

NSTC Update

New Instructor Candidates

Erik Christenson (*Environmental Management Inc.*), Danny Ruerup and Mike Piekarski (*Alaska Laborers Training School*) attended the NSTC Instructor Orientation on August 25.

Instructor candidates are required to complete their qualification requirements within six months after attending Orientation or they will have to attend again.

Email or call Jane Oakley at joakley@apicc.org or (907) 743-6801) to make arrangements for evaluation or reinstatement as an NSTC Instructor.

Environmental Field Handbook has been delayed

The 2011 Environmental Field Handbook has been delayed, due to an error in the first printing. The NSTC Office will let all instructors know when the books are ready for release. When we receive the go-ahead for release, we will schedule the rollout session.

Until we know more information, please continue to order the 2005 EFH as needed. We will continue to update you as we receive additional information.

NMS Training Systems to Terminate Training Services

NMS Training Systems announced that they will terminate their training services effective October 1, 2011 as part of a reorganization. This means

they will no longer serve as an NSTC Third Party Provider. The remaining NSTC Third Party Providers will have classes available for those who have, in the past, received their training at NMS. For a list of Providers, go the NSTC website, click on Providers, and you will have access to contact information for NSTC training services in Anchorage, Barrow, Fairbanks, Kenai, Palmer and Soldotna. The remaining NSTC Providers will be able to research and reissue lost NSTC cards for those who attended training at NMS.

NMS Training Systems has provided consistent, high quality training support to the NSTC since 1998 and will be greatly missed. Instructors Dennis Bromley, Harvey Whitehead, Ira Doty, and Chris Launer have made significant contributions to NSTC course development over the years and we hope they will continue to be involved with the NSTC. NMS will continue to have qualified NSTC instructors to provide training for their own employees.

NIT TO OPEN ANCHORAGE TRAINING FACILITY

Northern Industrial Training will be opening an additional training location in Anchorage, and will offer regularly scheduled courses. The address for the new location is 3700 Center Point Dr, Suite 1300, Anchorage AK 99503.

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Professional Development: Register Now for the ASSE Safety Summit

The Alaska Chapter of the American Society of Safety Engineers will host its annual Safety Summit 2011, at the Hotel Captain Cook.

The 2011 theme is *Changing Currents in Safety* and the cost is \$200 for early registration (prior to September 15). After September 15, the cost will be \$250. Attendance at the Summit counts toward the NSTC Instructor requirement for 3 hours of annual professional development.



You can register online at <http://alaska.asse.org/summit.php>

This is a great opportunity to network with other safety professionals, attend workshops, and visit with equipment vendors.

September-October 2011 NSTC Calendar

| Date | Group | Location | Time |
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| September 12 | Client Training Team | Rm 145, University Center | 1:30 – 3:30 p.m. |
| September 13 | Offshore Curriculum Committee | NSTC Conference Room, 2600 Cordova, Suite 105 | 10:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. |
| September 19 | Steering Committee | Rm 145, University Center | 1:30 – 3:30 p.m. |
| September 27 | Curriculum Committee | Rm 145, University Center | 1:30 – 3:30 p.m. |
| October 4-5 | ASSE Safety Summit | Hotel Captain Cook | |
| October 6 | Operators Group | NSTC Conference Room, 2600 Cordova, Suite 105 | 2:00 – 3:30 p.m. |
| October 13 | Instructor Orientation | Rm 145, University Center | 9:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. |
| October 25 | Curriculum Committee | Rm 145, University Center | 1:30 – 3:30 p.m. |

NSTC WEBSITE REDESIGN

Over the summer, the NSTC began to plan a total website redesign. We are in the process of planning the new and improved website. We are planning improvements to the instructor sections, along with a new look and higher functionality. If you have any suggestions, please contact Cassie Ostrander at costrander@apicc.org

APICC ANNUAL MEETING

The Alaska Process Industries Career Consortium (APICC) will host the 2011 Annual Meeting and Conference, focusing on “Process Industries that Vitalize Alaska’s Economy.” Speakers will include representatives from industry, education, and leading

industry associations. The Annual Meeting will be held November 1, 2011 at the Dena’ina Convention Center. Please contact the APICC by calling 907-770-5250 to register. Space is limited, so please register early. Cost is \$45 and includes lunch.

Instructor Spotlight

Note to readers - This column is a new segment introducing you to the various personalities that make up the NSTC.

Lloyd Raines North Slope Telecom



First qualified as an NSTC Instructor in 2009, Lloyd Raines has been a reliable volunteer for the program ever since. As a volunteer, he said that he “greatly enjoys the opportunity to provide input to the NSTC.” Lloyd serves as a volunteer on the NSTC Curriculum Committee.

The Curriculum Committee is a subcommittee of the Client Training Team, and consists of a core group of dedicated volunteers who revise NSTC Curriculum. Currently, the committee is working on revisions to the Electrical Safety Program. Lloyd moved to the 49th State in 1997, and enjoys spending time with his family. He spends his free time running marathons, training for marathons with his border collie, and playing chess.

He is also president of the Denali Safety Council.

A former telecommunications specialist in the United States Air Force, Lloyd has been working in the industry for his entire professional life. Safety is very important to Lloyd, as evidenced by his favorite quote, which is “Whenever there is doubt, it is best to consult with the experts.”