



# gulf coast safety & training group

# newsletter

ORGANIZED TO PROMOTE THE ADVANCEMENT OF SAFETY & TRAINING IN THE OIL AND GAS INDUSTRY

## from the president-elect

Dear GCSTG Members and Friends,

As a member of the GCSTG, I have always appreciated the information provided by speakers and the knowledge and experience generously shared by members during the roundtable discussions. During my first meeting as President-elect, I looked around from the front of the room and I was struck by one thing. Everyone in attendance had their full attention on the person speaking at the podium and no one had their eyes on their cell phones.

I was very impressed with all of the attendees in that meeting room for making the effort to focus their attention on the information being presented and not let the temptation of checking their cell phones every few minutes win over. I truly appreciate how difficult that can be, but the group of men and women in the meeting understood that focusing their attention on the information being delivered was the only way to fully process and retain that information.

Dave Teater, Sr. Director of the Transportation Initiatives for the National Safety Council, stated in a safe driving video, A Deadly Distraction, "The human brain truly does not multitask. When the brain is overloaded by two cognitive tasks, people switch attention (without recognizing it). People can only do one task at a time, one is primary and the other is secondary."

This statement is important to remember, whether we are sitting in a safety meeting, transporting personnel and equipment to a work site, walking around a rig performing an inspection, manually gauging a tank, operating a powered industrial truck, monitoring well pressures, etc.

Workers are more capable of reducing fatalities, injuries, incidents and near misses in the workplace, the roadways and at home when they are focusing on the job they are performing and not toggling their brains between two cognitively demanding tasks.

Maria Champagne, CSP, REM  
GCSTG President-elect

## notice of meeting

When: **Friday, May 11, 2018**

Where: Petroleum Club of Lafayette  
111 Heymann Blvd.  
Lafayette, LA

Meeting Fees: \$30 for members & sponsored guests  
\$40 for non-members and members not sending an RSVP  
*(We accept cash or checks. We are NOT set up for credit cards.)*

**RSVP Required by Thursday, May 10th, at 11:00 a.m.**  
You must RSVP to attend!  
Email RSVP to [genebarf@bellsouth.net](mailto:genebarf@bellsouth.net)

## meeting agenda

07:30 - 08:00 Registration, Continental Breakfast

08:00 - 08:30 Welcome & Self Introductions

08:30 - 08:45 Committee Reports

08:45 - 09:00 Networking / Break

09:00 - 10:00 **Part 1: "Civilian Active Threat Training 4 (CATT 4)"**  
Speaker: **Michael Allelo**  
Company: **Lafayette Sheriff's Department**  
Time: **2 hours**  
Description: **The Civilian Active Threat Training (CATT4) course, designed and built on the Hear, Escape, Resist and Oppose (HERO) strategy which was developed by the Lafayette Parish Sheriff's Office Training Division in 2018. This course, specifically designed for civilians, provides strategies, guidance and a proven plan for surviving an active threat event. Topics include the history and prevalence of active threat events, civilian response options, medical issues, and considerations for conducting drills.**

10:00 - 10:15 Networking / Break

10:15 - 11:00 **Part 2: "Civilian Active Threat Training 4 (CATT 4)"**

11:00 - 11:15 Networking / Break

11:15 - Until **Round Table Discussion - Members seek solutions to safety concerns and share experiences**

Door Prize Drawing

Lunch and Continued Networking or Adjourn

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## meeting minutes . . . .

The meeting was called to order on March 9, 2018 at 8:02 AM by Maria Champagne, President-elect. Maria reminded everyone of the locations of the emergency exits. The pledge of allegiance was conducted and was followed by a moment of silence for our military, members and families in need. Everyone introduced themselves and any new members. Committee Reports were presented.

Maria reminded everyone that this is a safety group and no sales/marketing solicitation allowed.

### COMMITTEE REPORTS:

#### Membership / Crawfish Boil Report, Gene Barfield

- 190 members currently
- Finances can be found in the newsletter and balance \$61,000
- Crawfish Boil is planned for May 10, 2018
- Thanks to the members that come on a normal basis

#### Science Fair, Leonard Nederveld

We are looking for a volunteer to chair Science Fair in Houston. Please contact Leonard Nederveld if you are interested.

#### Safe Gulf, Edie Tranchina

No report

#### Regulatory Affairs, Laurie Knape

No Report. A reminder the Regulatory Affairs Report is posted on webpage ([www.gcstg.com](http://www.gcstg.com)) and will not be emailed; on the webpage click on regulatory affairs then click on a Word document. Once the document is opened, the internet link can be found in the far right column.

