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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



Ken Clark
President

Welcome Back!

We hope all of you had a wonderful summer and are ready to join your fellow Philly ASPE members in the various activities we have planned for you in the coming months. Last year we increased our membership by more than 17% and we've continued to see additional growth over the summer.

As I enter my fourth year as your Chapter President, I'm very appreciative of my experiences within ASPE over the 30+ years that I've been a member. It's expanded my horizons, afforded me the opportunity to forge new friendships and network throughout the industry. I've been on & off the board of directors for more than 20 years and I've been excited to be part of an organization that emphasizes education. In May, we will hold board elections and I hope many of you will seriously consider serving on the board, so that you too can enjoy the opportunities that it's provided to me. If you're interested, let us know. We host monthly "virtual" board meetings and you are welcome to join us.

My appreciation to Paul Silvestre who has worked very hard to introduce and maintain the NEW Philadelphia ASPE Chapter website. We've changed the domain, so please visit www.aspephilly.org when you get the chance. If you didn't receive a welcome email and a request for you visit the website and to create a password, please contact Paul. The website now also provides you with the opportunity to pay online with a credit card for all of our upcoming events. You asked for this change and now you have it!

Planned Philly Chapter activities to look forward to in the coming months: Plumbing School; Cornhole tournament; the annual Golf Outing at the Pennsauken Country Club on Thursday, September 14th and the return of the Philly Biennial Product show on October 19th.

Please join us on Thursday, September 28th at 5:30pm for our next live educational dinner meeting. We hope to see you there!



Chapter Presidents Since Inception:

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You are invited to attend the
ASPE Philadelphia Chapter
September 2023 Technical Dinner Meeting

THURSDAY, September 28th
5:30 pm to 7:30pm
(Technical Program will between 6-7pm)

Education Topic:

Topic: Applications and Usage of CMT
Speaker: Owen Murphy of Omegaflex

Cost:

ASPE MEMBERS WITH RESERVATION = \$30

Cost is \$50 for ALL OTHERS

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RSVP:

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LOCATION:

Maggiano's Little Italy @ Cherry Hill Mall
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Upcoming Schedule of Technical Meetings:

10/19/23	Product Show - NIH - DRM Gas and Vacuum Systems
10/19/23	Product Show - Commercial Heat Pump Water Heaters
10/19/23	Product Show - Rainwater Harvesting
11/16/23	Online Joint Meeting - Expansion Tanks
12/14/23	Online Joint Meeting - Flush Valve Control Stop Designs Whitepaper
01/25/24	Rivers Casino - Commercial Restroom of the Future
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04/25/24	Rivers Casino - Design of Polymer Special Waste Piping and Neutralization Systems
05/23/24	Rivers Casino - Commercial High-Purity Water Systems & Applications
06/20/24	PHCC Facility Tour

For more info about our upcoming events please visit www.ASPEPhilly.org

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TECHNICAL CORNER



Steve Ziga
Vice President,
Technical

Welcome Back ASPE PHL members and friends! I hope that your summers were well spent with days at the BBQ, pool, beach or better. I'm a bit reluctant to let go of the summer as it seemingly went by to quick. Unfortunately we cannot stop time and have to move along with the masses. That said... the 2023-24 ASPE PHL calendar year has officially begun. The Philly Board is very much looking forward to the year ahead as we've got a lot of great events planned.

We have an excellent educational calendar ahead this year. This month's technical presentation will be on Corrugated Medical Tubing (CMT). It's a new (to me) technology in the healthcare sector and will be interesting to learn about.

Following that we will be hosting our 21st Product show on Thursday October 19th live at our new location at The Greater

Philadelphia EXPO Center at Oaks, PA. This is going to be a great event w/ over 60 of our affiliates and supporting manufacturers present to discuss plumbing systems technology. We will also be offering three educational sessions that qualify for 1 CEU hour each. Please visit our website www.aspephilly.org for more information and to register.

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**By Patrick Mullen, P.E.,
Vice President Legislation**

I love the Fall. September brings the home stretch of baseball, NASCAR and the start of college and professional football and yes, all the possibilities and opportunities of another season of ASPE. What is on the agenda? I don't know, I was on my summer vacation and didn't give it a thought until I received a friendly email from Mr. Kevin Brace. His email he started with:

"I hope your summer is going well. If you need any newsletter article ideas for this fall, the DOE has proposed new regulations for water heaters by 2029, which states the most popular models (probably 40 and 50 gallons) will have to be heat pump water heaters. For more information you can visit ..." and he provided the link. Boy he is a good salesman. I fell for it. Click bait. Wham!

It took me to the energy.gov website, right to the article. It went on about saving consumers \$11.4 billion on energy and water bills annually. It would take effect in 2029 if finalized and is "expected to save Americans approximately \$198 billion and reduce 501 million metric tons of harmful carbon dioxide emissions cumulatively over 30 years—roughly equivalent to the combined annual emissions of 63 million homes, or approximately 50 percent of homes in the United States." You can read the entire article at the website by following the link Kevin provided to me and is included below:

<https://www.energy.gov/articles/doe-proposes-new-energy-efficiency-standards-water-heaters-save-americans-more-11-billion#:~:text=The%20proposal%20would%20require%20the,efficiency%20gains%20through%20condensing%20technology>

If you like to research proposed code and law changes, click on the link above. At the bottom of that page, click on the last word in the article "homepage". On that page, go down to the 5TH bullet and click on the last few words "access rulemaking dockets and documents.". Come to this month's meeting and tell me what you have found. Think of all the possibilities and opportunities!

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James Wardell
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Your Philadelphia Chapter Board of Directors are thrilled to be kicking-off another exciting, fun & educational ASPE season with you, our valued members & guests. It takes an army & we're most fortunate to have the dedicated leadership & troops more than willing to volunteer their time to make others better. A sincere Thank You to all who participate & those that facilitate the 2023-2024 season of events; we wouldn't be here without you & you wouldn't be here without us. Together we do this!

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Marianne Bjonnes
Education
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Thank you everyone in advance for helping with the School, whether you are an instructor, a webmaster, you've

scheduled the Zoom sessions or just passed the flyer to the next person. ASPE Philadelphia could not do this without you.



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Report Issued:	February 26, 2018.		
Client:	Aqua-Rex 3301 Spring Mountain Road Ste 18 Las Vegas, NV 89102	Contact:	Jonny Seccombe
Source of Samples:	The samples were shipped to IAPMO R&T Lab from Aqua-Rex, and received in good condition on October 11, 2017.		
Date of Testing:	October 25, 2017 through December 15, 2017.		
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Scope of Testing:	The purpose of the testing is to determine the efficacy of the Scale Prevention Device per section 5 of IAPMO IGC 335-2018, entitled "Rapid Scaling Test for Scale Prevention Devices".		
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Lauren Berenato
WOA Liaison

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Lauren.Berenato@jomar.com. I look forward to working with you all and helping to bring great events to our chapter.

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The next AYP virtual presentation will be on:

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 20, 2023
12-1PM EST

TOPIC: Heat Pumps and Refrigerants
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