

FIRST THINGS FIRST

First it is important for all of us to congratulate the American Society of Safety Engineers (ASSE) for this year being the 100th. Anniversary of their founding. Any organization that has been in operation for 100 years, and done as much good as they have in the world of safety is an organization that deserves very high praise.

THE FOUNDING OF VOS

The Veterans of Safety was founded less than two months before the United States was attacked at Pearl Harbor, triggering America's entry into WW II, so VOS is now celebrating their 70th anniversary. Most organizations that old don't have much of an idea of how they came into being, but the year of VOS's 45th anniversary, they published the history of their startup as follows:

A HISTORY OF THE VETERANS OF SAFETY

The Veterans of Safety organization, was founded October 9, 1941 at a banquet of safety old timers, during the National Safety Congress in Chicago and has become a strong international organization. Their Oct. 1986 meeting in Chicago will observe their 45th year.

Veterans of Safety members have constantly shown the highest desire to serve their fellow workers and associates in the cause of human conservation and loss control.

The founder was the late Charles A. Miller of Houston, Texas. He had the enthusiastic support of Henry Bogges, Harry Guilbert and Art Rohweder. There was a desire but also a need for such an organization where men with long years of experience could meet, where ideas and experience could be exchanged in a climate of friendship in a common undertaking of human relations.

Temporary chairman and toastmaster at the founding banquet in Chicago was Henry W. Boggs. Arthur Rohweder and John Sandel arranged the program; J. B. Davies and Bob Donovan contacted eligible old-timers; Charlie Miller and Henry Bogges wrote the constitution and By-laws. Some wanted to call it "Old-Timers Safety Club"; others favored the name "Veterans of Safety"; 98 old-timers at the first banquet. A constitution and by-laws were unanimously approved. Robert Donovan submitted a nominating committee report; President, Arthur V. Rohweder; Vice-President, Walter G. King; Secretary-Treasurer, Harry Guilbert; Charles Miller, Holger Jensen and Lew Palmer, Trustees.

Among the first members, Past President and Honorary Member, Gordon St. Clair of St. Petersburg, Fla., attended the 44th meeting in New Orleans, Oct. 1985. He up-dates our history, explaining that most of the men concerned with safety were from the Southwest's oil field who attended the National Safety Congress. They gathered at the Medinah Club on North Michigan - now the Sheraton--joined by a few safety suppliers among them John H. Liautaud of the Chicago Eye Shield Co., now the Fendaall Co., the two Guilbert brothers, one Harry, was chief of the Chicago Park District police, and Paul F. Lindemann, Bartlesville, OK.

Sessions at the Medinah Club (costing \$18 million, later went into bankruptcy in the 30's depression) became known as the Old Timer's Club, recalls Past President St. Clair. Suites on the 18th floor rented for \$35 a month.

Al Parmelee from Kansas City, was a strong motivator from the supply sector. Sometimes they'd meet at the Blackstone, a luxury hotel known as the Hotel of Presidents. Later at the Stevens, now the Conrad Hilton. The Stevens management had a guest launch so safety visitors could tour the lakefront harbor. Rooms were \$3.

Annual meetings of the Board, and of members have been held with the opening of the National Safety Congress in Chicago. But in October 1984, the Congress closed out at the Hilton with "Auld Lang Sync".

Veterans of Safety and the ASSE honor the award winning "Professional Paper" authors. Prizes are \$500, \$400, and \$300, with plaques.

VETERANS OF SAFETY have had a strong, diversified membership growth the past five years, with many new chapters.

