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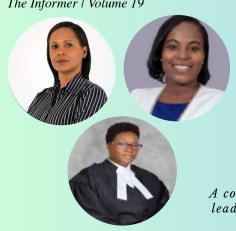
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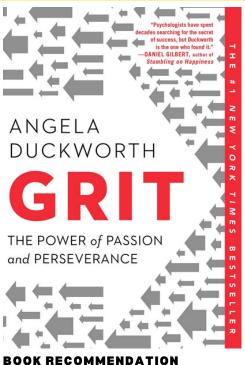
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### IN THE NEWS

ASIS Jamaica Chapter Secretary: Mrs. Antoinette Johnson-Peart Regional Agri-Services &Facilities/Engineering Manager at Nestle Jamaica

PSP Virtual Study Course: June - December 2023 (Tuesdays & Thursdays 6-9 pm via Microsoft Teams) For additional information, kindly visit us at www.asisjachapter.org and @ www.asisonline.org



In this book, Angela Duckworth shows anyone striving to succeed that the secret to achieving success isn't just talent, but a blend of passion and persistence she calls "grit." Most importantly, she shows us that grit can be learned. This book is truly life changing



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"The Security Industry has taught her how to effectively manage herself in a keen manner through active observation, planning and investigation."

Antoinette Johnson-Peart. A force to be reckoned with, having over fifteen years experience in the Loss Prevention/Security& Safety Industry. She credits her experience at Guardsman Alarms as the foundation in her quest to grow and develop in the field. Antoinette's greatest accomplishment is the attainment of three higher academic degrees (A BSc and Two MScs) prior to her thirtieth birthday. Antoinette has a BSc. (Hons) in Biotechnology & Zoology, an MSc in Natural Resources Management and an MSc in Occupational & Environmental Health and Safety. Additionally, she is a certified Risk Manager and a Quality, Environmental and Safety Systems Auditor.

She has been married for fifteen years (15) years and trusts God in all her endeavors. Her hobbies includes reading, eating and travelling. Her favourite books are "Freakanomics" by Stephen Levit and Stephen Dunbar and "The Power of Now" by Eckart Tolle. She is a Christian who lives by the Scripture "Iron Sharpeneth Iron" Proverbs 27:17.

## WIS MONTHLY CONNECT

### **FEATURE**

"Successful People are not gifted; they just work hard, then succeed on purpose" -Unknown

Iron sharpeneth iron; So a man sharpeneth the countenance of his friend. King James Version (KJV) Proverbs 27:17

In 2016 Antoinette joined Nestle (Jamaica) as the Regional Agri Services Facilities/Engineering Manager during the construction phase of their multi operational facility. This facility houses their factory, corporate offices, warehouse and distribution center; she was integral in the reengineering of the physical infrastructure for enhanced operational safety and security. Her passion for Standards and Quality Management lead her to acquire an ISO certification in safety and security for the facility which is located at Ferry Industrial Park.

The Security Industry has taught her how to effectively manage herself in a keen manner through active observation, planning and investigation.

Antoinette has been a member of ASIS international and the Jamaican chapter for over 2 years. She currently holds the position as the Chapter Secretary. It is her intention to pursue the Certified Protection Professional (CPP) certification through ASIS in the near future, which, she guarantees will aid with additional knowledge and resources required to implement more strategic plans to improve efficiency and compliance in her current operations.



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### HURRICANE HAZARDS

While hurricanes pose the greatest threat to life and property, tropical storms and depression can also be devastating. The primary hazards from tropical cyclones (which include tropical depressions, tropical storms, and hurricanes) are storm surge flooding, inland flooding from heavy rains, destructive winds, tornadoes, and high currents.

- Storm surge is the abnormal rise of water generated by a storm's winds. Storm surge and large battering waves can result in large loss of life and cause massive destruction along the coastline.
- Storm surge can travel far inland, especially along bays, rivers, and estuaries.
- Flooding from heavy rains is the second leading cause of fatalities from hurricanes. Widespread torrential rains associated with these storms often cause flooding in low lying areas. This flooding can persist for several days after a storm has dissipated.
- Wind from a hurricane can destroy buildings and manufactured homes. Signs, roofing material, and

- other items left outside can become flying missiles during hurricanes.
- Dangerous waves produced by a tropical cyclone's strong winds can pose a significant hazard to coastal residents and mariners. These waves can cause deadly rip currents, significant beach erosion, and damage to structures along the coastline, even when the storm is more than far offshore.

