engineers (ASSE) "one of our nation's leading advocates for safer workplaces," Assistant Secretary of Labor for OSHA Edwin G. Foulke Jr. delivered a [keynote address](#) at the organization's 45th conference and exposition in Seattle, June 12. Foulke told safety and health professionals that one of his main goals is to "impress upon employers the need to protect their most valuable business asset - their employees" and to deliver the message that "the most effective safety and health strategy available is prevention." Foulke joined ASSE President

Jack Dobson and renewed-for the second time-the [alliance](#) signed by both organizations in December 2002.



### NIOSH Gives Notice of Misleading and Voided Respirator Approvals

*From NIOSH -*

A June 29 notice alerts users that a respirator represented by the manufacturer as NIOSH-approved has not in fact been approved by NIOSH. A June 30 notice alerts users that NIOSH has voided approvals for two other devices. View additional information at:

<http://www.cdc.gov/niosh/npptl/usernotices/>

Respirators affected are:

Crews, Inc. Models RPN951 and RPN952 Filtering Facepiece Respirators

Nano Guard Particulate Respirator as a NIOSH Approved N-95 Respirator

International Safety Devices, Inc., Air Capsule 5-Minute Emergency Escape Respirator



### NIOSH Outlines Mold Intervention Strategies after Hurricanes, Floods

*From NIOSH --*

Strategies for limiting exposures to mold and preventing mold-related health effects in the aftermath of hurricanes and storms are outlined by scientists and engineers from NIOSH and partner agencies in the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) in an article published in the June 9, 2006, issue of CDC's *Morbidity and*

*Mortality Weekly Report.* The report notes that, for most people, undisturbed mold is not a substantial health hazard. It is a greater hazard for persons with conditions such as impaired host defenses or mold allergies. To prevent exposure that could result in adverse health effects from disturbed mold, persons should 1) avoid areas where mold contamination is obvious, 2) use environmental controls, 3) use personal protective equipment, and 4) keep hands, skin, and clothing clean and free from mold-contaminated dust, the article recommends. The article is available on-line at <http://www.cdc.gov/mmwr/preview/mmwrhtml/rr5508a1.htm>.



### OSHA Announces New Safety and Health Topics Pages

From OSHA --

The [Basic Steel Products](#) Safety and Health Topics page was developed as a product of OSHA's Alliances with [The Steel Group](#) (consisting of the American Iron and Steel Institute, Specialty Steel Industry of North America, and Steel Manufacturers Association) and with the [Crane, Hoist and Monorail Manufacturers](#) (consisting of the Crane Manufacturers Association of America, Hoist Manufacturers Institute, and Monorail Manufacturers Association). The page highlights OSHA's standards, directives and standards interpretations applicable to the steel industry and identifies potential workplace hazards and possible solutions. It also provides additional resources including information on safety and health case studies and OSHA's Alliances related to the steel industry.

The [Concrete and Concrete Products - Manufacturing and Construction](#) Safety and Health Topics page was developed as a product of the [Alliance Program](#) and Strategic Partnership with the [National Ready-Mix Concrete Association](#). The page highlights OSHA standards, compliance directives, and standards interpretations related to manufacturing and construction in the concrete and concrete products industry. It also includes electronic assistance tools and expert advisors,

Spanish language materials, training information, success stories, and additional resources from OSHA and other organizations.



### Texas City Gives Tax Incentive For Safety

From *Occupational Hazards* at [www.occupationalhazards.com/articles/15317](http://www.occupationalhazards.com/articles/15317)

Texas City Tax Incentives for Safety an 'Unprecedented Effort' - 06/20/2006

A little over a year after explosions and fire rocked BP's refinery in Texas City, Texas - claiming the lives of 15 workers - the city of Texas City is offering tax incentives to entice local industrial facilities to become certified in OSHA's Voluntary Protection Program (VPP).

"We applaud Texas City's leaders for this proactive and unprecedented effort that promotes not only a safer industrial district, but a safer community," said R. Davis Lane, executive director of the VPP Participants Association. "VPP can significantly improve a facility's safety performance."