The membership exemplifies persons with capabilities, specializing in safety -- for everyone, and every day to create a better and safer world, with their slogan:

"HAVE A SAFE DAY"

45th YEAR

**VETERANS OF SAFETY ACTIVITIES ARE AVAILABLE IN U.S.
TRADE CENTER LIBRARIES IN BANGKOK, FRANKFURT,
STOCKHOLM, MILAN, TOKYO, PARIS**

The same publication continued on. After a listing of some Canadian contacts, they gave a history of the founding of the Hawaii chapter, followed by an announcement for the 1986 National Safety Congress in Chicago:

Philippines		So. Leyte	Walsh, Lawrence J.
Canada	Al.	Cochrane	Zenger, Herbert A.
Canada	BC	Gibsons	Allison, Wallace M.
Canada	BC	Nelson	Stewart, Stanley H.
Canada	BC	Tsawwassen	Wright, Robert
Canada	NS	Windsor	Walker, Samuel B.
Canada	Ont.	Islington	Chant, Douglas B.
Canada	Ont.	Toronto	Westhead, James F.
Canada	Ont.	Toronto 5	Lewis, Carl M.
Canada	Quebec	Ville D'Anjou	Meehan, Charles J.

**VETERANS OF SAFETY, HAWAII CHAPTER
HISTORICAL REPORT - FORMATION OF
CHAPTER**

MR. GORDON ST. CLAIR, First Vice President, International was the founder of the Hawaii Chapter at a luncheon meeting Sept. 22, 1961. Ten of the individuals present signed the Articles of Association. They were: John Clement, George Sheridan, Paul Derlien, J. Bednarski, Charles Utterback, John Imic, Richard Yawata, Hector Baxter, Edward K. Lam, Robert P. Alden.

THE FIRST regular meeting of the Hawaii Chapter was held Jan. 16, 1962, officers elected were: Robert P. Alden - President, Robert P. Bailey - Vice President, Irving A. Witt - Secretary/Treasurer.

PARTICIPATING in the first meeting of the Chapter's "Aims and Purpose," were: Paul Derlien, George Sheridan, Charles J. Utterback, Robert P. Alden, Hector Baxter, Joseph Bednarski, John Clement, Phillip A. Hood, Richard M. Yawata, I. Albert Witt.

HAWAII CHAPTER ACTIVITIES 1962-1963

CHAPTER MEMBERS analyzed and offered suggestions aimed at possible improvement of safety programs at: Castle & Cooke Terminals, Pearl Harbor Naval Shipyard, First Insurance Company (then known as Home Insurance Company), Ewa Plantation, Castle & Cooke General Operations, Dolc Company, U.S. Army, Hawaii. Actual tours of installations or operations were conducted under leadership of a VOS host. New safety products were displayed and their possible merits discussed not only within VOS member programs, but to others as well.

HAWAII

1964-1965

ASSISTANCE to Lanai Hospital, Queen's Hospital, Leeward Hospital, Dairymen Association and Honolulu Community College Shops in the development of safety programs and procedures. 1964 One hour slide and talk of N.S.C. Safety Congress "Agricultural and Canning Safety in Hawaii," followed by one hour of "Stump the Safety Experts" program. 1969 Air Force Multi Media Drivers Training Program. 1971-1972 Safety Town Programming. 1971 Hickam Air Force Base Seminar participation. 1972 Safety Course development for the University of Hawaii. 1974 VOS, Hawaii Chapter/ASSE, Hawaii Chapter Safety Course introduced University of Hawaii. 1975 VOS, Hawaii Chapter participation in Fleet Safety Rodco, N.S.C. Defensive Driving Program, U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary Boating Safety Program. (Rowland, Turner, Mr and Mrs. J. S. Gage). 1976 Worker's Compensation Program (Rowland, Eibert, Merritt), Labor Safety Program, Ed Turner. 1977 135 page brochure listing "The Most Frequently Cited General Occupational Safety and Health Standards in Hawaii", (Key, Downey, Vernon, Merritt). Many similar activities were undertaken by Hawaii Chapter members.

International President
1976-1977
Robert E. Ebert PE, CSP.

