## 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 — Growing in Strength

The American Society of Plumbing Engineers is built on hours of dedication from our members and a great principle. Everyone should be applauded for the success of ASPE: Chapter members, Chapter Boards, Chapter leaders, Committee members, Committee Chairs, the Society Board of Directors, and Society Staff. It is inspiring to see that we all believe in our profession and that many have given so many hours of their time to this Society. ASPE has a great foundation based on a greater purpose than us as individuals.

The Society Board continues to strengthen ASPE. The Staff continues to represent ASPE in many roles in the industry as well as continuing to improve our operational efficiency. Even as we strengthen ASPE, ASPE's focus is relevance, more educational webinars, more for the employers, more publications, more code involvement, and more focused relationships. ASPE's focus is also to honor our members at all levels: our founders, our leaders, and the individuals who embody this Society's ideals.

Every month we hear of leaders and founders needing prayers and their families needing support as we as humankind can offer one another. I often reach out because it is important that our Society respects all that is offered by our members.

Every month I hear from a volunteer who is excited about some aspect of the Society. People are excited about ASPE Connect. People are excited about the Convention & Expo in New Orleans. People are excited about the new ASPE website. People are excited about Chapter events. Members are reaching out and volunteering. The Board is excited that we have excited members. We are strengthened by focusing on our membership and our intellectual property.

Last month I promised you an update on ASPE's legislative and technical activities. The Legislative Committee—headed by Co-Chairs Jose Francisco DeHoyos, CPD, and Cyril Unger, CPD, GPD, FASPE, and ASPE's Vice President, Legislative, Brianne Hall, PE, CPD, LEED AP BD+C, GGP—and the Technical & Research Committee—headed by Chair Steve Ziga, CPD, SET, CFPS, and ASPE's Vice President, Technical, Don Strickland, CPD, GPD, FASPE—continue to make great strides in their respective areas. Here are some highlights:

- » A Working Group consisting of Chair Christoph Lohr, PE, CPD, LEED AP BD+C, ASSE 6020, Joe Scott II, CPD, LEED AP, FASPE, Keith Bush, CPD, GPD, CSI, Peter Kraut, PE, and Ramiro Mata, ASPE's Sr. Director of Technical & Regulatory Affairs, is developing the framework for a new guide on Legionella control in plumbing systems.
- » Ramiro Mata and Brianne Hall participated on a stakeholder call with Los Angeles County regarding a proposal to require both potable water and disinfected tertiary recycled water to be provided for water closets and urinals.
- » Working Group 63, led by Bob Boulware, PE, is in the final stages of revising the ARCSA/ASPE Rainwater Catchment Systems standard.
- » Ramiro Mata provided comments to the Plumbing Manufacturers Advisory Council Canada on behalf of the Legislative Committee regarding proposed changes (PCF 1581 and PCF 1582) to the 2015 National Building Code of Canada.

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- » Ramiro Mata continues to serve on the PPI committee tasked with conducting research on proper pipe sizing for plastic pipes with current water-efficient flow rate and energy-efficiency requirements.
- » Ramiro Mata was invited to become a member of the newly created Plumbing Advisory Council to CSA Group.
- » Ramiro Mata also continues to participate on the following committees: ASME A112, ASSE 4000, ISO PC 316 U.S. Technical Advisory Group (TAG), ASTM F17, ASTM F15.03, and ASSE Product Standards Committee.
- » Volume 3 of ASPE's *Plumbing Engineering Design Handbook* (PEDH) was revised and distributed to members in good standing earlier this year.
- » A group of experts led by David Dexter, FNSPE, FASPE, CPD, CPI, LEED AP BD+C, PE, is working on an update to *Engineered Plumbing Design II*.
- » Dallas/Ft. Worth Chapter member Paul Baker, PE, CPD, GPD, has agreed to be the Technical Editor of the revision to PEDH Volume 4.

Please continue to strengthen this Society together. Keep in mind that we grow with the efforts of us all.

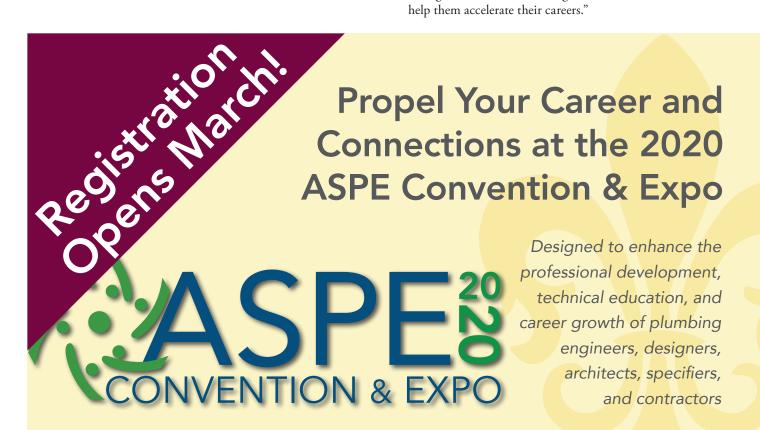
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Please contact me anytime as we grow this Society and our profession. Please contact me with your ideas and comments.