### BEFORE A HURRICANE

To prepare for a hurricane, take the following measures:

- To begin preparing, you should build an emergency kit and make a family communications plan.
- Know your surroundings.
- Learn the elevation level of your property and whether the land is flood-prone. This will help you know how your property will be affected when storm surge or tidal flooding are forecasted.
- Identify bridges and fordings in your area and determine whether they pose a hazard to you.

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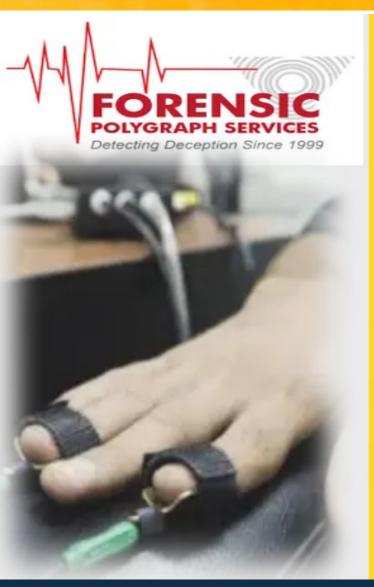
 Learn community hurricane evacuation routes and how to find higher ground. Determine where you would go and how you would get there if you needed to evacuate.

### MAKE PLANS TO SECURE YOUR PROPERTY:

- Cover all windows, permanent storm shutters offer the best protection for windows. A second option is to board up windows with 5/8" marine plywood, cut to fit and ready to install. Tape does not prevent windows from breaking.
- Install straps or additional clips to securely fasten your roof to the frame structure. This will reduce roof damage.

- Be sure trees and shrubs around your home are well trimmed so they are more wind resistant.
- Clear drains, loose and clogged rain gutters.
- Plan to bring in all outdoor furniture, decorations, garbage cans and anything else that is not tied down.
- Install a generator for emergencies (if practical).
- If in a high-rise building, be prepared to take shelter on or below the 3<sup>rd</sup> floor.
- Consider building a safe room (for shelter in place).





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# Enterprise Security 66 By adopting the ESRM framework, physical security professionals can move beyon

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he importance of physical security professionals adapting to and advocating for an enterprise security risk management program cannot be overstated. With the ever-increasing threat landscape and the growing need for a comprehensive approach to security, physical security professionals must integrate themselves into the broader security ecosystem to ensure the safety and protection of an organization.

Enterprise Security Risk Management (ESRM) is a holistic approach to security that integrates physical, cyber, and operational security into a comprehensive risk management program. The ESRM model provides a framework for organizations to identify, assess, and manage their security risks through collaboration between departments, and a continuous risk management cycle.

While ESRM may seem like a departure from traditional physical security practices, it is, in fact, an evolution of physical security. ESRM recognizes that physical security is just one aspect of overall security and must be integrated with other security disciplines to ensure comprehensive risk management.

By adopting the ESRM framework, physical security professionals can move beyond the traditional silos of security and engage in cross-functional collaboration with other departments.

Physical security professionals must embrace this shift in security philosophy and integrate themselves into the ESRM framework. By doing so, they can better understand the organization's overall security posture, identify security risks that may impact the physical security environment, and collaborate with other security disciplines to mitigate those risks.

By adopting the ESRM framework, physical security professionals can move beyond the traditional silos of security and engage in cross-functional collaboration with other departments to identify and mitigate security risks. This collaboration can lead to a more comprehensive approach to security that encompasses physical, cyber, and operational security.

By advocating for an ESRM program, physical security professionals can demonstrate the value of their role in the overall security ecosystem. By showing how their expertise can contribute to a more comprehensive approach to security, they can increase their visibility within the organization and become more integral to the overall security program.

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The benefits of an ESRM program go beyond just improved security. An ESRM program can lead to increased efficiency and cost savings by streamlining security processes and reducing redundancies. By collaborating with other departments and sharing information, security professionals can identify areas where security practices can be optimized, resulting in a more efficient and cost-effective security program.

ESRM can also help organizations become more resilient to security threats. By continuously assessing and managing security risks, organizations can adapt to changing threats and minimize the impact of security incidents.

