Kulema McCoy Elected Safety Professional of the Year

Kulema McCoy, who transferred to the Tarheel Chapter from the Piedmont Triad chapter and was thrust into the president’s role, was presented the ASSE Tarheel Chapter Safety Professional of the Year trophy for 2018 for her great work.

Julian Mercer made the presentation to Kulema at the May meeting at BB&T Ballpark in Charlotte.

Tarheel WISE Chapter Awarded Silver

Karen LaRue, ASSE ChapterWISE Women in Safety Engineering (WISE) announced that the Tarheel Chapter is one of six chapters receiving this distinction. The award will be presented at the PDC - WISE Networking Event (Sunday, June 03, 6-8 p.m., Howl at the Moon).

ASSE Tarheel Chapter 2018-2019 Elected Officers

The American Society of Safety Engineers (ASSE) Tarheel Chapter has elected the following slate of officers for the year beginning in July of 2018 through June of 2019. They will be installed in their new positions at the August meeting at the Dilworth Inn on Thursday, August 2, 2018.

They are:

Scott Baranowski, President
Gregory Santo, President–Elect

Brandy Houchin, Secretary
David Consider, Treasurer

No June Meeting this year
Scott Baranowski, CSP has been elected President of the ASSE Tarheel Chapter for 2018-2019 and brings over 15 years of professional experience as an Environmental Health and Safety professional. He is currently working in a manufacturing environment where he uses his leadership experiences gained while an officer in the United States Coast Guard. Scott led a division responsible for investigating marine casualties, inspection of marine vessels and served as a prosecutor in administrative law hearings.

Scott, a Richmond, Virginia native, attended undergraduate school at Virginia Tech and received a Master’s degree from George Mason University. He has been with the ASSE Tarheel Chapter for about five years serving as the membership chair prior to serving as president-elect.

Scott is a Certified Safety Professional (CSP), Project Management Professional (PMP), and an Engineering Intern (EI) in the state of North Carolina. He is a member of the Engineering Practice Specialty for the ASSE and earned the Safety Professional of the year in 2017 for the Engineering Practice Specialty. He lives in Matthews with his wife and two children, Bryce (6) and Alexa (2).

Gregory Santo has been elected as President-Elect of the Tarheel Chapter and brings almost 40 years of professional experience in occupational health and safety. A graduate of Stockton State University, he served as a medic in the United States Air Force, USAF Reserve and as a bio-environmental engineer for several air national guard units throughout the northeast.

He has worked in a variety of safety and health related positions for manufacturing, insurance, federal government and service industries. Greg has spent the last 21 years with Occupational Safety & Environmental Assoc., Inc. (OSA). They are a New York based safety and health consulting firm and he is Vice President - Operations for the Charlotte office.

He and his wife Vickie live in Concord and they have 3 children and 7 grandchildren.
Brandy Houchin, CSP, has been elected secretary of the Tarheel chapter. She did her occupational safety and health undergraduate and graduate work at Murray State University, Murray, KY and spent the next eight years at Bristol Myers Squibb/Mead Johnson as an EHS Specialist before moving to the Memphis, TN area and continuing her career at GlaxoSmithKline as EHS Advisor.

She was given several different opportunities as EHS Manager, Capability Lead, GlaxoSmithKline Certified Auditor, Engineering Compliance Lead, and Capacity and Operations Project Manager.

She has been an ASSE member since her college days, and has served the Audubon Chapter Secretary and the West Tennessee Chapter Delegate.

Her family relocated to the Charlotte area in August 2017 and she is currently pursuing opportunities in the greater Charlotte area. Brandy has been an ASSE member since college, serving as the Audubon Chapter Secretary and the West Tennessee Chapter Delegate.

Brandy lives in Mooresville and has three children - Graham (6), Bryce (3), and Kaitlyn (6 months).

David Consider, CSP, has been elected treasurer of the Tarheel Chapter taking over for Ted Wilburn.

He is a senior safety consultant with the National Safety Council. A Pennsylvania native, David is a graduate of West Virginia University where he completed his undergraduate and graduate studies.

David has worked in the service industry with Briggs Construction in Charlotte and Briggs Equipment in Dallas, TX and in the consulting field with OSEA.

He recently moved back to the Charlotte area to Denver, NC where he lives with his wife, Dawn.

### April Financial Report

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Safety 2018 is occurring during the same week as the Tarheel Monthly meeting, therefore we will be **not** be having a June meeting.

However, if you are attending Safety 2018 in San Antonio TX this year, please join fellow Tarheel Members at the Chapter Recognition Lunch – June 4th from 11:45 am – 1:00 pm.

Be sure to register for this lunch (L05C) during the registration process.

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**Charlotte Knights Outing**

The attendees are shown at left for the beautiful day at BB&T Park in Charlotte. They are gathered on a knoll behind the picnic area for a fantastic day for a baseball game. By the way, the hometown Knights defeated the Gwynette Stripers 6-5, for those need to know!
Tarheel Chapter Officers and Executive Committee Members

President
Vice President / President-Elect
Secretary
Treasurer

Chapter Communications/Public Relations
Women in Safety Engineering
Blacks in Safety Engineering
Young Safety Professionals/Social Media
SPALW
Foundation Liaison
Membership
Professional Development

Public Relations
Governmental Affairs
Audit
Construction Roundtable
Webmaster

Open Position

The committee meets monthly just before the regular monthly meeting.

One New Member This Month

LaQuandra Jones reports that Chad Mitchell has recently joined the Tarheel Chapter. Welcome Chad, hopefully we’ll see you at a meeting.

Construction Roundtable Meeting

Jason Sisk, Construction Roundtable Chairman, reports a probable meeting on July 13th. He is working with Atrium Healthcare to identify a presenter. Stay tuned for more details from the Tarheel Communications team of Alex Eggleston & Allan Oracion.