The ASSE

Falls Spicy Safety Events

Safety Day  
October 1, 2008  
The annual meet and greet of local safety professionals and vendors.

SESHA at Stout  
October 16, 2008  
A discussion on the current semiconductor hot topics.

ASSE Conference  
November 6-8, 2008  
A leadership conference for the student members of ASSE.

The 2009 MEHS Class  
Large and In Charge!

We are pleased to introduce you to the 2009 Master of Environmental Health and Safety Students of UMD.
Up Close and Personal
Observing a Safety Meeting at LP

In September, under the direction of our teacher Nancy Tario, the MEHS class of UMD paid a visit to Louisiana Pacific located at 711 25th Avenue Highway 2, Industrial Park North, Two Harbors Minnesota. Better known as LP this company has been a leader in creating building products since 1973 and has become a source of pride of Northern Minnesota and Northern Wisconsin. As an industry leader LP continues to strive for environmental excellence and a safe and healthy workplace. The MEHS class of 20089 received a glimpse of how LP employees work as a group during an in house company meeting to create ongoing improvements in safety and health while increasing production and in turn team unity. The MEHS class of 2009 would like to thank everyone at Louisiana Pacific for their hospitality and we look forward to visiting there again.

Darren Hendrickson

An Introduction to all that is Cargill

On Sept. 26 Mike Klun, a CSP from Cargill, presented to the current MEHS class information regarding what Cargill is and how he implements different aspects of the EHS field within their company.

Students were excited and curious to hear the different applications that an EHS professional could possibly perform in the field. Considering a few days earlier, most of us were drawing blanks when asked, “What we wanted to do in the EHS field?” We left Mike’s presentation feeling a lot better about answering questions of that nature.

Josh Hamre
The 2009 MEHS class would like to thank Don Joe and Andy Zeitler for speaking to our class on October 3, 2008. Andy and Don are alumni of the MEHS program and are currently working at Sandia labs in Albuquerque, NM. We appreciate the time they shared with us. Also, they provided useful information on how to be successful not only in the program, but also in our future careers. Specifically, they stressed the importance of certification and to work in various areas of the EHS field to gain experience.

Everyone was excited about the possibility of an internship at Sandia labs. We enjoyed the enthusiasm that Don and Andy showed, not only for the jobs at Sandia, but also for UMD’s MEHS program. We always appreciate hearing about the various types of jobs that are available to us in the EHS field.

Brian Ness and Devin Boushek
The Minnesota Safety Council held the Northern Area Safety and Health Network Day on October 1, 2008 at Spirit Mountain in Duluth. This conference included several exhibitors displaying the latest safety and health products, as well as several breakout sessions with topics that included: Minnesota OSHA, Arch Flash, Supervisor Safety Training, Fall Protection, and Storm Water.

Following the safety day conference, the UMD MEHS program hosted a social networking event that took place at Blackwood’s Restaurant. This gave the current MEHS students an opportunity to talk with past alums of the program. Overall, the conference and social networking event was a success.

The MEHS students would like to thank the alums for discussing our questions and concerns. For those alums that could not attend, we hope to see you at the next social event!

Andrew Biondich and Dave Sletten
With winter well on its way, don’t be left out in the cold!  
Purchase your new MEHS polo today!  
A percentage of the proceeds go directly to our ASSE fund for vital trainings!

The MEHS logo received a facelift! The 2009 MEHS class would like to give a special thanks to Sonya Nelsen, the creator of the new MEHS logo! Sonya is a graphic design undergraduate student of UMD who took time out of her busy schedule to give the program a fresh new look.

The design has already received plenty of attention as you can see. It seems everyone wants to know how to get their hands on the program’s new apparel! To get your polo before they disappear check out:

http://mehs.d.umn.edu

The UMD MEHS students are currently seeking Internship opportunities in the MEHS field. If you or your organization is interested in hiring an intern at your facility, please let us know!

Contact Pat Wollack at (218) 726-8117 or mehs@d.umn.edu

Yes, Pat is still the only reason any one can ever get anything done around