National Safety Congress 1986

CHICAGO - Oct. 19-23-- Business sessions, Hyatt Regency. Oct. 20-22-- McCormick Place North. Expo Bldg. NSC Office: 444 N. Michigan, Chicago, 60611. Veterans of Safety, Room 2206, 203 N. Wabash, Chicago 60601 (312-782-6152)

Lastly, the publication shows an "In Memoriam" section. Each year at the end of the Annual Meeting, the VOS still has a memorial remembrance service for the members who have past away during the last year:

IN MEMORIAM--VETERANS OF SAFETY



FIRST CHAPLAIN for the Veterans--George A. Worth, from 1974-1984 when he retired, with a remarkable military career, and possessed of a high degree of personal integrity and sincere condolences to the families of deceased members at the candlelight service annual banquet.



FIRST WOMAN MEMBER of Veterans of Safety--Louise Ratner, and a leader in Veterans programs at the annual All-Ohio Safety Congress. She passed away Oct. 20, 1982. In this photo she received a Public Service Award from Charles Matthews from the Ohio Safety, Hygiene and Industrial Commission. She was the first woman Chairperson of the Public Employee Section of the National Safety Congress--in 1961. She was a dedicated Safety Professional, with acquaintances in every state. When she came to her first Veterans of Safety banquet in Chicago, she was given a chair and a table in the balcony and served there by a fellow member. In 1955 she was a Veterans board member, named by President Tarvia H. D. Jones.



FORTY YEARS IN SAFETY--Quincy V. Tuma, his entire career with TEXACO, starting at the Port Arthur refinery, and within five years, transferred into the safety division. On retirement in December 1978, he was Chief Safety Engineer and/or Coordinator-Safety Services for all Texaco operations in the United States. He was President of Veterans of Safety 1960-61. In military service, he enlisted as an Army Private in 1940 and released with the rank of Lieut. Colonel in 1945 after service in the European area, acquiring several decorations.

VETERANS OF SAFETY claimed Quincy as their Secretary-Treasurer, for 10 years, National President 1960-61, on the Board, and an Honorary Member.

HONORS: Distinguished Service to Safety Award from the NSC, Certificate of Appreciation from American Petroleum Institute; Certified Safety Professional, Registered Professional Engineer; and in 1976 he was presented with the Honorary Sword from the Royal Academy of Engineers in the United Kingdom.



"A PROFESSIONAL'S PROFESSIONAL"
HERBERT W. HEINRICH First safety engineer elected to the **INTERNATIONAL INSURANCE HALL OF FAME**. Among the First Honorary members of the Veterans of Safety, the late Herbert W. Heinrich of the Travelers Insurance Companies was honored at the Insurance Hall of Fame convocation in Dallas, Texas by being elected to the International Insurance Hall of Fame, reserved for "major contributors to insurance thought and practice." Mr. Heinrich was the first safety engineer to be so recognized.

VOS ACTIVITIES IN THE MIDDLE YEARS

ASSE & VOS have done some work in the past where they jointly gave out awards. The VOS Who's Who in Safety publication covering 1984 has a picture of the Winners of the 1984 Veterans of Safety and ASSE Professional Paper Awards receiving their plaques from ASSE President Thomas Reilly (left), with VOS President Oscar F. Smith IV at the opposite end of the picture. The first place winner of the competition was David V. MacCollum. This was not the final award for David MacCollum as he was inducted into the Safety & Health Hall Of Fame International (SHHOFI) at their February 2010 meeting in a Chicago suburb. Several VOS members attended the ceremonies as they were there staffing a joint VOS/SHHOFI booth at the Construction Safety Conference.



CHICAGO - Winners of the 1984 Veterans of Safety and ASSE Professional Paper Awards receive their plaques from American Society of Safety Engineers President Thomas Reilly (left). Winners were David V. MacCollum, first place winner (\$500), Stephen Magyar, second place winner (\$400), accepting for third place winner (\$300) Lawrence Decker is Robert Marsh, a member of ASSE's Los Angeles Chapter; and Veterans of Safety 1984 President Oscar F. Smith IV.

WE ALL HAVE 9-1-1 BECAUSE A VOS MEMBER'S HOUSE BURNED DOWN!!!