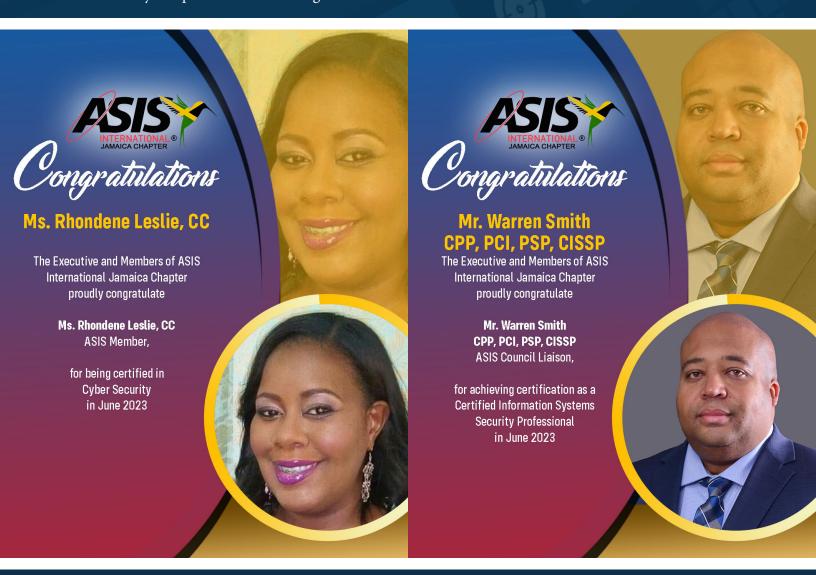
Physical security professionals must recognize the importance of their role in the broader security ecosystem and integrate themselves into the ESRM framework to ensure the safety and protection of their organization.



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# A Look at Power Utility and Physical Security

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esearch has indicated that with the rise in cyberattacks, power utilities also face threats to their physical infrastructure to include poles, wires, substations, transformers and generating facilities. These elements comprise the means of how power is delivered to customers. Physical security threats to the electric infrastructure which includes, but is not limited to, copper and oil theft has been going on for several years. According to a Jamaica Gleaner article dated Sunday August 14, 2016, the Jamaica Public Service Company (JPS) said the illegal extraction of oil by thieves from a transformer at their Blackstonedge substation located in the parish of St Catherine triggered a power outage. As a result, some 2,000 customers in sections of St Catherine, St Mary, and St Ann were left without power supply for several hours.

Power systems in any country are prime targets for planned coordinated cyber and or physical attacks. It is of utmost importance that utilities prepare themselves to protect their power grid and other infrastructure. To ensure that this is achieved the best protection will come from an amalgamation of risk management analysis, grid design, security technology and hardening of important power facilities such as distribution sub-stations.

One strategy that power utility companies can use to minimize the negative effects of attacks is to implement resilient security measures that are designed collectively to deter, detect, delay, assess, communicate and respond to identified potential physical damage.

Protecting the power grid most not be taken for granted. As such, utility companies must take matters into their own hands and be prepared for potential attacks and to think like the attacker. They must adopt a proactive all-inclusive security posture and embrace offensive security systems.



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## **Private Security** is Relevant and **Critical**

Carlos Pipher, CPP, PCI, PSP **Newsletter Editor** 

fter 9/11 private security became more dynamic on the global scene. The 9/11 event caused governments, corporations, businesses, institutions, and the church to look at security as a proactive mechanism to mitigate risk. The increased demand for security services resulted in exponential growth for the industry and provided job creation. Businesses and citizens need protection to protect their assets whether they are tangible or intangible.

Critical infrastructures, government facilities, airports, seaports, and public/private sector service facilities are all protected by private security personnel. Many security personnel were former law enforcement officers or were in the military, the industry has gained a lot from their years of experience and expertise. Security measures within the International Ship and Port Facility (ISPS) Code under the Safety of Life at Sea (SOLAS) Convention is conducted by private security. Annex 17 of the International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO) Convention that governs all matters relating to airport and aircraft security are conducted by private security. Screening of passengers at airports is very critical to passenger and aircraft security.

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Assets are exposed to many risks, which is a constant concern and causes fear resulting in private security to treat that fear and to prevent an unwanted situation. Risk is inherent in any venture, including life. People naturally feel safer behind high walls, with mobile patrols and armed response units, why? because there is less risk of being harmed.

Security companies deploy security officers and in so doing accept the risk to keep assets in a safe and secure manner. Private security aids law enforcement, it sometimes 'replaces' the Police by providing a service that lies between those extremes. There are known instances where private security personnel have prevented a crime from being committed, tactical procedures are used at times and sometimes their mere presence is a deterrent.

