Dear Chapter President,

Thank you for your leadership in an organization that strives every day to keep millions of men and women safe on the job.

As you know, workplace deaths occur at a rate of twelve fatalities per day. This grieves me, and as a leader in safety I’m sure it grieves you too.

You also know the enormous impact of one workplace death to a family and a community. In the aftermath, how can we support the families of those who have died?

The Foundation developed the Family Scholarship Fund to give financial assistance via college scholarships to families who have lost a loved one in a workplace incident.

Our hope is that these scholarships, open to the spouses and children of those who have died from a workplace incident, will minimize the financial impact of the loss while encouraging continuing education.

Today I’m asking you for three things:

- Consider whether anyone connected with your chapter might be eligible for this scholarship. Announce it to your chapter and encourage them to spread the word.

- If there are eligible applicants connected with your chapter, act as a sponsor. Each applicant requires a member sponsor, whose only responsibility is to vouch that the applicant is the spouse or child of a worker who died in a workplace incident. Visit http://www.asse.org/foundation/fsf/ to apply.

- Consider a gift to the Family Scholarship Fund in memory of the workers who remain in our hearts. Donate online at http://www.asse.org/foundation/contribute/donation.php.

We appreciate your help in bringing this scholarship to those who need it most. Thank you for honoring those who have died in workplace incidents by caring for the families left behind.

Sincerely,
John Henshaw
Family Scholarship Fund Chairman