## ASPE Report

### Monthly News from the American Society of Plumbing Engineers



From the President's Pen Carol Johnson, CPD, LEED AP, CFI, FASPE 2018–2020 ASPE President aspepres@aspe.org

### ASPE — Impact

ASPE is built with our members. The key to building together is communication. I have had many calls with our members during this term. It has been important to me to reach out and hear what our members need, to understand what message a member receives, and to learn what members want to see in the future. How can ASPE benefit its members? Members are important to this Society.

My most recent conversation was with the Nominating Committee. This was a time of interaction with several members when I got to answer questions on what my experience has been and what goals I have moving forward and also to truly understand what message the member receives.

My focus is to keep ASPE strong during these times. My focus is working with the Board to provide everything we can for our members. My answer is that we achieve this all one step at a time. We stay focused on continuing to grow and innovate our abilities. We increase our voice in this industry. We stay focused on our strengths and our intellectual property. We stay focused on building relationships with industry partners, and we stay focused on quality for our membership.

ASPE is achieving for our members:

- » We are diligently working toward a design guide with the Legionella Working Group. ASPE is increasing our voice in the industry as we develop this guide for our members, via communication with industry partners such as NSF International and ASHRAE.
- » ASPE Connect is a huge hit. It is a member benefit, but nonmembers also have access with our free 30-day trial. This is a huge resource for all levels of our membership, and it is a great introduction to show nonmembers the amazing tools that ASPE has to offer.
- » ASPE has increased committee participation using ASPE Connect. Streamlining communication and continuous archiving of activity help our committees work more effectively.
- » ASPE Staff is constantly impacting the codes and standards world. Both Billy Smith, FASPE, our Executive Director/CEO, and Ramiro Mata, Sr. Director of Technical & Regulatory Affairs, are diligently participating on committees with industry partners. This increases awareness of our mission within this industry. ASPE impact gives our members a stronger voice!
- » We have improved communication with our Chapters and will continue to prioritize better communication. We have better tools and a new website to facilitate this goal.
- » ASPE continues working with Chapters to help them provide virtual meetings and offer better tools to interact with each other.
- » We are working to help Chapters make the ASPE experience a great experience. ASPE has and continues to streamline Chapter operations to allow for a more rewarding experience.
- » ASPE has provided more technical programs and more educational programs—all through the hard work of the Board, Staff, and our members. ASPE is an amazing organization.
- » ASPE is committed to our members: giving them a voice in the industry, providing tools for them to do their jobs, and developing a platform for communication with employers to increase awareness that ASPE members are an asset to companies. I saved this for last for a reason. During this unprecedented time, it is more important than ever to have a voice within your company and for ASPE to support you and the message that you are a valuable, educated, and skilled employee.

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The 2020 ASPE Convention & Expo is around the corner. First, let me say how proud I am of our Staff and the Education Committee for their hard work on this event, putting together the educational program and Business Meeting. ASPE's Convention is professional development at its best. Anyone looking to expand their knowledge in plumbing system design, as well as earn CEUs, needs to consider the ASPE Convention & Expo. You can learn more about it at expo.aspe.org.

It takes our members and our Board to keep ASPE strong and growing. Our members are amazing, and your Board is filled with amazing folks. Your Region Directors—Paul Silvestre, FASPE, Keith Bush, CPD, CSI, GPD, Steve Mastley, CPD, FASPE, Scott Steindler, CPD, LEED AP, ARCSA AP (IS), GPD, GGP, and Bryan Hutton, CPD—have worked tirelessly to keep our Chapter leaders informed. VP Education, Blair Minyard, PE, CDT, CPD, has revolutionized the Education Committee, VP Technical Don Strickland, CPD, GPD, FASPE, has worked magic with credentialing and technical programs. Treasurer Jim Zebrowski, PE, CPD, FASPE, keeps a close eye on our finances. VP Affiliate Tom Sharp is a conduit with our Affiliates. VP Legislative Brianne Hall, PE, CPD, LEED AP BD+C, GGP, has done an amazing job with legislative activities. VP Membership Vinny Falkowski, PE, PMP, CCM, has made strides in membership, and AYP Liaison Christoph Lohr, PE, CPD, LEED AP BD+C, ASSE 6020, has done a great job with ASPE Young Professionals. Even more amazing than the Board is our members. We are built by all of our members, new

Let's continue to work together to build our profession, and let's build our Society. This is your time! This is your ASPE family. Let's support each other and build ASPE together.

Please contact me any time as we grow this Society and our profession. Please contact me with your ideas and comments.

### Two ASPE Chapter Leaders Have Passed

With a heavy heart we announce that Scott Sansbury and Ira Schumer both died in June.

Scott joined ASPE in 2006 as an Affiliate member of the Raleigh Chapter. He served as Treasurer of the Chapter for several years and also held the positions of Administrative and Corresponding Secretary. He most recently was a Territory Manager for the Raleigh-Durham area for H&H Representatives and previously worked for Bradford Sales of the Carolinas and Ferguson Enterprises.