Innovations in technology have allowed the industry to be more far reaching in its applications and thus be able to offer a wide menu of services in the field of electronic security and digital security. Security officers should be trained properly and evaluated regularly to validate their competence. This article first appeared in the Jamaica Daily Gleaner on June 19, 2023

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### STEP 1. READ THE CERTIFICATION HANDBOOK ONLINE

The handbook will provide all the information you will need to know to include the differences between ASIS's four certification programs and which is best for you, eligibility requirements, fees, studying options and exam content.

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### **STEP 2. CHOOSE A CERTIFICATION**



The Certified Protection Professional (CPP®) is considered the "gold standard" for security management professionals. This certification validates your knowledge in all areas of security management. Eligibility requirements include 5-7 years of security experience and 3 years in responsible charge of a security function.



The Professional Certified Investigator (PCI®) certification provides demonstrable proof of an individual's knowledge and experience in case management, evidence collection, and preparation of reports and testimony to substantiate findings. Requirements include 3-5 years of investigations experience, with at least 2 years in case management.



The Physical Security Professional (PSP®) demonstrates your knowledge in physical security assessments, application, design, and integration of physical security systems, and implementation of security measures. Eligibility requirements include 3-5 years of experience in the physical security field.



The Associate Protection Professional (APP) designation provides the first "rung" on the security manager's career ladder. It is for those with 1-3 years of security management experience and measures the professional's knowledge of security management fundamentals, business operations, risk management, and response management.

### STEP 3. ENROL IN THE JAMAICA CHAPTER VIRTUAL STUDY COURSE

The Jamaica Chapter currently offers two virtual study courses to prepare persons to pass the CPP and PSP exams. The CPP Study Course consists of 120 contact hours and is usually held from January to June. The PSP Study Course consists of 90 contact hours and is held from July to November each year. Self-help courses and the required reading material are available through ASIS International.

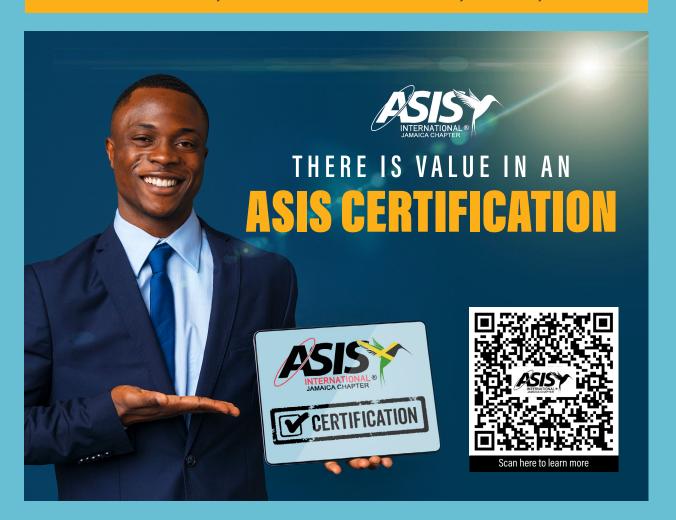
### STEP 4. APPLY FOR CERTIFICATION

To make the application process quick and easy, you will be required to provide the following information:

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- ✓ Names and contact information for three references who can verify your work experience.
- ✓ Name of supervisor who can verify your employment.
- √ Payment for the application and exam fees.

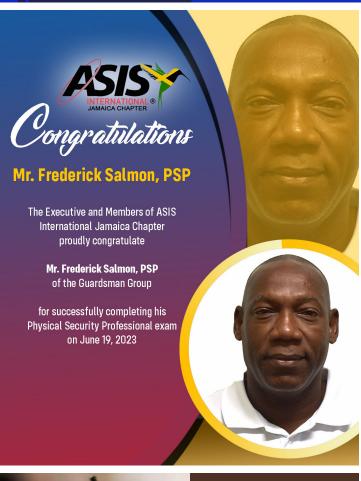
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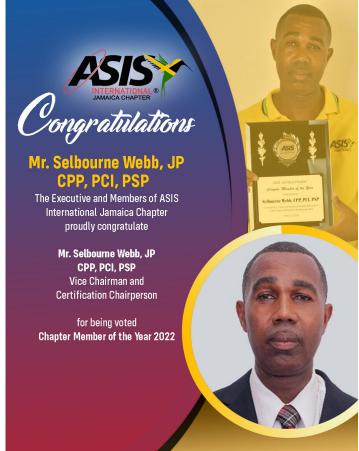
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