HISTORICAL PERSPECTIVE OF 9-1-1

Bud Smith provided information concerning the now popular emergency telephone number (9-1-1). He indicated the material came from the late Quincy Tuma.

Veterans of Safety's efforts to establish a uniform emergency telephone number began in the mid-40's when one of its members (Frank Cosgrove of Waco, Texas) was unable to call the fire department when his home caught fire at night. The fire was apparently electrical in origin, and he had no electricity. In total darkness, he was unable to find the fire department number and, therefore, had to go through the telephone operator. At that time of the night there was a delay in operator response. Because of that and other delays, his home was almost totally destroyed before the fire department could put out the fire.

As a result, Veterans of Safety initiated a concentrated promotional effort for a uniform emergency telephone number designation. The project was known as the "Frank Cosgrove Story." Committee studies showed that "0" was not acceptable for a number of reasons, and other numbers were in conflict at various parts of the country. When Dr. Earle Hannaford, Safety Director for New York Telephone Company, became WETN Chairman, he gained the attention of executives of the American Telephone & Telegraph Company; and they agreed to establish this problem as a corporate project.

A computerized study was made to determine a telephone number that would be most acceptable, easily remembered, and have least conflict with existing numbers in use. This number was determined to be "9-1-1".

Procedural studies were also made to determine the most desirable method of implementing local handling of UFTN processing. It was decided that the initiative would need to be local in origin and the staffing of centers would also be a local undertaking.

AT&T agreed to underwrite the major costs of implementation -- not the least of which would be the conversion of pay telephones in 9-1-1 utilization areas to a "dial tone first" status. This would enable the caller to dial 9-1-1 without the necessity of activating the phone with coins.

At this point AT&T informally suggested that, in order to avoid conflicts and cross-purposes, Veterans of Safety discontinue its unilateral developmental efforts until it became necessary to promote the actual local establishment of 9-1-1 centers.

Subsequently, AT&T officially recognized Veterans of Safety as prime movers in what became the 9-1-1 project: the AT&T Chairman of the Board of Directors (Ben Gilmer at that time) accepted Honorary Membership in Veterans of Safety as a means of recognizing the efforts of the organization.

In the acceptance speech at the Annual Veterans of Safety Banquet in Chicago, Veterans of Safety was asked to assist in promoting local interest in establishing centers, bearing in mind that the conversion costs to AT&T would be tremendous and would have to be spread out over a reasonable period of time. It was estimated that the conversion costs in the first year would be as much as 50 to 55 million dollars.

VOS ACTIVITIES IN RECENT YEARS

The Veterans of Safety originally organized the Safety & Health Hall OF Fame (SHHOFI) in 1986 with their first class of inductees in 1987. SHHOFI is now operated by the Construction Safety Council in Hillside, IL.



Safety and Health Hall of Fame International

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Historical Perspectives of the Safety and Health Hall of Fame International (SHHOFI)

By Dr. Robert L. Marshall (Hall of Famer, 1998)

The concept of a Safety and Health Hall of Fame was first considered during an annual meeting of the Veterans of Safety in 1984. The overall objective was to develop an organization that could provide a living legacy for outstanding safety and health professionals who have given unselfishly to contribute to life that can be free of recognized hazards. Following that discussion, an ad hoc committee was appointed for the purpose of furthering that concept and to determine an appropriate site for having a "Hall of Fame". January of 1986 the committee had recommended Central Missouri State University as the site for SHHOFI. Also in January (7-9) a meeting of Veterans of Safety and CMSU/Warrensburg leaders was held to begin preparation for a formal agreement to establish the Safety and Health Hall of Fame at CMSU. On March 26, 1986, the agreement was signed and SHHOFI was officially established. Work began on establishing SHHOFI as a working organization. Bylaws were developed, circulated, and revised. By October 1986, a set of working Bylaws was approved. The introductory sections of the Bylaws spelled out the organization mission, purpose, and size.