Texas City officials outlined and approved the plan at their June 7 City Commission meeting.

The language in the tax code provision states that if an industrial entity has achieved OSHA VPP certification, the facility's owner is entitled to a 20 percent tax abatement each year for 5 years (from the second year after it receives certification through the seventh year), provided the owner maintains VPP designation.

The Valero refinery is the only industrial plant in Texas City to carry the VPP certification as of yet.

"The Voluntary Protection Program is a great way for the city to have a measurable standard for our abatement program," said Texas City Mayor Matthew Doyle. "VPP also provides that management and labor work together to achieve a common goal. The money that we allow in the tax abatements will be a small price to pay for a safer community."



## OSHA's Post-Katrina Enforcement Questioned in Congress

*From Occupational Hazards at [www.occupationalhazards.com/articles/15370](http://www.occupationalhazards.com/articles/15370)*

Legislators Question Enforcement Suspension After Disasters - 07/07/2006

House lawmakers asked Howard "Buck" McKeon, R-Calif., chairman of the House Committee on Education and Workforce, to hold hearings to determine whether the practice of suspending enforcement of worker safety laws in places affected by major disasters such as the 9/11 terrorist attacks and Hurricane Katrina last year, has become a Bush administration policy.

Eight legislators, led by Rep. George Miller D-Calif., the ranking Democrat on the committee, said that reports of subsequent illness, disability and death among rescue and recovery workers show the serious need for Congress to conduct oversight hearings.

"It appears that OSHA's decision to forestall any safety enforcement and limit itself to providing only advice and technical assistance at Ground Zero was a major factor in the failure to safeguard thousands of workers at the site," the lawmakers wrote in a letter to McKeon. "In light of the fact that OSHA repeated its decision to halt enforcement of safety rules in the aftermath of another national disaster, Hurricanes Katrina and Rita, immediate Congressional oversight is critical."

OSHA: Exemption was for Faster and Flexible Response

After Hurricanes Katrina and Rita, OSHA exempted a number of counties and parishes in Florida, Alabama, Mississippi and Louisiana from regular enforcement status, limiting inspections to cases involving fatalities, catastrophic accidents or complaints.

On Jan. 20, OSHA resumed regular enforcement in most of the Gulf Coast except in several parishes in Louisiana and south of interstate 10 in Mississippi. Enforcement of the southern part of Mississippi was recently resumed on June 28.

According to OSHA, exempting a number of counties and parishes throughout the Gulf Coast was a means for the agency to provide "faster and more flexible responses to hazards facing workers involved in the cleanup and recovery."

In the aftermath of the World Trade Center attacks and cleanup efforts, reports of recovery workers falling ill have increased. For instance, news of the death of NYPD detective James Zadroga at age 34 in December as a result of respiratory disease after working at Ground Zero for more than 500 hours have indicated that workers involved in the recovery were not well protected from debris and other contaminants that lingered at the site.

In a statement released on May 30, 2002 - the day the recovery and cleanup of the WTC site ended - Secretary of Labor Elaine Chao stated that the Department of Labor and OSHA did everything to protect workers involved in the cleanup and recovery.

"We are proud that over 1,000 Department of Labor and OSHA staff from New York and around the country worked on the site providing safety and health consultation services, performing air sampling and monitoring and collecting other safety data," she said. "Over 6,100 workers, including 2,700 New York City fire department employees, were fit-tested for respirators; more than 130,000 respirators were distributed on-site, and in excess of 6,000 personal, area and bulk samples of hazardous substances were collected."



**GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS  
UPDATE**



## AROUND NEW ENGLAND

RI H 8220 (Enacted) Relates to the Mercury Reduction and Education Act; eliminates the requirements of the motor vehicle mercury switch collection program and requires the Department of Environmental Management to determine whether there was a failure to achieve the capture rate and publicly report their findings.