#### Zurn Industries Retains Its Sponsorship of AYP

We are pleased to announce that Zurn Industries, LLC has renewed its exclusive sponsorship of the ASPE Young Professionals (AYP) special-interest group. The partnership began in 2017, and since then, Zurn has been the title sponsor of AYP events at ASPE's national Convention & Expo and Tech Symposium.

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From the Executive's Desk William "Billy" Smith, FASPE ASPE Executive Director/CEO bsmith@aspe.org

Hello everyone. Well, here we are. It's already March, and things continue to stack up on our respective to-do lists. We are striving for efficiency, and likewise, I hope you are managing your list in an effective manner. A reminder here is to not allow the feeling of being overwhelmed to take over our lives—that would only diminish our ability to remain efficient in all of our duties. Stay focused, and check off one item at a time. Like the old saying goes, "Keep one foot in front of the other, one step at a time." Keep moving forward. If we are standing still, the appearance then can be that we are losing ground. Considering where we are in the calendar, that feeling could be the basis of "March madness," if you will.

That feeling from an ASPE standpoint is positive in that we as a Staff, alongside our Society Board of Directors, are working diligently in our preparations to bring about the most exciting plumbing industry biennial event known as the ASPE Convention & Expo, which this year will be held in New Orleans on September 11–16. Our full-time preparations, our continuous efforts, and our growing excitement will not end until the sound of the final buzzer has dissipated on September 16th.

This is what this time of year means to me, our Staff, and our members. It's simply a great time of year. I hope each of you is experiencing your own excitement in preparing to be with us in New Orleans in September.

By the time you are reading this column, I will have had the special opportunity to visit the Los Angeles Chapter and give a presentation honoring one of ASPE's treasured members. As you might know or remember, the founding process of ASPE began in early 1964 due to the efforts of many in the Los Angeles area. On April 8, 1964, the first organized meeting was held at the office of John Kerr Associates, with approximately 35 people in attendance, and John Kyzivat served as Acting President relative to running the meeting. After a lengthy session, a temporary interim committee was established, called the Charter Executive Committee, consisting of the following members: Donald Dickerson, PE, CPD, FASPE (President), Edward Saltzberg, PE, CPD, FPE, FASPE, FNAFE, Eugene Handel, Horace Yeh, Jess Donovan, Al Stromerson, and Herbert Berger. At that time, it was important to begin establishing a structure for moving forward. With the help of a local lawyer, Mr. Edward Saltzberg took on the task of developing bylaws and a slate of interim officers for moving forward with the American Society of Plumbing Engineers. Those officers were elected at a July 1, 1964 meeting, and then on September 18, 1964, the original meeting attendees reconvened and voted in the bylaws

and the original slate of officers. The American Society of Plumbing Engineers was officially registered and incorporated.

Too many times, we see so much attention being paid to who or what is No. 1. We are No. 1, I'm No. 1, you are No. 1. Really, is being No. 1 that important? Well, for the purpose of this column and expressing the importance of being No. 2, this is about how honored I was to be present and give a presentation to the Los Angeles Chapter relative to Mr. Edward Saltzberg, No. 2 in ASPE. I hear now and have heard for many years that ASPE members like to mention how low their membership number is, as if wearing a badge of honor, so to speak—like I've been part of ASPE longer than you, etc.

Well, the No. 2 here reflects being the second member of ASPE—period! You can't get much better than that. So, with this column, I'm personally offering my genuine thanks for all of the important work and desire for success from the beginning of ASPE to this date and many years to come due to those efforts by Mr. No. 2, better known as Edward W. Saltzberg, PE, CPD, FPE, FASPE, FNAFE.

To Mr. Saltzberg, it was my pleasure to be in attendance at the Los Angeles Chapter meeting, and to all who participated, thanks for giving your time for one of ASPE's treasures.

In closing, don't forget the focal point of this column: it's about Ed Saltzberg and a little March madness. With March madness, we are always focusing on the importance of being No. 1. However, with Mr. Saltzberg, we are focusing on the importance of being No. 2. Both are very exciting. Now, let me ask you this: What are you doing to bring about such excitement? Don't let the final buzzer sound with you still holding the ball in your hands.

Go ahead, take your shot!

I look forward to seeing you in New Orleans.





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