- Recognition of individuals and organizations who have contributed significantly to the field of safety and health, as set forth in guidelines established by the governing bodies provided for herein;
- A resource location and permanent physical facility for significant (milestone) events impacting on safety/health professions/activities/programs;
- A location for ceremonial and other associated events;
- A depository for relevant documents, artifacts, and memorabilia;
- A location for the preservation and display of safety/health instruments, devices, and equipment.

SHHOFI was organized to provide participation from any organization having a vested interest in safety and health or concerned with elimination of recognized hazards. Those organizations willing to serve as a cooperating organization could designate a representative for the Governing Council, which in turn elected, from that membership, a board of Governors. The Board of Governors was empowered to employ an Executive Director to perform ongoing tasks on a day-by-day basis and also to provide expertise for actions requested or planned by the Board of Governors and the Governing Council. From that structure, committees were formed to provide action in each area of the organization's business. Central to SHHOFI's mission was the Selection Committee, which developed the format and process to be utilized in the selection of nominated candidates for induction to the Safety and Health Hall of Fame.

In October 1987 the first "class" of six individuals was inducted in Chicago during the National Safety Congress. From 1987 through 1996 SHHOFI remained at Central Missouri State University. During that period 52 individuals were inducted. SHHOFI was moved from Central Missouri State University to the National Safety Council following the November 1996 induction ceremony.

The Safety and Health Hall of Fame International was born of an idea promulgated by the Veterans of Safety (VOS). VOS obtained the cooperation of fourteen charter member organizations, a commitment for Central Missouri State University to house the organization and to provide monetary support for its leadership and program activities.

Following a planning study that indicated a difficult prospect of fund raising, plans were made to relocate to an entity which was highly visible in the field of safety, health, and environment. The result was an organizational move to the National Safety Council, Itasca, IL, where it has been housed and continued to be active in selecting individuals for the "Hall of Fame".

Update: The Safety and Health Hall of Fame International is in the process of moving from the National Safety Council (NCS) in Itasca, Illinois to the Construction Safety Council in Hillside, Illinois. At this writing, SHHOFI is seeking sponsoring members to assist the organization and to nominate members to join a newly constituted board of directors. The National Safety Council and Veterans of Safety are currently represented on a three person board, but it is anticipated that the number will grow to 10-15 in the near future. Individuals and organizations interested in financially supporting the organization are encouraged to contact Tom or Sharon Broderick at (800) 552-7744: Tom at extension 207 and Sharon at extension 206.

SHHOFI is an international treasure that honors the life work of men and women whose contributions to improving health, safety and the environment have positively impacted society. Going forward, the stewards of the organization will strive to promote SHHOFI and share the information about its inductees with the millions of people whose lives have been improved, even saved by their contributions.

The Safety and Health **Hall of Fame International**



CLASS OF 1987

Dr. John Grimaldi
Safety Management
United States of America

Dr. William Haddon, Jr.
Accident Research
United States of America

Dr. Norman Key
Safety Education
United States of America

Dr. John Lane
Transportation Safety
Australia

Dr. Ernest Mastromatteo
Industrial Safety
Canada

The Honorable Howard Pyle
Safety & Health Administration
United States of America

CLASS OF 1988

Frank E. Bird, Jr.
Loss Control
United States of America

Robert F. Borkenstein
Forensic Sciences
United States of America

James P. Economos
Traffic Courts
United States of America

James A. Newman
Biomechanics of Trauma
Canada

Amos E. Neyhart
Driver Education
United States of America

CLASS OF 1989

Richard W. Bishop
Traffic & Transportation Safety
United States of America

Nils Bohlin
Three-Point Safety Restraint
System
Sweden

Lawrence A. Corney
Electrical Safety &
Development of the Safety
Profession in the United
Kingdom
United Kingdom