RI H 8239/S 3113 (Enacted) Amends the industrial property remediation and reuse act; provides for environmental clean-up and liability relief processes that are effective, efficient and that minimize transaction costs in order to facilitate appropriate reuse of contaminated properties; relates to qualifications of a bona fide prospective purchaser; requires environmental due diligence for assessing property for contamination; requires a public meeting before reuse as a school child care facility or public recreation.

RI S 2509 (Enacted) Creates the Electronic Waste Prevention, Reuse and Recycling Act to establish a comprehensive system regulating electronic waste to protect the health, safety and welfare of residents of this state.



## ACTIVITIES ON BEACON HILL

### Happenings on Beacon Hill

MA S 2403 (Enacted) Provides for adoption of cigarette fire safety standards and labeling; provides that giving cigarettes as samples, prizes, gifts or in exchange for any consideration other than money shall be considered sales; requires

testing the ignition strength of cigarettes; permits sales of substandard cigarettes if such cigarettes were stamped for sale in another state or country, or were purchased prior to the effective date; provides for the Cigarette Fire Safety and Firefighter Protection Act Enforcement Fund.



## PRODUCT RECALLS

### HP Photosmart R707 Digital Cameras

The digital camera can cause certain non-rechargeable batteries, such as the Duracell CP-1, to overheat when the camera is connected to an AC adapter or docking station, posing a fire hazard.

This recall involves the HP Photosmart R707 digital camera. The HP logo and the model name and number are printed on the front of the camera.

### Black & Decker(r) Brand Thermal Coffeemaker

The coffeemaker may not turn off as programmed, causing the unit to overheat and melt, and posing a risk of fire and burn injury. The recalled coffeemakers make up to 8-cups of coffee and have a programmable countertop feature.

The coffeemakers are silver and black with a stainless steel carafe. Model numbers TCM800 and TCM805 are printed on the rating plate on the bottom of the coffeemaker.

### Vermont American Abrasive Cut-Off Wheels

The Abrasive Cut-Off Wheel packages are not properly labeled with precautionary information on proper use and operation. The failure of a user to follow the instructions could result in injury.

The wheels have a black, abrasive exterior; a red circular label on the interior; and are used to clean, slot, nick and cut metal. The wheels were sold under the "Vermont American" brand name had the following catalog numbers, diameters and blade thickness:

Item #	Diameter	Blade Thickness
28026	6-1/2"	1/8"
28027	7"-7-1/4"	1/8"
28028	8"	1/8"
28030	10"	1/8"
28032	12"	1/8"
28033	14"	1/8"

#### Vermont American 13-inch-Long Masonry Drill Bits

The drill bit packages are not properly labeled with precautionary information on proper use and operation. These and other manufacturers' 13-inch bits can bend when run at a high speed without being in contact with a work surface, resulting in loss of control of the drill and possible lacerations.

The drill bits are 1/4-inch by 13-inches long, 5/16-inch by 13-inches long, 3/8-inch by 13-inches long, and 1/2-inch by 13-inches long. They were sold separately as accessories under the "Vermont American" brand name under catalog numbers: 14044, 14045, 14046, and 14048.

#### Sunbeam Gas Ranges Sold Feb. 2006 - May 2006

These ranges lack an adequate heat shield, and can cause scorching of certain flooring materials directly under the appliance.

The recalled Sunbeam branded gas ranges are various colors and show the Sunbeam brand name on the backguard panel.

#### Porter-Cable Cordless Brad Nailer

The nailer can eject a nail while the switch is in the "off" position if the trigger is pulled and it is placed on a surface. This can pose a serious injury to consumers or bystanders.

The nailer is used to drive nails into wood. Model number BN200V12 is located on the name plate on the magazine of the unit. "Porter+Cable" is printed on the nailer's motor housing.

#### Ryobi Radial Arm Saws Recalled for Blade Detachment Hazard

Cracking of the plastic motor housing can cause the blade assembly to fall during operation, posing a risk of laceration to the operator or bystanders. The detachment may occur unexpectedly and without warning.