Ira joined ASPE in 1995 as an Affiliate member and was a member of the Orange County and Los Angeles Chapters. He served as Administrative Secretary and Affiliate Liaison for the LA Chapter for several years. Ira most recently was a Sales Representative for Signature Sales in Southern California, and he also worked for Howard C. Fletcher Co., Anaco/Husky, and the Cast Iron Soil Pipe Institute (CISPI) during his long career in the plumbing industry.

Scott and Ira will both be missed by all who knew them.

### Nominations Are Open for the 2020 Specifier of the **Year Contest**

Are you a specifying boss? Do you look at a plumbing project and think of all the different ways you could streamline your configurations? Do your coworkers turn to you for advice on a faster specification process?

Zurn invites all ASPE members who excel at specification to participate in this year's Specifier of the Year contest. This annual contest recognizes an individual who uses technology to improve the specification process in his or her plumbing projects.

To apply, in 500 words or less explain why you're a specifying boss with ways you've cut time and steps or improved efficiencies using technology. Visit bit.ly/2ZLzO0S for more information and a link to the entry form. The deadline to apply is August 22, 2020.

The 2020 Specifier of the Year will win two tickets to a Las Vegas Raiders game at Allegiant Stadium.

### **New ASPE Members**

### **Alabama Chapter**

Cody Ray Morris Chase Payne, PE, LEED AP Carl Prather

### **Baltimore Chapter**

Ronnie Lee Rice

### **Boston Chapter**

Daniel Thomas Philbin

### **Central Florida Chapter**

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Bocephus Thomas, PE

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### Ryan Cefalu

Dallas/Ft. Worth Chapter Rami Fuad Masoud

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### Jake Jacobs

**Los Angeles Chapter** Soheila Bahadorinejad

Scott Steven Threw

### **Member at Large**

Steve N. Anderson

Jared Christensen

Vincent Joseph David Rousseau

### **Miami Chapter**

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### **Minnesota Chapter**

Jisell LeJude Howe

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### Magan Marie Whiddon **New Jersey Chapter**

Jagdish Singh Gill, PE, LEED AP James Thomas Miller, PE

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### ASPE Connect: One of the Best Things ASPE Has Done in Years

Since the launch of ASPE Connect—the hottest online community for plumbing industry professionals—thousands of plumbing engineers and designers from around the world have benefited from its shared knowledge and expertise on a daily basis. "The introduction of this forum has been one of the best things ASPE has done in years," says Michael Divens, CPD, a Senior Mechanical Designer with PDC Inc. Engineers in Anchorage.

Do you have a plumbing design question, or are you looking for career guidance? In our Open Forum, you can get quick answers and advice from numerous experts, often within minutes. ASPE Connect is free for ASPE members, so visit connect.aspe.org to start connecting today!

### ASPE Member's Company Is Named PM's Manufacturers Rep of the Year

Since its inception in 1934, Maloney & Curcio has held onto the tradition that the customer always comes first. Under the leadership of third-generation President Joe Curcio, a member of ASPE's New Jersey Chapter, the company is supported by loyal staff members whose dedication to their manufacturer clients, distributors/wholesalers, and installers has earned the Mountainside, New Jersey firm the title of *Plumbing & Mechanical*'s 2020 Manufacturers Rep of the Year. You can read more at bit.ly/2W1F9Ap. Our congratulations go to Joe and his team for their achievement.

### **ASPE Members Receive ASHRAE Awards**

ASHRAE recently recognized individuals for outstanding achievements and contributions to the heating, ventilation, air-conditioning, and refrigeration industry, and we are pleased to share that several ASPE members were included.

Ryan Pinckard, a member of ASPE's Portland Chapter, received the Lincoln Bouillon Award, which recognizes an ASHRAE member who performs the most outstanding work in increasing membership.

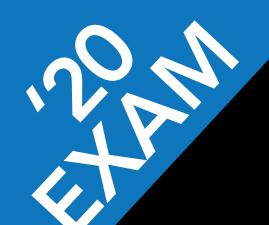
Bruce Flaniken, PE, a member of ASPE's Houston Chapter, received the Lou Flagg Historical Award, which recognizes an individual for preparing the most outstanding historical presentation related to HVAC&R.

George W. (Billy) Austin Jr., PE, CPD, a member of ASPE's Charlotte Chapter, received an Exceptional Service Award, which recognizes past ASHRAE Distinguished Service Award recipients who have continued to serve faithfully and with exemplary effort.

Congratulations Ryan, Bruce, and Billy!



SEPTEMBER 11-16 Ernest N. Morial Convention Center NEW ORLEANS



### Registration Closes October 8th

## CERTIFIED PLUMBING DESIGN TECHNICIAN

# REGISTRATION IS OPEN!

Exam Dates: **October 5 – 18, 2020** 

This year's exam is being held via remote proctor, so you can take it in the comfort of your home or office.

aspe.org/education-credentialing/cpdt