Jerome Lederer
Flight and Space Safety
United States of America

Cecil G. Zaun
School Safety Education
United States of America

CLASS OF 1990

David P. Curley
Safety Engineering and
Leadership
United States of America

Hugh DeHaven
Crashworthiness
United States of America

Louis R. Morony
Traffic Safety Law
United States of America

William C. Pope
Safety Management Systems
United States of America

Herbert J. Stack
Safety Education
United States of America

William E. Tarrants
Safety Professional Certification
& Research
United States of America

CLASS OF 1991

William H. Franey
Uniform Traffic Safety, Codes,
Standards and Enforcement
United States of America

Earl D. Heath
Occupational Safety and Health
Education and Training
United States of America

George E. Smith
Occupational Safety and
Health, Related to Labor
United States of America

John P. Stapp
Safety Research
United States of America

CLASS OF 1992

Stanley A. Abercrombie
Safety Education
United States of America

Alice Hamilton
Industrial Medicine
United States of America

Robert H. Kirk
Safety Education and Research
United States of America

Fred A. Manuele
Safety Engineering and
Leadership
United States of America

Thomas A. Seals
Traffic Safety Education
United States of America

CLASS OF 1993

Peter C. Compes
Industrial Safety Research and
Education
Federal Republic of Germany

Elizabeth Dole
Leadership in Transportation
and Workplace Safety
United States of America

Henry J. Heimlich
Medical and Lifesaving
Techniques
United States of America

Herbert W. Heinrich
Safety Engineering and
Accident Cause Theory
(Domino Theory)
United States of America

William J. Mottel
Occupational Safety and Health
Management Application
United States of America

Leonard Ring
Human Factors/Ergonomics
Work in Back Injury Prevention
New Zealand

Richard G. Snyder
Education and
Scientific Research
(In Physical Anthropology)
United States of America

CLASS OF 1994

Theodore S. Ferry
Aviation Safety –
Ground and Air
United States of America

John D. J. Havard
Health and Safety
United Kingdom

Franklin M. Kreml
Law Enforcement
United States of America

Gerard F. Scannell
Safety Management
United States of America

Roberto S. Scaringella
Traffic Safety
Brazil

CLASS OF 1995

Morris E. Chafetz
Fulfillment of Life through
Participation and Moderation in
Positive Life Activities
United States of America

H. J. Matthysen
Industrial Safety
Republic of South Africa

Bernardino Ramazzini
Occupational Medicine
Italy

James Tye
Industrial Safety Management
United Kingdom

CLASS OF 1996

Lewis A. DeBlois
Safety Management in Industry
United States of America

Irmagene N. Holloway
Safety Education in Secondary/
Higher Education and Industry
United States of America

Charles O. Miller
Interdisciplinary and Systems
Approach to Accident
Prevention
United States of America

Leonard Sylvester
Research and Program
Implementation for
Construction Accident
Abatement
Canada

D.A. Weaver
Research, Teaching,
Publications for
Accident Prevention
United States of America

CLASS OF 1997

Donald S. Buck
Traffic Safety
United States of America

Allan St. John Holt, B.A.
Safety Management
and Education
England

John Donald Millar, M.D.
Occupational and
Environmental Health
United States of America

Dan Petersen, Ph.D.
Behavioral Approach to Safety
United States of America

Irving J. Selikoff, M.D.
Medical Research Related to
Occupational Health Effects
United States of America

CLASS OF 1998

Robert L. Marshall
Safety Education
United States of America

CLASS OF 1999

Franklin Mirer, Ph. D.
Certified Industrial Hygienist
Doctorate Degree in Chemistry
United States of America

A. J. Scardino, Jr., Ph. D.
Safety and Risk Management
Consultant
United States of America

CLASS OF 2000

Alfred C. Blackman
Safety Engineering and Safety
Management
United States of America

Franklin C. Haering
Education and Public Safety
United States of America

CLASS OF 2001

Soun-shik Chang
Occupational Safety and Health
Korea

James W. Brinkley
Aeronautical and Design Safety
United States of America

Daniel E. Della-Giustina, Ph.D.
Safety Education and Research
United States of America