The recall involves all RA200 and RA202 radial arm saws. These are bench top models with 8 1/4-

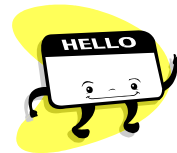
inch blades. Each unit has a data plate immediately behind the operator grip for the saw, which says "RYOBI 8 1/4" Radial Arm Saw" and either "RA200" or "RA202."

#### Bradley Portable Eyewash Units

The arm portion of affected Units may cause inadequate water flow from the spray heads. The Units therefore may not provide sufficient water flow in case of an emergency. This insufficient water flow may prevent the user from obtaining the intended amount of cleaning. Although there have been no injuries reported from this problem, Bradley is requiring that all Units purchased between July 19, 2005 and January 31, 2006 be checked, and if they contain a defective arm, that the arm be replaced. Units purchased before or after this time period are not affected by this potential problem.

This recall affects Units bearing lot # AIP05192. The lot number is stamped on the arm portion of the Unit, which is behind the sign marked "Pull". Portable Eyewash Units having a different lot number are not affected by this campaign. The affected Model Numbers are S19-921 and S19-921H. No other Bradley models or products are affected by this campaign.

For addition information about these and other consumer product recalls visit [www.cpsc.gov](http://www.cpsc.gov).



## UPDATE YOUR CONTACT INFORMATION WITH ASSE

The most efficient method of communication with chapter members continues to be through electronic mailings and the continually updated GBC website - [www.asseboston.com](http://www.asseboston.com).

Please assist us in continuing to make contact with you electronically by keeping your contact information up-to-date with ASSE National, as we rely on National's roster to connect with you!

To update your contact information, call ASSE Customer Service, 847-699-2929 (8:30-5:00 CST), or log on to the "Members Only" area of [www.asse.org](http://www.asse.org) and use the following steps:

1. Log onto [www.asse.org](http://www.asse.org). Click on the tab "Members Only" located at the top of the home page.
2. Once the "Members Only" page loads, you'll be prompted to login using your User ID (your member number) and Password (your last name).
3. Once you login, go to the top left of the screen and click on "ASSE Member Directory".
4. Click on the "Update Your Address" and once again enter your User ID and Password.
5. Proceed to fill out the change of address form and then click submit!



## JOB SEARCH ASSISTANCE

ASSE has replaced the former Job line service with a new, more powerful employment tool. The new service is called Nexsteps - for job seekers and for companies looking to fill EHS positions. Browse through current positions or post a job listing for your company. The Next-steps website offers greater access to new job opportunities, so visit today at: [www.nexsteps.org](http://www.nexsteps.org). In addition, the Greater Boston Chapter posts positions that may be of interest to members on the Chapter's website. To see current postings, go to: [www.asseboston.com/jobposting.htm](http://www.asseboston.com/jobposting.htm). To place a posting, please contact Steve Maffettone at [Steve\\_Maff@members.asse.org](mailto:Steve_Maff@members.asse.org).

Featured job opportunities posted on the GBC website include:

- [Construction Safety Coordinator](#)
- [Safety Specialist](#)

- [Sr. Risk Control Consultant](#)
- [Loss Prevention Consultant & Associate](#)
- [Manager, Environmental, Health & Safety](#)

To view the full job descriptions and company contact information of these opportunities and others please visit the GBC job posting website at the following web link:

<http://www.asseboston.com/jobposting.htm>



## NEWSLETTER ARTICLES AND SUBMISSIONS

The Greater Boston Chapter welcomes members to submit technical articles, committee updates and information about upcoming events for inclusion in our newsletter, "The Beanpot". Submissions for the October/November edition of the newsletter are welcome through September 15th! Articles should be submitted to David Paine at [dpaine@amgen.com](mailto:dpaine@amgen.com). Please make sure to include "ASSE GBC" in the subject box!



## GBC OFFICERS 2006-2007

The GBC would like to welcome the new Executive Committee for the July 1, 2006-June 30, 2007 year!

**Chapter President**

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