

The Cop and the Convict, Import/Export Rules, It's not Just Blood Anymore, Go Ahead and Blow the Whistle, Sit Less/Move More, Temporary Workers, Safety Impact on Insurance, OSHA Update, Employment Testing, Machine Safety, Arc Flash, Auto Safety: the Good, the Bad and the Ugly, Bridging the Generational Gap in a Multigenerational Workplace, Are you Complying with OSHA, When Stuff Hits the Fan, are just a few of the 75+ topics being presented at the Chicagoland Safety Health and Environmental Conference being held at the Naperville Campus of Northern Illinois University September 18-21, 2017. Now in its 29th year, the Chicagoland Safety Health and Environmental Conference is the premier once a year, 4 day training conference that draws hundreds of people from the Midwest and across the United States. Over 400 speakers, vendors and EHS professionals from 17 states and 89 Illinois communities attended the 2016 conference.

The conference provides dynamic, current and timely training sessions and workshops dealing with OSHA/EPA compliance, environmental management, industrial hygiene, safety and professional development. Sessions are 1.5 hour, 3 hour or day long and provide Basic, Intermediate and Advanced level training. Training sessions are led by highly qualified and knowledgeable speakers including lawyers, college professors, consultants, business owners, safety professionals, professional trainers and others who have extensive and relevant experience. In 2016 the training sessions drew almost 1,800 attendees and the average class size was 21 people.

Registration begins June 1, 2017. Go to the conference website http://www.chisafetyconf.org/ to view a complete list of topics being offered this year and take advantage of Early Bird fees. You can also review information about the 2016 conference.

The conference also includes a day long Business EXPO on Wednesday where vendors from across the US showcase their latest products and services. An evening networking social with hors d'oeuvres follows the Business EXPO. Mr. Robert Sams travels from Australia to present the Keynote Address at the Thursday luncheon. Mr. Sams has more than 20 years' experience in the fields of risk, safety and organizational culture. He will also bring copies of his new book, Social Sensemaking.

Promotional support of the conference is provided each year by many State and local business organizations, trade organizations, manufacturing associations and Chambers of Commerce. In 2016 these organizations included the Three Rivers Manufacturing Association, the Illinois Manufacturing Association, International Facility Managers Association, Joliet Regional Chamber of Commerce, Illinois Chamber of Commerce, Naperville Chamber of Commerce, Valley Industrial Association, Hoffman Estates Chamber of Commerce, and the Dupage Convention and Visitors Bureau. The Daily Herald *Business Ledger, Reflejos* and *Industrial Hygiene News* continue to be media sponsors of the conference.

The conference week concludes with the *Chicagoland EHS Golf Outing* on Friday September 22, 2017 at the Village Greens Golf Course in Woodridge. This is a great fun event for golfers and non-golfers alike. Lot of prizes and everyone receives a coupon for a future free round of golf. Just click the link to the annual golf outing that is on the conference website www.chisafetyconf.org

For more information about the conference or the golf outing, contact Ken Orms at k.orms@att.net