CLASS OF 2002

George Swartz, CSP
Safety in the Workplace
United States of America

Dr. Im Goung YUN
Industrial –
Occupational Health
Korea

CLASS OF 2003

**Dr. Roger L. Brauer, CSP, P.E.,
CPE**
Safety Engineering and
Ergonomics
United States of America

CLASS OF 2004

Mr. Joseph M. Kaplan
Highway Safety With an
Emphasis on Seat Belts
United States of America

CLASS OF 2005

Dr. John H. Olson
Safety Engineering and
Ergonomics
United States of America



CLASS OF 2010

David V. MacCollum, CSP, P.E.
Construction Safety through Design-Based Methodology
United States of America

Nominated by: *Hazard Information Foundation, Inc.*

Career Highlights: David MacCollum is best known for his efforts to protect workers from hazards. He has developed and invented several design-based strategies for safety planning that are currently in use today by recognized companies. During the past fifty years David has pioneered the use of design tools to identify hazards, propose remedies, and eliminate mishaps. Through his work during this period, David has investigated and quantified the impact of failure to address construction safety at the time of design or construction planning. From his exhaustive research and documentation, he has provided the industry with the means to systematically adopt design approaches to hazard prevention resulting in safer work sites and competitive advantage for the contractor in the marketplace. The result of David's life time of work provides safety practitioners with specific strategies to evaluate the benefits of designing physical features to prevent hazards at a fraction of the cost of injury and property damage due to unchecked hazardous circumstances.

Throughout his career, much of David's work has been dedicated to dispelling the well entrenched belief held by industry professionals, that failure (an accident) can be either partly or completely attributed to the action, inaction, or mistakes of the worker. This predisposition is commonly referred to as "human error." To counteract this belief during the past fifty years David has provided construction managers, engineers, architects and construction industry executives with the means to "connect the dots" from discovery and consolidation of hazards. His vast work compels industry to take the responsibility to design safe work conditions that ensure the health, safety and well-being of every worker.

David has investigated and archived multiple accidents through a thorough root-cause-analysis methodology. From his investigations he has been able to alert multiple industries to the potential of accidents and liability from a single defective (hazardous) machine used in multiple applications like construction, mining, lumbering, petrochemical extraction/refinery, agriculture and transportation. He has been instrumental by providing industry with designs and strategies to eliminate these defects. The result of documenting accidents and offering designs to eliminate hazards has protected workers these past fifty years from being seriously injured, being maimed or killed.

One of David's greatest contributions has been being the curator of his hazard information library which he donated to the Utah Valley University in 2005. In this capacity he has archived over 1.2 million documents dedicated to chronicling the root cause of injuries during construction and construction operations. The library further archives the time lag between when a hazard kills or injures someone and the time it is finally controlled by design, standards, or other means. The library has become a valuable resource to industry, education and government agencies responsible for the safety and well-being of workers. Even today, David labors to have the vast library documents digitized and made accessible through web-based services to those who are interested in a design approach to safety. The library is a legacy to David MacCollum's excellence in research and accident investigation and serves as a testimony to his life's work, protecting workers while advancing the competitive advantage of industry.

Mr. MacCollum's published books: *Construction Safety Engineering Principles* (2006); *Building Design and Construction Hazards* (2005); *Construction Safety Planning* (1995); and *Crane Hazards and Their Prevention* (1993).

There have been 20 classes of SHHOFI inductees, with 71 members having been inducted.



Although many VOS interests relate to machines that have been around for a number of years, this photo was taken circa 1994 when a number of members took a tour through Whiteman AFB which at that time was the only B2 bomber base in the world. The B2 in the background is in one of the base hangars. The base housed the 509th. bomber wing which had been around since WW II, and is the only wing in the world to ever have flown nuclear combat.