#### Quality Committee, Nic McCormick

Pete Goodman discussed Atlas Inspection Technologies will be conducting a class on April 12, 2018 at 6:30 PM located at Franks in Lafayette. You can call Nic McCormick for more information.

#### Scholarship Activities, Gene Barfield

There was one recipient that received a scholarship in 2017. Miss Kate Farrell from Texas. Her major is in Play Writing. As of January meeting the scholarship fund is depleted. We are asking members for suggestion on fundraisers for 2018.

#### Nominations & Elections, Jim Gunter

No report

#### Speaker Arrangements, Maria Champagne

Maria asked the group to send her any suggestions for future speakers for 2018 meetings.

#### 1st Guest Speaker- Christopher Taylor, Science Fair winner presentation on "Tap Water verse Bottle Water Which is the Best to Drink"

#### 1st Guest Speaker – Dr. Michael Odinet, EstremeMD, "Hand Injuries"

#### 2nd Guest Speaker – Leah Roger, President of Enviro-Sense "Environmental Regulation Affecting the Oil and Gas Industry"

#### Round Table, Maria Champagne

Maria opened the floor for the Round Table Discussion. The Round Table discussion

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is for members seeking solutions to safety concerns and share experiences.

- Gordon Ganaway with Cabot Oil talked about Vessel falling under the Boiler regulations.
- David Dugas with Fieldwood Energy talked about Fieldwood Energy looking to hire Safety Professionals in the Gulf of Mexico.
- Gordon Ganaway with Cabot Oil talked about hiring Safety Professionals in Houston Office.

### Meeting Close

The meeting closed at 11:33 AM for lunch.

### Next Meeting

May 11, 2018

## treasurer's report

*Treasurer – Gene Barfield, CSP*

**MARCH 2018**

General Fund .....	\$61,186.17
Scholarship Fund .....	\$ 0.00
<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>\$61,186.17</b>

## 2018 Meeting Schedule

Friday, May 11, 2018  
 Friday, July 13, 2018  
 Friday, September 14, 2018  
 Friday, November 9, 2018

## R.S.V.P.

*In order to better plan for the meeting, we are asking all members to reserve their spot at the meeting. This will allow us to accurately report to the facility how many people will need to be fed, assuring that enough food is prepared, and avoiding overpayment for food that is not eaten.*

**Email your RSVP  
 by Thursday, May 10th at 11:00am,  
 to: [genebarf@lusfiber.net](mailto:genebarf@lusfiber.net)**

*Please include in your email:*

**The date you send it, your name (required), whether or not you are attending and how many guests you will bring with a list of their names (required) and company names (required).**

### GCSTG Science Fair Committee Report May 11, 2018

The 2018 Regional Science Fairs are complete and we may have several students at the May and July meetings.

We will be asking for judges for the 2019 fairs in a few months.

Again thanks for all who assisted in this year's Science Fairs.

Leonard Nederveld  
 Science Fair Committee Chair

### SafeGulf Report - Laurie Knappe

Safe Gulf Advisory Group met on 4-26-2018 at the OCS Group in Houston, Texas for its second quarterly meeting of the year. Discussion and review of the current syllabus continued from the last meeting. It was agreed that the syllabus to be placed on the SG web-site would be condensed to show the topics covered in the SG program, however, remove the detail of each topic, providing a high-level overview of what the program provided. It was also agreed that the new website design would be released from its current test status to the new webpage. The next SG meeting will be held on July 26th, location to be determined

### Quality Report - Nic McCormic

ASQ will be holding our next meeting June 14th from 6:00-8:00 PM at Our Lady of Lourdes Regional Medical Center, 4801 Ambassador Caffery Parkway in the Robert Trahan Conference Center. Cecile Broussard will be presenting on Lean Six Sigma in Healthcare. Please RSVP to Nic McCormic ([nic@dutym.com](mailto:nic@dutym.com)) by June 12th.

## Welcome New Members

*NO NEW MEMBERS THIS MONTH*

## membership report

<u>Category</u> .....	<u>Count</u>
Air Service Companies .....	1
Associations .....	2
Contractor Production Operators .....	6
Diving Service Companies .....	2
Governmental Services .....	27
Independent Safety Consultants .....	13
Industrial Medical Services .....	8
Insurance Companies .....	1
Marine Service Companies .....	2
Oil/Gas Production Companies .....	23
Safety Equipment Suppliers .....	1
Safety/Training Services Companies .....	16
Service Companies .....	46
Support Services .....	3
Universities-Safety Training .....	2
<b>Total</b>	<b>152</b>