February 2023 NFASSP Newsletter

Hello Everyone,

I hope the December blizzard is now just a memory for everyone and everyone is doing well.

Member Survey

We have an opportunity for Chapter members like you to share your input on chapter meetings and topics. To that end, the Executive Board has prepared the questions below for your feedback. The survey should take you less than five minutes to complete. The Executive Board would be very grateful for your participation in this survey.

Click this link to start the survey: https://forms.gle/dTAcz7vcJojyrwQo9.

Please reply to the survey by close of business on Tuesday, February 28th.

Our January, 2023 Meeting speaker was David Bissonette on the topic of Disaster Preparation and Business Continuity. David's presentation and discussion was great! He was in charge of disaster planning for the Town of Clarence when Flight 3407 went down in Clarence Center in February 2009. His leadership during that event led him to write about how he was able to process it as well as what he did to be ready to lead should an event like this happened.

Board members got together to wish each other a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year along with discuss Chapter Business. A topic that keeps coming up among us is: Why don't our Members come to Meetings? We try to put together a program that should have interest among our Members, keep meeting costs low as well as find accessible venues. One idea that came up was to put a Survey out to find out what will help us help you. Please take the time to respond to this Survey; we want to provide a high quality experience for you, the Members of the Niagara Frontier Chapter.

We received the results of the vote on our Bylaws changes. These changes that were required by ASSP National regarding the change and composition of the new Advisory Board. 25 of you responded in the affirmative, with 1 abstention. We want to thank those who took the time to respond to this request for approval, new bylaws will be posted to the website. What this means is this: We now have another elected position that will represent the interests of the Niagara Frontier Chapter to the ASSP Advisory Board. The Advisory Board will make recommendations regarding direction and governance to the ASSP Board of Directors. The Advisory Board will most likely meet virtually, so this can be done from your office or home (or home office). It is a key position for our Chapter and a good way to get to know Board Members, Chapter Members and gain insight in to how ASSP works. We are looking for Candidates!

For anyone who helped others, served their Community or sheltered folks during the Christmas Blizzard of 2022; thank you very much! Being without electric power, heat or stuck in your home (worse yet, your car) is fairly scary. For those who were stuck at work for 3 days (or more) because you were deemed essential; thank you very much! Your service was recognized and appreciated! To those of you who are First Responders, our admiration and thanks for helping to keep our community safe and helping keep people from harm!