CURRENT VOS ACTIVITIES

VOS continues their efforts to improve safety. Currently the Hawaii Chapter of VOS is developing a Safety Alliance among various local Safety and Health organizations and professional groups. Other current members of the Hawaii Safety Alliance include the ASSE – Hawaii Chapter., Oahu Fleet safety organization, and the Building Industry Association – Hawaii. There are a number of other organizations considering joining the Alliance. This Alliance is focusing on a training/networking/safety professional think tank concept which is really getting peoples attention. The VOS Hawaii – Chapter is working on a Safety Resource Guidance Project (SRGP) which is giving them platform for community service efforts. They have been building a relationship with the Department of Education – Hawaii, helping the school system deal with safety & health issues. Over the last few months they have been helping to provide instructors for a 30 hour OSHA training class being conducted at one of the schools on Oahu which they

describe as “very rewarding”. Future areas of support will be conducting safety surveys at various schools in the state.

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February 15, 2011

Dear Governor Nixon;

We of the Veterans of Safety International, suggest that you or your staff review your state licensing of youth drivers, due to the many auto accidents on graduation night, causing deaths and serious injuries.

We suggest that you seriously consider a law to require all drivers of this age group to attend a Certified Drivers Training Course.

The Certified Driver Training Course should include:

1. The effects of alcohol and drugs on drivers.
2. The effects of speed on control of the vehicle.
3. The effect of distractions such as cell phone use and too many passengers on drivers.
4. State regulations covering driver control laws.

The above training should be at least eight to twelve hours in length and be required to be completed prior to applying for a drivers license.

This proposed Driver Training will not prevent all of the accidents, but will prevent some of them

In closing, we, The Veterans of Safety, are passing this suggestion on the all United States Governors.

Yours truly,

Wendell W. Wahlstedt
President
Veterans of Safety International

VOS sent this letter to the Governor of Missouri (where the VOS is based) recommending more safety training for young drivers getting their first driver's license. This was an outgrowth of recommendations in 2009 from one of our Life Members,

Marion Rupe, who felt youthful drivers needed better driver training. The same letter is being sent to the Governors of all 50 states.



VOS has two meetings a year. This picture was taken during dinner at the September 2010 meeting. On the left side starting at the front: Jack C. Schuldt/Board Member, Dr. Nigel Ellis/V.P., Jack Hirschmann/Board Member, Dianna Bryant/Executive Director, Peggy Wahlstedt, & Carolyn Everett. On the right side starting from the front: Christopher M. Gates/Council of Ambassadors, James R. Brown/Board Member, Jeane' Furber/Council of Ambassadors, Safety Herb Everett/Dean of the Council of Ambassadors, & Wendell W. Wahlstedt/President.

There has always been some crossover in membership between ASSE & VOS. For example, the newest member of the VOS Board of Directors is Warren K. Brown, Past President of ASSE. In addition the ASSE News from the middle of 2010 reports ASSE awards to two VOS Board Members:



Nigel Ellis fellow award

Dr. Nigel Ellis, V.P. of VOS was named ASSE Society Fellow, ASSE's highest honor. This picture is of Dr. Ellis (on right) accepting the award. Christopher M. Gates, VOS Council of Ambassadors, received the ASSE Charles V. Culbertson Outstanding Volunteer Service Award. Also in 2010, Chris Gates was recognized by the Vice President of the ASSE Council on Practices & Standards. Chris was awarded the Significant Contributor Award by the Council on Practices and Standards of ASSE for his work on the Council on Practices & Standards, and his work as Chairman of the Council's Awards & Honors committee.

VOS also took notice of Chris Gates' contributions to safety when he was named a Ben Williamson Fellow Award winner at the VOS September 2010 meeting, this picture



is of Chris (on right) accepting this award from Wendell W. Wahlstedt, VOS President. Receipt of this award is a high honor. There have only been two other members so named since 2004.

Over the years there have been so many times that there has been cooperation between ASSE & VOS that it calls to mind the quote: “We are not the same person, but we both walk the same pathway.”

CONGRATULATIONS TO ASSE FOR HITTING 100!!!